



Calendar of Events

February

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4th	Kingdom Braidegames & Court	Walnut Creek Park (Austin, TX.)
16-19th	Spring War	Burnet County Fair Grounds

March

3rd	Quais	<i>Reserve Site</i>
15-17th	Coronation	Burnet County Fair Grounds

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LET IT BE KNOWN UNTO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENCE COME THAT THIS IS THE COURT OF THE CELESTIAL KINGDOM

Rex Sir Zephram MacLaren

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Regent Defender
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King's Guard
Sir Shadow
Squire Therresa
Squire Ballnor
Dom Perimone
Mouse

Regent's Guard
Lyceum Household Guard

Court Herald
Sir Rufus

Weaponsmaster
Sir Arthon

FIGHTING CLASS GUILDMASTERS

AntiPaladin - Sir Sylvas
Archers - Manacles
Assassins - Your Death
Barbarians - Stoney Rose
Bards - Wolfe
Druids - Athladane
Healers - Angel Fire
Circle of Steel - Morgorach

Monks - Squire Torin
Monsters - Stoney Rose
Paladins - Sir Micheal
Raeves - Sir Hulka
Scouts - Sir Arion
Warrior - Sir Imagg
Wizards - Wilhelm
Belted Circle - Sir Rufus

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Garbers - Squire Mika
Heraldry - Edmund
Literature - Sir Arion Reinquist

Minstrels - Mother Superior Grafs
Sages - Sir Rufus Grimwolf
Smiths - Duran

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A word or three from the badger staff

A new operating system, A new version of Corel, Several new pieces of hardware, another random excuse and the whole newsletter goes to HELL. Hopefully by next issue things will look a bit better.

Submissions

Any form is welcome, EXCEPT Mac and

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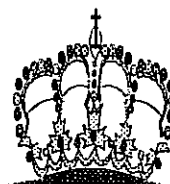
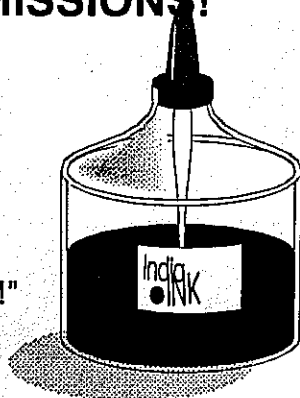
Mail is checked at least three times a week.

**THIS IS YOUR NEWSLETTER!
IT EXISTS FOR YOU!
PLEASE SEND IN YOUR
SUBMISSIONS!**

In Service to the Realm,

Sir Tholden Von Basilus

"Next time get a MAC!"



From the Crown

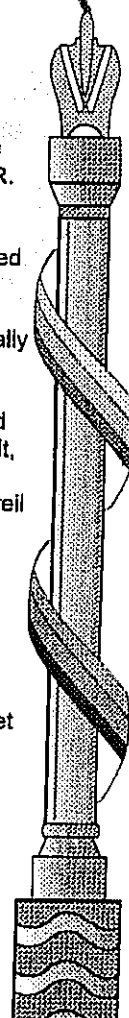
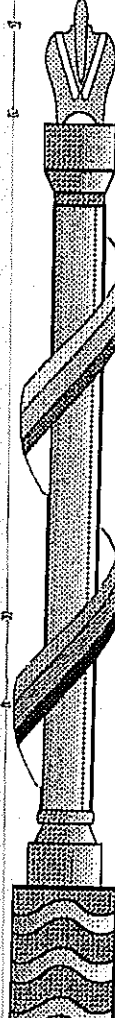
Hail and Salutations!

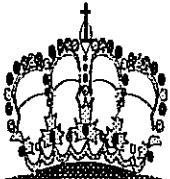
What a busy month it's been! Our preparations for war are going swimmingly - crash/camp sites are set, vans are reserved, and King Alaeric and I have hammered out most of the fine points of the WAR. Thanks to House Twin Rose for helping me coordinate this massive effort and a special pat-on-the-back to Dom Perimone for providing the fabric for the 24 uniform tabards a loyal band of garbers fashioned on October 14th!

