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# Fort Knights

## THE SHIRE OF CAER ADAMANT NEWSLETTER

*JUNE 2007*



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between two laurel wreaths a sword Or

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**Next Meeting:** The next Shire meeting will be 7pm, Thursday, June 21, at the Corbit Calloway Public Library in Odessa, DE.

## A Word from the Officers

### **From the Seneschal, Baroness Valentina Barrows:**

The May business meeting was attended by:

Taki Usagi, Grainne, Lewin, Valentina, Pdraig, Hedewigis, Tomaloc, Veronica, Eric, Hogge, Kael, Genevieve, Susanna, Mark IV, Sarah, Laurens

Everyone, please remember that there is an official Complaint Policy – if you have a problem on a local level, it should be addressed locally and only move to a higher level of the hierarchy if it cannot be resolved locally.

### **From the Exchequer, Lady Marietta da Firenze:**

Bank balance \$3,105.44; security deposits from the Cooking Thyng and Athena's Thimble events are still outstanding. The report for Spring Thyng has been filed.

### **From the Chatelaine, Lady Veronica Rosso:**

Several Shire members took part in the photo shoot for the Newark city publication, with the results viewable online at [www.wallflowerspress.com](http://www.wallflowerspress.com). The Mid-State Living magazine also wishes to do an article about us, and will be photographing at archery practice on 6/10 – attendees are requested to wear garb.

### **Demo Proposals:**

- 1 – Smyrna Middle School, Friday, June 1. Organized by Master Hogge, we will be participants in a school-organized activity, so minimal personnel are needed on our part.
- 2 – English Language Institute at University of Delaware, Sunday, July 15. Organized by Master Hogge, is planned to be a rather large affair – further details forthcoming.

### **From the Herald, Mark Vier:**

First official submission has been sent in, with several more in the works.

### **From the Knight Marshall, Lord Krey MacLeod:**

Fighter practices are being held in conjunction with archery practice on alternate Sundays at Pdraig's home. Potential outdoor locations are being investigated.

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

Regular activities are proceeding as scheduled. The Regalia Project is ongoing, with fabric for fighters' tabards donated by Sarah. (Thank you!)

### **From the Chronicler, Lady Susanna Lockheart:**

Nothing new.

## **From the Webminister, Wende Brown:**

The Who's Who pages are up online – more participation would be nice!

## **Highlights from the April Business Meeting**

### **Old Business**

#### **Dover Days Demo:**

A great day was had!

#### **Delcastle Demo:**

Another successful demo!

#### **Spring Thyng:**

The event went very well, with an estimated financial outcome in the black. The targets got rave reviews from all archers in attendance, and are receiving good press online as well, thanks to a YouTube video of the now-famous "Whack-A-Mole" target. The food was outstanding as well. Vivats to all involved!

#### **Red Hat Fall Frolic:**

September 30. Keep it on your calendars!

#### **Swamp Thyng:**

Staff is pretty well filled. A similar format to previous years is planned, with a potluck dinner Saturday night and dayboards Saturday and Sunday. A group activity is planned for Sunday.

#### **Meeting Location Fee:**

A collection was made to cover the fee for the meeting location.

### **New Business**

#### **Dance Practice:**

Genevieve is looking into organizing a dance & music practice night in the Dover area. Watch this space for more info to come.

## **Announcements:**

### **ELI Demo:**

Greetings Caer Adamant!

Please come celebrate my birthday this year by participating in the English Language Institute demo on Sunday, July 15.

We've just confirmed that we are allowed to have archery & thrown weapons, in addition to the already approved heavy combat.

I'd like to ask our archery & thrown weapons marshals, and our Knight-marshal to please hold your weekly practices that day at the demo. There is plenty of space, you will have an apt & interested audience, and we'll have food & drinks for you as well.

I'd also like to ask all shire members to please volunteer for the demo! We need displays & exhibitions of anything & everything, and you are all needed to provide "color" and to interact with the students from the ELI and UD. (We are expecting anywhere from 100-200 ELI students to attend.) Please contact me privately or on this list if you can help with A & S displays.

We also need pavilions & period-looking sunshades, to help create the atmosphere of a medieval fair. Merchants are welcome, too.

The ELI & I will be providing food & drink for everyone.

Currently we have scheduled 2 musical performances, a poetry reading, and a display of spinning. Lord Cydifor will be running the "Tavern-on-the-Green."

The ELI is located on W. Main St. (Rt. 273) in Newark. Free parking is available for the demo. Website: <http://www.udel.edu/eli/> We have access to the building & grounds for the entire weekend, so set-up can happen at our convenience.

And don't forget: it IS my birthday! Please come celebrate with me.

More details to come!

