

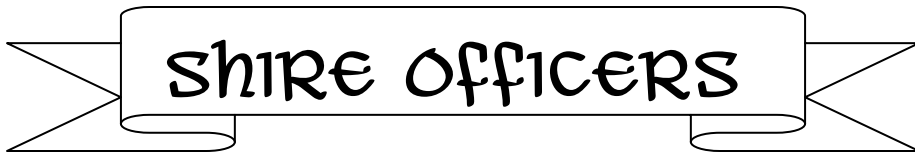
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Attention all patrons:

Submissions of original artwork, short stories, poems, and tidbits of information are always needed. Please send all your talents to the Chronicler!

Also, ye Seawinds Historian is in search of Shire History. If you have any old Sandscrips, Blackstars, event handouts or tokens, photo or stories to share, please contact prand@swbell.net or see Patty (Caitriona) at fighter practice. Your contribution to the history of Seawinds will be greatly appreciated.

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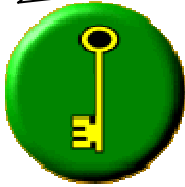
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Officer Reports



from the ospitaler...

Greetings Shire,

I am happy to announce I have a new deputy hospitaler. Lady Alix deBohun has accepted the job as Seawinds Deputy Hospitaler. I am thrilled to find this young lady excited about serving our fair shire. I anticipate great things from her. I am, with little effort I might add, preparing her to take over the shire hospitaler position. I found I must concentrate more time to my Deputy Kingdom Chirurgeon of Training position. The kingdom is in need of revised chirurgeon training manuals that reflect the steady change in the kingdom as well as in the chirurgeonate of the society.

I must commend all the unsung heroes of our last event, Laurel's Prize Tourney. There was several people that came and stepped up to the plate in time of need. Preparing and cleaning up at the end. Seawinds, I am proud of you all!

I must report, I grieve over the disbandment of one of our closest shires, La Marche Sauvage, mundanely know as McAllen, Texas. As I sat under the chirurgeon's tent at the last Crown tournament, it was announced by Master Modius during morning court. It is a loss of a once fine shire, that unfortunately had falling memberships and activity. I pray that Seawinds may never face the dwindling of this our community.

Something to keep in mind, we have several events coming up shortly along with our weekly fighter practice. I want to commission all the members of Seawinds as deputy hospitalers. Not one single person can introduce everyone to everyone else. If you see someone new, please introduce yourself and show them what kindness and chivalry is all about. The one thing I love about the SCA is how polite we treat each other. Please remember, you are not only representing yourself

but the shire you belong to. Keep an eye out for mundane local events we need to get involved in. Try to get a society membership. If you don't have a membership and want one, come see me. Invite a friend to a practice or A&S night. We all represent who the shire is today and will be in the future. And I gotta say Seawinds, WE LOOK GOOD!

In Service, I remain,

Lady Eleanora Elizabeth Caley (know simply as Caley)
Shire of Seawinds Hospitaler
Deputy Kingdom Chirurgeon of Training



From the Chronicler...

Unto the Great Shire of Seawinds,

It is with a sad heart that I bring this missive. My warrant as Seawinds Chronicler is coming close to an end. Officially, a new Chronicler must be chosen by December 1.

It has been a great two years of service for me, however I look forward to the change of position.

All interested in servicing their shire and their kingdom in the form of branch chronicler, please step forward now. You must be a paid SCA member. Ability with a computer and printing skills are much encouraged.

Please send all applications to the Coastal Regional Chronicler with copies to myself and to the Seawinds Seneschal.

If you have any questions about the position or how to apply, please email or call me.

In service,

Lady Apollonia de Avena

From the historian...

Last year our Shire celebrated 10 years of our Defender Tournament. (Actually it was really our 11th; in recent months it has come to light that we were missing a Defender) The first Seawinds Defender was held November 5-7, 1993 at Live Oak Park in Ingleside. Not much is known about this first Defender except the event was autocrated by John Lightfoot and Catliona Guilemohr and Iona Niall was feastocrat. It is believed that Patrick Michael was our first Defender.