Fantasy Faire in Kerrville was a success. Baron Raven was especially entertaining and really made the CK look good (we provided entertainment Saturday night when the 'professional' act bailed out). After dragging people from their beds Sunday morning, we managed to get 10 folks to pick up our 'Adopt-a-Highway' stretch. I must admit, however, that Duke Farlo and I were both a bit miffed that more Bifostians didn't care to join us. Thank you to Sir Arion and Lady Arell for providing crash space.

Weaponmaster was well worth attending (thanks to Father Thomas and Sir Shadow for putting Melinda and me up for the evenings). It was great to see such a turnout from all over the Kingdom (mega kudos to Dragon's Haven and Mordengaard, who had the longest journeys). Feast gear was handed out to the day's best fighters and there was much rejoicing - yea...Congrats to Sir Arthon for winning yet another war tourney.

Dragon's Haven's midreign was a sweet gathering as well. Between the 2 courts and the late-night brawling, there was something for everyone! (Congrats to Lady Morganna and Lord Greylin who, at the behest of all 3 local leaders, were granted their titles last weekend.)





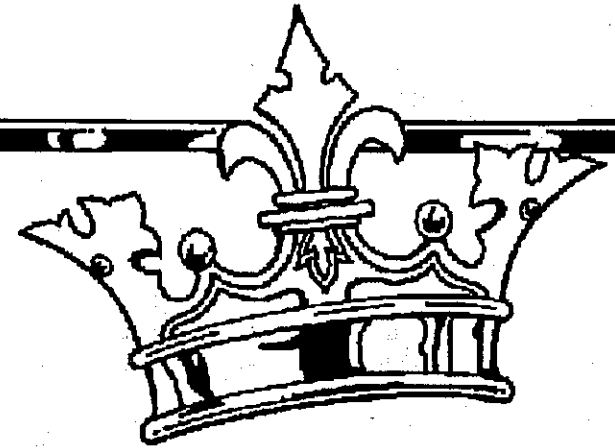
From The Crown

Enough of the past, now onto the future! The budget for Midreign is set and preparations are underway. Our non-profit paperwork has been sent in. Also, Matthew LeGrey and I sat down last week and wrote the quest (this is gonna' be a real hum-dinger, folks, complete with lots of combat, brainwork, and hostages to rescue). Relics will be awarded to questors and monsters, per tradition. All that's left to do now is get Enchanted Rock's park supervisor's approval (he seems pretty enthused) on the route Melinda and I chose...and away we go!

In closing, I wish to thank all of you who have helped with me with these projects up to this point. Your efforts will not be forgotten. I'm very excited (uh-oh) about the next 5 months. Now let's go to Dragonspine and kick some butt!

In Sovereignty & Camaraderie,

Zephram MacLaren, Rex Celestium

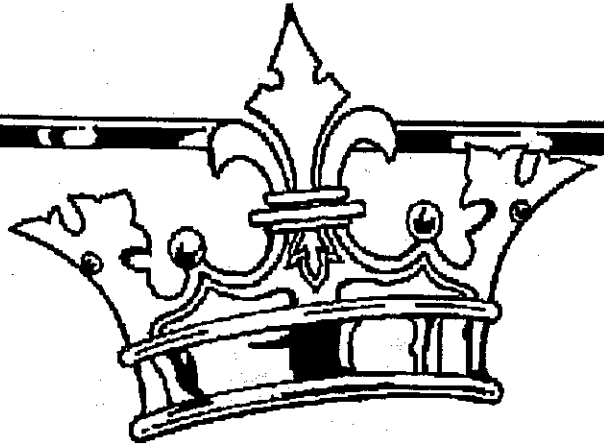


Unto the populace of the Celestial Kingdom,
Greetings,

I am Princess Jamethiel.

