

MoonLite

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The off-month supplement of *The Moonstone*

Province Notes

From the Seneschal: Bids are due at kingdom January 1 for King and Queens Equestrian Championship and King and Queens Champion of Arms. If you think you'd like to run one of these here in Malagentia, please contact Master Christian and Lady Tiernan with your proposal and they can help you submit it to kingdom.

The first year of the current terms is almost over. Officers who have not got deputies yet should get them. The current offices do not have deputies: chronicler, exchequer, chatelaine.

The word of the month is *masticate*.

From the Chancellor Minor: Youth fighting is suspended until the weather warms up again. In the meantime, Lady Thalia is looking for ideas to get the kids together over the winter months. If you think of something that you feel your kids would enjoy, please contact Thalia by email or Facebook.

There can never be too many Youth Officers in a group. The process to become a registered youth officer is easy and painless and provides a great service to Malagentia and the East. If you'd like to get the process started, contact Thalia.

From the Mistress of the Lists: Authorization forms have changed. If you haven't already been contacted by Lady Wynefryd, let her know and she can get copies of the forms to you. The biggest change with the new forms is that a MoL must sign off on the forms before they are sent in. Wynefryd is not usually at winter practice, but she can be if arrangements are made in advance.

From the Captain of Archers: The Gorham range has closed until spring. The Waterboro range will continue to have practice until the targets freeze. Keep an eye on the Yahoo Group for dates and times.

From the Minister of Fence: Practice is Tuesdays from 6 to 9 at the Sullivan Gym on the USM Portland campus. There is also a non-SCA HEMA practice on Sundays in

Brunswick. HEMA is non-armored cut and thrust. If you would like to check it out, contact Baroness Mylissant or HEMA Maine for times and locations.

From the Exchequer: We has money! The budget meeting is Saturday, December 13 at 1ish at Lady. Tiernan's in Naples. Officers need to contact Tiernan about any budget requests they might have for the coming year. Please note that unspent budget money does not roll over to the following year. If you are not at the budget meeting to plead your case, you will be assigned the default amount.

From the Quartermaster: Boxes for tents for storage are underway! They will be wood and have wheels and there will be much rejoicing.

From the Web Minister: We has website! Many thanks to the Kingdom Web Ministers for working so hard to figure out what was wrong.

Some interesting stats for the various social media outlets used by the Province:

Yahoo had nine new members in 2014 and about 40 old long-bouncing users have been removed in December 2014. The Yahoo group started in 1998. The busiest month was September 2007 with 259 messages recorded. The longest subscribed user is Ivan.

The Facebook group was started in 2012 and added about 110 new users in 2014.

For November 2014, a Facebook query showed there were 53 posts, 145 comments and 279 Likes. There are 375 members, 8 of which were new in the month. For the same month, Yahoo has 27 messages and 253 members, 1 of which was new in the month. 138 people prefer to receive individual emails from the Yahoo group, while 72 prefer the Daily Digest. 33 members do not receive emails and prefer to use a web-only interface.

From the Herald: No new heraldry has passed for Malagentians in the last month.

All East Kingdom wiki pages were

Malagentian Mayhem

Congratulations to **Sarah of the House of Thirteen Oaks**, who is expecting her first child around GNEW.

Welcome to newcomers **Darlyn** and **Erik** in Ravensbridge. 🐾

Did you know...

Malagentia means "The Land of the Bad People". According to Maine Public Broadcasting's timeline of Maine history, in 1524, Giovanni da Verrazzano explored the coast of Maine. While he encountered very friendly natives near Rhode Island, Maine's natives were less welcoming. They greeted Verrazzano's men from the height of a cliff, and refused to approach the shore. When they were finished trading, Verrazzano writes that they "showed their buttocks and laughed immoderately". In other words, they mooned the Europeans.

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redone after the crash, so the links from the Malagentian heraldry page may not be working correctly. Lady Muirenn and Lord Conall are working to correct this, but if you should find a broken link, please let them know.

Now is a great time to get your heraldry submitted. If you would like to work on your name and device, please contact Lady Muirenn. Bonus points if you can do a Captain Peacock impersonation.

From the Minister of Arts and Sciences:

Dance class was haunted by a possessed elevator. If you dare brave the horrors of the Ghost of Otis, come join us for a fun evening of dance, the second Thursday of the month at the big white church (First Parish Congregational) at the top of the hill on 114 as you are headed out of the center of Gorham.

Music practice is Thursdays, weather permitting and as announced. Contact Mistress Mickel for time and location.

Scribal workshops will start up after the holidays. Contact Lord Alexandre for more information.

Springs Inspirations is rumored to return this spring. If you can't wait, contact Doña Camille to get involved in the organization.

On Sundays at the Big House on Brighton, the Malagentian Bards are prepping for a traditional English Mummers play to be held at Winter Feast. If you would like to participate in the play, or just help get costumes and props ready, contact Lord Frederick via the Bards of Malagentia Facebook page.

The Fiber Guild will be holding new workshops and meet ups in January. They are hoping to have two per month in the Portland area. People interested in weaving, spinning, knitting, embroidery, and the like are encouraged to bring their projects and come play. Watch the Malagentian Facebook page for dates and times.

From the Chatelaine: No demos are scheduled for the near future but hoping to work out something with the USM Blade Society for some on campus recruitment.

Lady Odelina is looking for a deputy that will be interested in replacing her when her current term is up at the end of 2015. Please contact her if you have an interest.

From the Chronicler: With the website back up, PDFs of the most recent Moonstones and MoonLites will be available shortly. Deadline for the Winter Moonstone is January 5. All officers need to get in their end of year reports. If you need help getting something written, please don't hesitate to contact Lady Christiana and we can work out a way to get your article into the Scribe-In-A-Box.

The overall theme of the Winter Moonstone is Service. As always, we are accepting articles on all topics. I'd love to have articles on how to run a list or how to submit an event bid or ways that new people can get involved.

Giggleswick

The Giggleswick polling to leave incipient status ended on December 13.

The Business Meeting is December 17 at the church in Eliot.

Giggleswick Practices are on holiday break until January. The **January Practice Schedule** (barring sudden church needs) is Jan 9, 16, and 30. There is no practice January 23 because of Birka.

Ravensbridge

At the December 16 meeting, there was a polling roster circulated and signed for the name and device paperwork.

Baron Kyppyn is hosting a **Newcomer Class** on Monday, January 12, 2015 at 7:30pm at 96 School Street Gardiner, ME.

The next **Ravensbridge Business Meeting** will be January 20 at Peppers Garden & Grill in Winthrop, Maine.

Other Business

Winter Feast is happening on January 10. See the event announcement of the Winter Feast Facebook page for details. Space is limited. Get your reservations in today!

East Kingdom 12th Night and Bellringers is January 17 in the Barony of Carillion.

A Market Day at Birka is the following weekend, January 23-24 in the Barony of Stonemarch. If you would like to aid our neighbors to the west to run this huge event, please see the Birka website for the various contacts.



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Winter Feast

This year's feast is based on a traditional, English Twelfth Night revel, complete with a Lord of Misrule! Space is limited. Registration is strongly encouraged.

January 10 from 3:30 to 9:30 pm
at Allen Avenue Unitarian Universalist Church

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MARKET DAY
AT BIRKA
January 23-24
in the
Barony of
Stonemarche

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