Seawinds Defender II did not take place until July 25-28, 1996 again held at Live Oak Park in Ingleside. This event was autocrated by Willem Gerritz van Wye and our Defender is thought to be Alexis la Bouche. This is the event that was missing from the historian files, found when Stonewall and Pamella presented the Shire with some old paperwork. (Thanks!) Seawinds Defender became an annual event for our shire.

Seawinds Defender III was again held at Live Oak Park in Ingleside on November 7-9th, 1997. Your historian has no other information on this Defender.

The following year Seawinds Defender IV and Renaissance Festival was held at Texas Sky Festival Park on April 3-5, 1998. Autocrats were Eliboro Sanchez Del Mar and Diego de Valor. Feastocrast for the event were Gillian MacGuire and Guilianna Arentino. The Defenders for this year were Randall de Krieger—chivavlrlic, Henri de Garthier—rapier, Einar Wolfcoat—A&S, and Robin of Seawinds—bardic. It is not clear if A&S and bardic were considered Defenders at this time.

In 1999 Seawinds Defender V was held at Goliad State Park in Goliad on September 3-5. The event was autocrated by Symon Prophet and Dub Essa ni Briain. Octavia Alesandra de Medici and Guilianna Arentino were the feastocrats. Their Excellencies Stargate, Michael Silverhands and Neassa the Obstreperous presided over court. It is believed that Ulsted the Unsteady was our Defender that year.

Seawinds Defender VI was held at Sweeny Switch on December 15-17, 2000. This was the year of the huge bonfire and the bitter cold front that came through Saturday night. The event was autocrated by Marius Greyedge and feast was prepared by Temair inghean Bactain and Mikela of Kiev. Baroness Pashley Pehhaligon from La Marche Sauvage presided over court with our very own Baron Felix. Lawrence the Rampant of Rams Isle was our Defender this year and Katherine Clatworthy became our first Equestrian Defender.

The weekend of October 26-28, 2001 started a long tradition of hosting our Seawinds Defender Tournament the last weekend in October. Okay this year we got bumped to December, but next year we will be back on track. Seawinds Defender VII was held at Robb & Bessie Welder Park in Sinton. The autocrats were Reymond Henry Blackburn and Claudius Armenius. The feastocrats were Mary Bradford and Britania Bradford. Our court was presided over by Dore and Claire but I am not sure from where. Anyone remember? Our defenders were Evets von Drackenklause—chivalric, Kael?—rapier, Taelan?—bardic, Katherine Clatworthy—equestrian and I do not know who was A&S.

Seawinds Defender VIII/King's Lancer was scheduled to be held on October 25-27, 2002 at the Corpus Christi Abbey. But because of much rain and a tornado it was postponed until December 6-8 that year. The event was autocrated by Caitriona, Marguerite du Bois and Eiric MacGiollah Mhartain. Mary Bradford prepared the feast. HE Randall der Krieger and HE Meghann der Krieger presided over court. Our defenders for that year were: Evets von Drackenklau—chivalric, Jean-Paul de Calmont—rapier, Caitriona—A&S, Brianna of Seawinds—Equestrian and I am not sure who won bardic.

Defender IX/String of Pearls I was once again held at Robb & Bessie Welder Park on October 24-26, 2003. Caley of Lancashire was autocrat and Apollonia was our feastocrat. We had a royal presence that year with HRM Cateau d'Ardennes presiding over court. Defenders were Evets von Drackenklau—chivalric, Ansgar von Aachen—rapier, Henri de Garthier—bardic, Brianna of Seawinds—equestrian, Imari of Seawinds—A&S and Henri Hibou du Bois our first archery defender.

On October 22-24, 2004 at Robb & Bessie Welder Park we held Seawinds Defender X/String of Pearls II. Apollonia de Avena was autocrat and feast was prepared by Caley of Lancashire, Marguerite du Bois, Apollonia de Avena and Caitriona inghean Mhic Lochlainn. Once again court was presided over by HRH and soon to be Queen, Cateau d'Ardennes. . Defenders for that year were Michael of Graves End—chivalric, Padrag Logan—rapier, Olaf Hasting—A&S, Lorraine Fraiser—equestrian, Jason Blackwolfe—bardic and Feargus Cochrane--archery.