I will be your princess for the next six months. I intend to make my reign as eventful as possible. I and my guild masters have been discussing the best format to use to most effectively get information and demonstrations to you. Barring accidents and schedule conflicts, the guild master of the various arts and sciences guilds will be writing articles containing how-to information within their specialty. These articles will be placed in *THE STAR*, as it is the best way to ensure that the information is disseminated to the populace of the Celestial Kingdom. We are also currently looking into the best way to put on demonstrations for anyone who is interested in hands on learning. We will most likely chose a site in Austin, as it is the most centrally located area in our rather large kingdom. The date we are shooting for is Saturday December the 30th, so as not to conflict with Sunday fighting. We will get further information to you as soon as we have more. For those of you who want hands on instruction, but would be unable to attend our college, we will be available to teach at every event. Just look for my "court". I will be teaching embroidery to people who are interested.

There will be an arts and sciences competition at all the kingdom events (Midreign, Spring War, Coronation). I will posting a listing of all the categories for these competition. They will be the same for all events as well well as qualifications. I will have them soon so everyone has advance knowledge and can prepare. I will use different judges each time to assure that no one entrant receives a constant advantage in scoring and placing.



The kingdom level guild masters are making themselves belt favors with distinctive devices for their guild surmounted by the Celestial Kingdom's crescent moon and stars. This is so everyone will be able to spot them even if you don't know who they are.

I have chosen the following people to represent the Arts and Sciences guilds:

Sir Arion Reinquest	Literature
Sir Rufus Grimwolf	Sages
Sir Nightlynx	Art
Mother Superior Graiss	Minstrels
Lady Alara the Drake	Garbers

If you have any questions, please contact one of us. We are not just here to wear a title. We are here to serve. We have several resources at our disposal and they are yours for the asking.

About awards. Baron/ettes can give out awards up the 5th level, Duke/Duchess and their Regent can give out awards up the 7th level. This is both a privilege and a duty. Nobles, take care of your people. You know your own people and their work much better than I and my guild masters do. You have the opportunity to see them on a regular basis. Something that I don't have.

For those of you who can't give out awards, but see people who deserve them, go to their class Guildmaster, Regent, Baron/ess, Duke/Duchess or Kingdom Guildmaster. Make recommendations. If they can't give the awards they can contact me. But the local leaders need to take care of their own people. It's a privilege. Use it.

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Yours in service,
Princess Regent Jamethiel Kinorth,
The Dreamweaver

Kingdom

THE AMTGARD DUCHY OF TURRIS LUNAE AND THE TIGER CLAN PRESENT THE MID-REIGN OF KING ZEPHRAM MACLAREN ELEVENTH MONARCH OF THE CELESTIAL KINGDOM

January 19-22, Burnet County Fair Grounds, Burnet TX.

In addition to the usual 200+award filled Courts, all night Ditch battles, friendly merchants, and excessive carousing we have planned several other entertainments. There will be a Castle Battle in which each side will get a Castle to defend. There will be a children's mini-quest so that parents who bring youngsters to the site can sleep in a little on Saturday morning. There will be a savory feast of Gryphon Fajitas. Saturday morning sweet roll vendors will wander the site selling hot sweet rolls with the profits to benefit the National Wildlife Federation's "Save the Tiger" campaign. Perhaps the legendary "Circle of Death" will even take place. Finally, with Spring War just a month away preparations will be in full gear. This will be a chance to get together with your good or evil brethren and make plans. If weather becomes a problem we can retreat to the barn which can hold a couple hundred people and their stuff. Also there is a large heated room attached to the barn IF YOU KEEP THE DOOR CLOSED.

The Burnet County Fair Grounds are located in Burnet Texas about one mile south of the Intersection of US 281 and Tx 29. From San Antonio and points south take US 281 north until just inside the Burnet town limits then turn left into the fairgrounds. If you reach the intersection with Tx 29 then you've gone to far. From Austin and points east take US 183 north out of Austin, turn left on Tx 29 drive to Burnet, take a left on US 281 in Burnet drive about a mile and turn right into the fairgrounds. From Killeen and Points North Take US 190 west to US 281, turn left and take 281 south through Burnet and turn right into the fairgrounds about a mile past the intersection of US 281 and Tx 29. For an actual map email ches@io.com.