Master Hogge

Demo website:

<http://www.godecookery.com/party/elidemo07.html>

## Upcoming Events in the Southern Region:

### June 2007

6/1 - 6/3

[Bawdy Barony Tavern \*\*\\*\\*UPDATED\\*\\*\*\*](#)  
[Barony of Iron Bog](#) - Williamstown, NJ

6/2

[Champion's Quest \*\*\\*\\*UPDATED\\*\\*\*\*](#)  
[Barony of Carillion](#) - East Windsor, NJ

6/8 - 6/10



[Barren Sands War \*\*\\*\\*UPDATED\\*\\*\*\*](#)  
[Shire of Barren Sands](#) - Elmer, NJ

6/10

[Picnic on the Rhine \*\*\\*\\*UPDATED\\*\\*\*\*](#)  
[Canton of Northpass](#) - Croton-on-Hudson, NY

6/15 - 6/17

[Landsknecht Vereidigung](#)  
[Shire of Eisental](#) - Lehighton, PA

6/22 - 6/24



[King & Queen's Archery Championship \*\*\\*\\*UPDATED\\*\\*\*\*](#)  
[Barony of Settmour Swamp](#) - Lebanon Township, NJ

6/30

[Bhakail Baronial Championships and Commons](#)  
[Canton of Gleann nam Feòrag Dhuibhe](#) (incipient) - Gradyville, PA

### July 2007

7/1

[Toy's for Tot's Warlord Challenge/Demo](#)  
[Barony of Iron Bog](#) - Pemberton, NJ

7/6 - 7/8

Wolf Hunt - CANCELLED  
[Shire of Montevale](#) - Fulton, Franklin, Cumberland, PA

7/7

["Potted" Arms & "Fancy" Faire](#)  
[Canton of Hawk's Reach](#) (incipient) - Huntington, NY

7/20 - 7/22



[Southern Region War Camp \*\*\\*\\*UPDATED\\*\\*\*\*](#)  
[Shire of Eisental](#) - Lehighton, PA

### August 2007

8/31 - 9/3

[Swamp Thyng--May the Norse Be With You \*\*\\*\\*UPDATED\\*\\*\*\*](#)  
[Shire of Caer Adamant](#) - Middletown, DE

## Shire Activities

<b>June 2007:</b>	
3:	<p><b><u>Period Games</u></b>            1<sup>st</sup> 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&amp;S projects are welcomed as well as friendly social interaction. (Contact for directions.)</p> <p><b><u>Heavy Weapons Practice</u></b>            Noon – 5 pm, location TBA.            Rattan fighting, full armor. Contact Lord Krey McLeod for additional info (302)898-5911 or <a href="mailto:knightmarshal@caer-adamant.org">knightmarshal@caer-adamant.org</a></p>
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21:	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>** CANCELLED DUE TO CONFLICT WITH SHIRE MEETING **</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Trivial Thursday</u></b>          1<sup>st</sup> &amp; 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays each month          7:30 pm at Lord Tomaloc’s home, Bear, DE          This evening get together is open to all. Arts &amp; Sciences demonstrations are welcomed as well as friendly social interaction. Contact <a href="mailto:tomaloc@marshal.sca.org">tomaloc@marshal.sca.org</a> or (302) 750-2375.</p>
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## 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 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; it's 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 Padraig 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 Padraig 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.

### **Lord Jehan-Yves' and Teofilia's House**

Take your best route to Rt 113 South into Millsboro. At the traffic light with Rt 24 East, turn left. Turn right at the next traffic light (State St.). Travel one block (there will be a fire station on the left), turn right onto Morris St. It is the second house on the left.

Call (302) 249-7940 if you have a problem finding it.

### **Dover Public Library**

(45 N. State St., Dover, DE)

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.

### **Corbit Calloway Public Library**

(115 High St, Odessa, DE 19730)

From the North/I-95: Take the Stanton/Christiana exit 4A (Rt 1-S/Rt 7-S) towards Christiana/Mall Road and continue on Rt 1-S. Take the Rt 1-S/Rt 13-S exit towards Dover/Seashore Points. Take exit number 148 towards Rt 13/S. St. Georges (exit is off of the new St. Georges Bridge and you'll miss the toll!!!). Keep right and continue south on Rt 13-S for approximately 5 miles. Turn left on Rt 299/Main St. in Odessa and travel 3 blocks east. Turn left onto 2nd Street and travel 1 block north to High Street. The library will be diagonally across High Street to the right.

From Dover/South Delaware: Take Rt 1-N to the Odessa Exit (Exit #136). Turn right onto Rt 299 and travel 1/4 mile. Go through the two traffic lights, crossing Rt 13, and continue straight on Rt 299/Main St. (299 becomes Main St.) Go three blocks, and make the third left onto 2nd Street. Travel 1 block north to High Street. The library will be diagonally across High Street to the right.

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