Last year's Defender XI was held on October 28-30, 2005 at Live Oak Park where it all began. Jayme Dominguez de Valle was autocrat and Apollonia de Avena once again prepared the feast. We celebrated this as our 10th Defender, so we were a year behind! Duke Ulsted the Unsteady and Duchess Cateau d'Ardennes presided over court. Our current defenders are Ulsted the Unsteady—chivalric, Brian Mac Cael—rapier, John Lightfoot—A&S, Jean-Paul de Calmont—archery, Madog of Glastonbury—bardic, equestrian was not held at this event.

As you can tell there are some holes in the history of our Defender Tournaments. I ask that anyone who has anything to add to the long history of this Seawinds event to contact me. As always, stories, mementos or photos from these events or any other shire happening are most welcome.

In humble service,
Caitriona
Shire of Seawinds Historian





From the Minister...

Greetings from A&S

After a wonderful showing of Seawinds artisans at Laurel's Prize, exciting things are beginning to happen, namely interest in guilds. Many have expressed interest in starting or joining guilds and several have had meetings of interest.

- to make and aid folk in sewing garb for themselves and others, and other items that may be needed by the shire. Lady Alix has been coordinating this effort.

- to make and aid folk in the correct making and wearing of armor.

- exchanging recipes and ideas for making cordials, mead, beer, wine, etc., some to be sampled by the shire (if we're very nice to them). Lady Catriona has been coordinating this guild.

- our famous Lady Apollonia is asking for those interested in sharing and learning to make period recipes. She is also working on a period cook book.

- open to anyone interested in the fiber arts (weaving, spinning, knitting, crocheting, luceting, braiding, embroidering). There are several looms and other items you will be able to borrow and learn with. Instructions will be provided. I am coordinating this guild at present and we meet at John Lightfoot's.

Our next all-day A&S will be at Hilltop Community center on Oct. 18. The subject will be hand illumination by Lady Iona. I hope some of you saw her beautiful work at Laurel's Prize. Please plan to attend.

Joann the Spinner



from the erald...

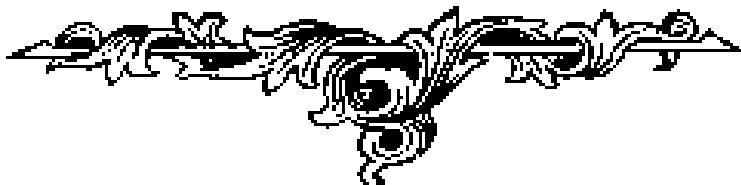
Thrown out of court! Woe to the Herald!

No matter what manner of bestowing honors culminates to such a tragic occurrence, it remains a most embarrassing turn of events. And just as violence breeds violence, so does embarrassment breed embarrassment. It all begins with a Spartan's lack of briefing. Then a fully pledged threat. A fumbling occurs, just as those who sit on high have well planned. One must recover quickly, thus creating another fumble. And as one fumble leads to another, eventually, the thing is done. And now that one finds well the opportunity to revel in ones honors which have been awarded. Where is my court report and the Baron and Baroness' signature?

To future generations of Heralds I leave this philosophical advice. Always let them see you with a smile. It is only embarrassing if it is perceived as such buy the populace. The Baron and Baroness. The Zodiacus Herald and the Sable Scribe, (who receive the court reports). Who the heck am I kidding? It's just plain embarrassing. Just bite the bullet and look like you can handle it. After all, would the school yard bully take such laborious efforts to get to you? Of course not. Only some one who really cares would even consider going to such extremes.

Thank you all,

Lord Dan the Artisan of Sawcliff
Herald of Seawinds



Nostradamus: Then and Now

Nearly five centuries after the death of Michel de Nostradame, his prophecies weigh heavier now than in his own lifetime, such he did predict. However Nostradamus' prophecies are all so vague that they can be construed to mean almost anything. He did not start writing these prophetic quatrains until after the death of his first wife and two sons in 1555. Below are two examples, one of which was predicted in his own lifetime and another post-diction in ours.