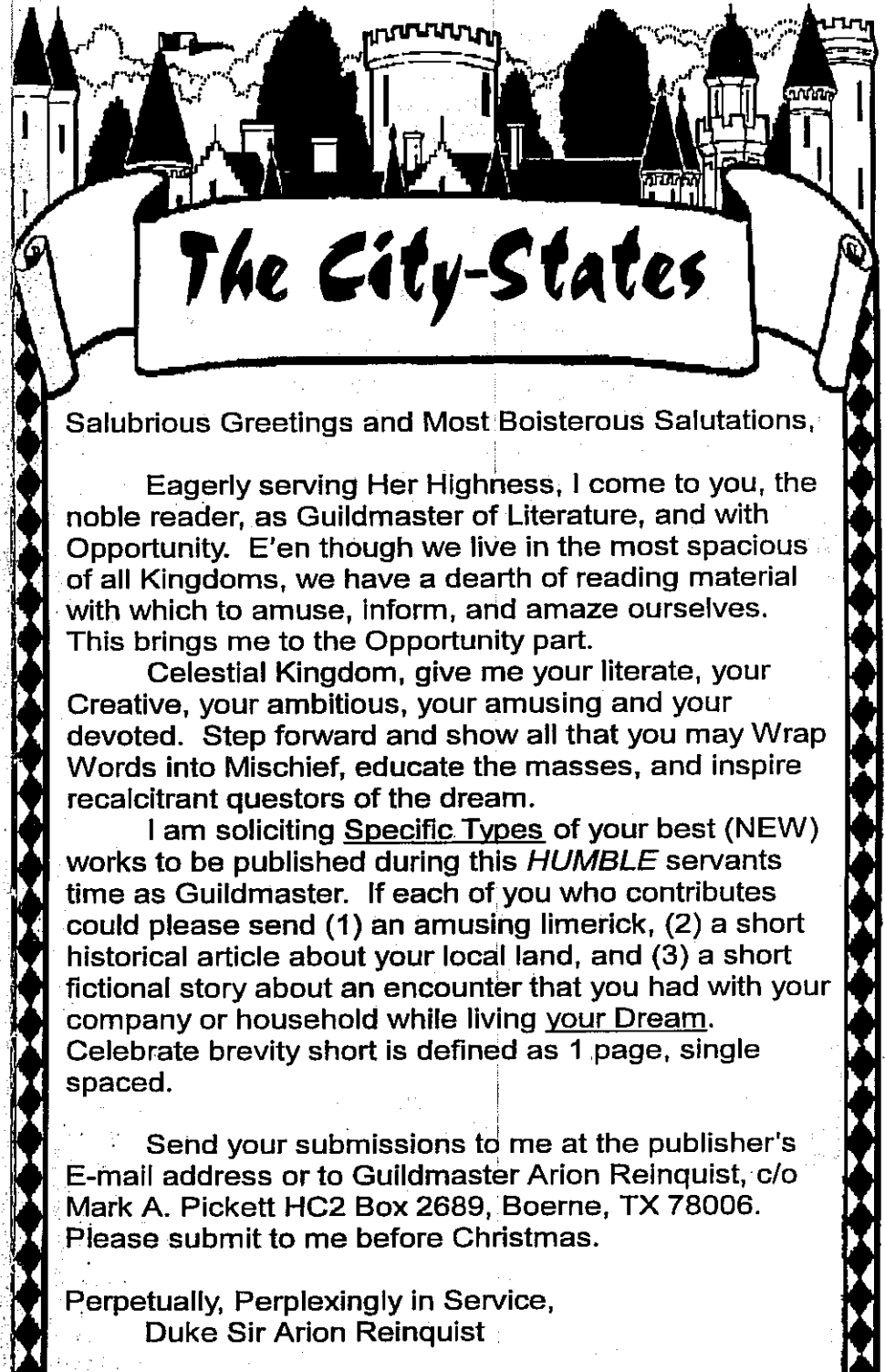
The site will be open from noon on Friday til two pm on Sunday. There will be a SEVEN (\$7) dollar site fee which will include camping and feast. After Court on Saturday night the Gate will be opened.