**I -35 (1555) *Le Lyon ieune, le vieux surmontera,
En champ bellique par singuliere duelle,
Dans cage d'or les yeux luy creuera,
Deux classes vne, pour mourir mort cruelle.***

**“The young lion will overcome the older one,
in a field of combat in single fight:
He will pierce his eyes in their golden cage;
two wounds in one, then he dies a cruel death.”**

This no doubt refers to the death of Roi Henri II, killed in a jousting accident in 1559. On the day of his daughters wedding, the king jousted against Count Montgomery, both of whose shield emblem was a lion. Also the king was 6 years older than the count. The queen and whole court, including Nostradamus himself, warned the king not to joust that day as it was not uncommon for knights to be killed in the deadly sport. No less, Lord Montgomery's lance splintered to pierced the golden royal helmet into the kings eye and throat. Both wounds contracted to the brain, Henri II died 11 days later.

**VI -97 (1556) *Cinq & quarante degrez ciel bruslera,
Feu approcher de la grand cité neuue,
Instant grand flamme esparsse sautera,
Quand on voudra des Normans faire preuue,***

**“At forty-five degrees the sky will burn,
Fire to approach the great new city:
In an instant a great scattered flame will leap up,
When one will want to demand proof of the Normans.”**

Some say this one foreshadows September 11th, New York State is on the 45th latitude. We all know the details of smoke filling the sky, but the Normans were not involved. However Normandy is in northern France and the French have been disfavored by some Americans afterward. The name of Nostradamus did flood the internet searches on September 12th. This is called a “post” diction, a disaster attributed to Nostradamus' *after* the fact. Above all, if anyone believes anything prophesized September 11th, where were they September 10th?

**Hogue, John. *Nostradamus: The Complete Prophecies.*
Element Books Ltd. Boston :1997**

D. Cyrus Mallison

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Latin Trivia

Our language is so full of words from various localities, and even blended from these localities, that sometimes the origin of a word can be illusive even when the answer is right in your face. Take for example, the word “trivia” (actually two words ran together from the Latin language). *Tri*, meaning three, and *via*, meaning way, route, or road. Apparently many intersections along Roman roads were three way intersections, thereby (tri via). Along these intersections were what we now would call “road signs” which contained a considerable amount of information. Somehow along the way of time these information signs were remembered, the road forgotten, and the two words ran together until (trivia) now means information.

Also, just as a priest and a shaman have always been employed to bridge the span between our world and the next, The Romans somehow associated this likeness in spanning the distance of a gap with a bridge. It seems that only priests were used as bridge architects, and they were called Pontifex, or Pontifex, (unsure of spelling) by the Romans. When the Papacy was established, the high priest of the new Christian church was given the same name in short which is the Pontiff.

Next month:

Mad Maximus in “The Woad Warriors”.

You can pick this one up Wayland.

Dan the Artisan



Seawinds Defender

December 1-3, 2006

Duval County Park Benavides, Texas



Compete as many contests as ye doth so desire! Or bare witness unto them all, one after another, from a single gallery. Enjoy a complimentary feast throughout the entirety of the day as fine foods and drink are served unto the gallery, and even unto the contestant's pavilion. Secondary lyst fields shall be provided for casual (non-tournament) combating in the four martial categories. Participants are asked to pre-register for their competitions with a formal letter of intent. All are encouraged to be represented by their own personal herald.

and judged by populace

Friday Night Hospitality Table

Friday and Saturday Night Revelry

Merchants welcome

Youth Boffer

Take your best route to George West.
Take 281 south to Alice approx. 40mi.
Exit 359/ 44 W to San Diego approx. 7mi.
Turn left on to 359 to Benavides approx. 17mi.
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The site is on the right hand side of the road
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Site opens 5 pm on Friday;
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- Alcohol in period containers only

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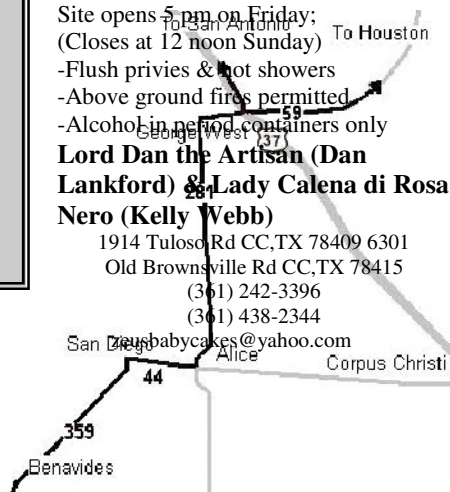
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Cheese Wafers
Meat Pasties
Ember Day Tarts
Lemonade
Onion and Leek Sops
Bread with Honey Butter
Mock Mead
Braised Beef with Cameline Sauce
Roasted Chyckens with Orange Rosewater Sauce
Blancmange of Shellfysshe (Shrimp and Rice)
Roasted Root Vegetables (Carrots, Parsnips, and Turnips)
Buttered Worts (Various Greens)
Spiced Apple Cider

Pears in Confection
Baked Rice Pudding Stuffed Apples
Mock Ypocras (Spiced Dessert Wine)

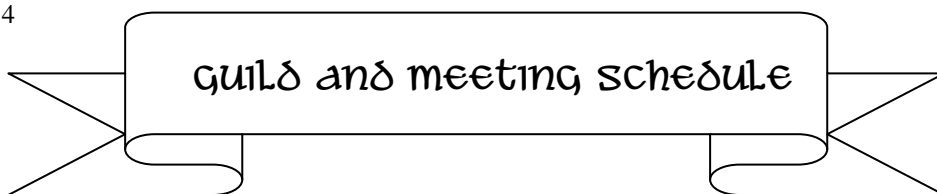
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Visit www.seawinds.org for more information

**Officer's Meetings:**

Officer's meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month at 6:00 pm, place to be announced. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Populace Meetings:

Populace meetings are held on the Tuesday following Officer's Meetings at 7:00 pm at the Helicopter park on Shoreline Boulevard. Everyone is encouraged to attend in garb.

Fighter Practice:

Tuesdays at 6:00 pm at the Helicopter park on Shoreline Boulevard.

Arts and Sciences General Meetings:

Held second Wednesdays and Fourth Thursdays at Hilltop Community Center in Callalen. Once a month, there will be an all-day gathering. Contact Joann the Spinner: davenjo@davlin.net

Equestrian Guild:

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Herbal and Cooking Guild:

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[Tourney by the Loch](#) - Loch Soilleir (Clear Lake , TX)



[Bad Girls of History](#) - Brad Leah (Wichita Falls, Tx)

13-15



[Namron Protectorate](#) - Namron (Norman , OK)
PED

[Drachenstich](#) - Gate's Edge (North Houston, Tx)
[Quest for the Round Table](#) - Tir Medoin (Temple, Tx)

20-22



[Legacy of Lions/30th Anniversary](#) - Bjornsborg (San Antonio, TX) *PED*
[Battle of the Pines XXII](#) - Graywood (Lufkin, TX)

27-29

[Samhain Celebration](#) - Eldern Hills (Lawton/Ft. Sill, OK) *PED*

November 2006 (A.S. XLI)

3-5



Battle of Three Kings - Rosenfeld (Tyler, TX)



[A Day in Ireland](#) - Trelac (San Angelo, Tx)
Demonstration (4th and 5th): Austin Celtic Festival (If Interested, Contact [Liaison](#))

10-12



[Defenders of the Rose](#) - Shadowlands and Emerald Keep (College Station and Waco, Tx)
Fair of the Harvest - Chemin Noir (Bartlesville, OK)

17-19



[Bordermarch Autumn Melees](#) (16th-20th)
- Bordermarch (Beaumont, Tx) *PED*

24-26

Out of Kingdom: [Knowne World Costuming Symposium](#) (24th - 28th) - Northshield

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