Kingdom

If anyone would like to help out on this event please call

Sir Shadow at 210-337-6933 and leave a message, name, and number where he can reach you.

If you are interested in and want to help with the children's quest please call Akara of Keinplatz at 210-337-2892. If anyone would like to help out in the kitchen please call Lord Squire Emanon at 210-822-4547.



The City-States

Salubrious Greetings and Most Boisterous Salutations,

Eagerly serving Her Highness, I come to you, the noble reader, as Guildmaster of Literature, and with Opportunity. E'en though we live in the most spacious of all Kingdoms, we have a dearth of reading material with which to amuse, inform, and amaze ourselves. This brings me to the Opportunity part.

Celestial Kingdom, give me your literate, your Creative, your ambitious, your amusing and your devoted. Step forward and show all that you may Wrap Words into Mischief, educate the masses, and inspire recalcitrant questors of the dream.

I am soliciting Specific Types of your best (NEW) works to be published during this *HUMBLE* servants time as Guildmaster. If each of you who contributes could please send (1) an amusing limerick, (2) a short historical article about your local land, and (3) a short fictional story about an encounter that you had with your company or household while living your Dream. Celebrate brevity short is defined as 1 page, single spaced.

Send your submissions to me at the publisher's E-mail address or to Guildmaster Arion Reinquist, c/o Mark A. Pickett HC2 Box 2689, Boerne, TX 78006. Please submit to me before Christmas.

Perpetually, Perplexingly in Service,
Duke Sir Arion Reinquist

Hear Ye Hear Ye, Come One, All
to the Entitlement of the
Legate of the Wetlands
Lake Somerville, TX
November 11,12,13
Host: Duchy of Mordengaard

The confederacy of the Wetlands is having an event to celebrate the election of their next Legate: Count Sir Fnord Farthing VIII. The Somerville site boasts a large field for battlegames, plenty of forested area to explore and a lake complete with a sandy beach. Open fires are allowed and glass containers should be kept to a minimum. Portable facilities will be on site but bring your own 'perishables'. It is also encouraged that event attendees bring plenty to eat and drink as there are few retail providers nearby. All inclusive fee at this point is \$6.00.

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Kingdom of the Emerald Hills Crown Coronation December 8-10, 1995

The Duchy of the Borderlands will be hosting the Winter 1995 Crown Coronation for the Kingdom of the Emerald Hills.

Where - Mother Neff State Park 30 miles southwest of Waco, Texas. A detailed map and park rules are printed on the reverse side of this flyer. All campsites are on a first come basis. If you would like to reserve a site for your company or group, please send a list of people and the weekend cost per person by November 15 (money orders only) to Lady Loreac (Carol Moreland), Rt. 1, Box 83, Mart, Texas 78664.

Cost - \$10.00 per person for the weekend. This includes camping fees for Friday and Saturday nights, and the Feast Saturday night. Firewood is also included as long as it lasts. If you don't want to worry about the hassle of bringing food and cooking it, our tavern will be open Friday night and Saturday with good food and reasonable prices.

Activities - Friday Night
Special Adventure
Tavern Open with food & drink(non-alcoholic) for sale until 10:00 p.m.
Saturday
Tavern Open 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.
Breakfast, coffee, and hot chocolate available until 11:00 a.m.
Sandwiches, snacks, coffee, and cold drinks available thereafter
Trench Wars, Battle Games, Juggling Tourney with prizes (sponsored by Altair)
Bazaar activities all day featuring the Viper Pit Casino at the Haunted Oak Village
Quest to begin at 3:00 p.m.
Saturday Night
Feast at 7:00 p.m. - Court after Feast - Informal Bardic after Court
Sunday
Cleanup Park - Checkout by 2:00 p.m.

In order for us to be fully prepared with food and firewood, please RSVP ASAP. It will also help a lot if you will tell us if you plan to utilize the Tavern. Carpool if you can to reduce the need for parking space.

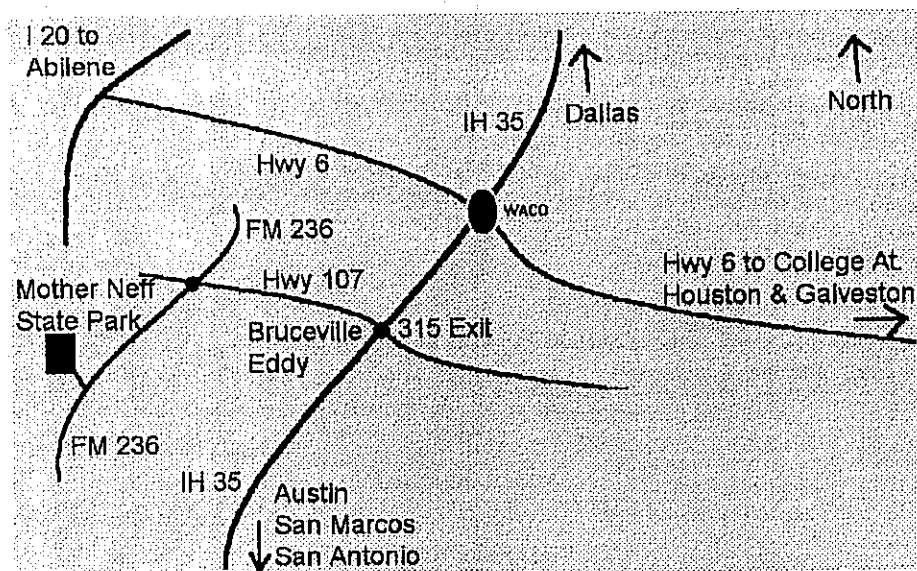
Park Rules

1. Alcohol must be in non-commercial containers (Mugs, Tankards, Cups, ect.).
2. Pets must be on a leash and proof of vaccination will be required by the Park Ranger.
3. No live steel
4. No fireworks
5. Fires in provided pits only.
6. We encourage you to provide your own camp security during the feast and court. We will be feed these people early along with your crown guard.

WE HAVE THE ENTIRE PARK RESERVED SO WE DO NOT HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THE USUAL QUIET TIME - NO MUNDANE!!!!!!

HOT SHOWERS & CLEAN RESTROOMS!!!!!!

If you have any questions,
Call Lorac (817) 876-3947
Regent, The Boarderlands



Calendar of Events

November

3rd-5th	Dragonspine War	Dragonspine Las Cruces, N.M.
4th	Burning Lands Quails	El Paso, TX.
10-12th	Wetlands Legate Entitlement	Summerville, TX.
11th	Barnes & Noble Demo	San Antonio
18th	Warrior Tourney & Court	Mordengard (College Station) Benefits Food Bank
18th	Burning Lands Coronation	El Paso, TX.
25th	Thanksgiving	Everywhere

December

3rd	Blackbow Wars & Kingdom Court	Bilrost (Kennerly)
8th-10th	Emerald Hills Coronation	Waco
30th	Arts & Sciences Symposium	SITE T.B.A. (Austin) <i>at</i>

January

5th-7th	Golden Plains Mid-Reign	Amarillo
12th	Arts & Sciences/War Symposium	St. Georges Church (Austin) THONTAUNIE
19-21th	Mid-Reign	Burnet County Fair Grounds
28th	Kingdom Quest	Tentative - Enchanted Rock