

MoonLite

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The off-month supplement of *The Moonstone*

Province Notes

From the Seneschal: Work continues on the Provincial Honors project with further discussion at the end of the meeting. This month's word is Brabble, which means to argue loudly on matters of no importance.

From the Minister of Arts and Sciences:

Bardic Brunch is taking a month off, but long range planning for GNEW and beyond is starting to wind up. The next Bardic Brunch is March 19 in Portland. Bring a dish to share as well as any ideas you would like to explore. Contact Frederick for directions.

Craft Night at Freegate in Waterboro is the first and third Wednesdays of the month. Join them for food, cats, and project help. Contact Max or Mickel for directions.

DiSonatas Medieval Musical Ensemble meets in Portland on the third Thursday from 7 to 9. Contact Mickel for directions.

Ren Dance now has two nights! Get your dance on the second Thursday and the fourth Wednesday every month at the Congregationalist Church in Gorham from 7 pm to 9 pm. Predance show starts at Gorham House of Pizza at 6, if you'd like to get something to eat and visit for a bit. The last dance practice saw a lot of the martial community out on the dance floor and much fun was had by all.

Scribal & Crafts is the fourth Thursday of the month and is also at the Congregationalist Church in Gorham from 6:30 pm to 9 pm. Pregame at GHOP at 5:30 pm. Since the space is so large and the scribes don't need much, there is plenty of room for portable projects. Most recently, combat archery arrows were being made.

From the Captain of Archers: The archers are waiting for the targets to thaw and the snowbanks to drop. There is an archery marshal meeting in March. Deormund has purchased a crossbow for

loaner gear and there is bolt making in progress to go with it.

From the Chatelaine: There is a Scottish Highlander event coming up in OOB on June 3 which has the potential to be a great place to run a demo if enough volunteers can be wrangled. Volunteers will also be needed for the annual Port Con Demo on June 25. The Balloon Festival in Auburn is scheduled for August 18-20 (Free camping!). Anyone interested in helping with the medieval village should contact Sigrid.

From the Chancellor Minor: The yoots are in hiding for the winter. If you have ideas for youth activities, please contact Thalia.

From the Chronicler: Newsletters arrive periodically. Old newsletters will continue to be processed and put up on the Website. There is a Moonstone planned for Spring.

From the Exchequer: The Province has positive numbers in the bank at this time. No imaginary math for us! Winter Feast brought in a profit of \$694. The Ravensbridge silent auction brought in \$447 and they now have \$2477.42 in their accounts. Giggleswick currently has \$1300 in their accounts and could use a good fundraiser or two. If you'd like to help Giggleswick out, please contact Molly with your ideas.

From the Rapier Minster: Rapier practice is every Tuesday from 6 pm to 9 pm at the USM Portland campus in the Sullivan Gym, unless it snows. Giggleswick practice is every other Friday from 8:30 pm to 10:30 pm through February, but in March will return to weekly practices from
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Malagentian Mayhem

Congratulations go to **Lady Adrienne d'Evreus** for her elevation to the Order of the Maunche at Birka.

Also at Birka, **THLord Richard Crowe** was made a Companion of the Order of the Silver Crescent.

The following names, devices and badges have been accepted by the College of Heralds:

Adrienne d'Evreus, new device: Azure, a fleur-de-lys argent and a bordure gules.

Alexandre Saint Pierre, badge: (Fieldless) In saltire a key Or and a quill pen argent.

Úlfeifr Artudóttir, name.

Local results from the Birka heavy list: **Richard Crowe** (3), **Byson** (30), **Titus Claudius Silvanus** (54), **Matthew MacGyver** (66), **Nicol Mac Donnachaidh** (68), **Edward de Bosco** (77)



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7:30 pm to 9:30 pm. There is new loaner gear available for folks who want to give Rapier a try. Also on the schedule are two Central Region Rapier practices for folks who want to get in more time in a bigger pool.

From the Herald: Two names and two badges have passed with more in the pipeline. If you have an interest in registering your name and device, contact Nicholas. The cost of registering names and devices is \$9 each and there is new paperwork being used as of last year. If you have any old paperwork that you haven't sent in yet, please check with a herald to make sure yours is up to date.

From the Knight Marshall: Fighting happens on Tuesdays from 6 pm to 9 pm at the Sullivan Gym on the USM Portland campus, unless there is snow closures. A large contingent of fighters represented Malagentia at Birka this year and our Knight Marshall, Richard Crowe, came in third for the day. There has been a call to make Malagentian tabards for new fighters at GNEW. If you have an interest in helping out with this project, please contact Crowe.

From the Mistress of the Lists: If you need a check on when your authorization expires or are missing paperwork, please contact Tiernan. Deputy MOL, Baroness Elice, is at fighter practice every other week for authorizations and paperwork processing. Our own Baroness Mylisant is moving up to Kingdom MOL, so the Northern Region MOL position currently has a vacancy. If you are interested in taking on a Kingdom position, contact Mylisant.

From the Quartermaster: Province gear saw use at Winter Feast, but the decorations are still missing. If you have them (or any other gear that you know belongs to Malagentia), please let Speedbump know so he can make a note of it.

From the Web Minister: We still have a website and are currently working on porting the GNEW website to kingdom servers. GNEWWar.org has been renewed for the next 3 years. At the March Province meeting there will be a presentation about accessing EK webmail, for those of you that have an EK address.

Other Business

The State of Maine recently voted to legalize marijuana use. To clarify what this means for us, marijuana use is allowed only in private residences, and not at event sites like campgrounds. This policy will be enforced at all events in Malagentia and we appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

Old Business

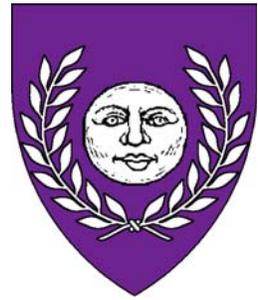
A redesign of the **Provincial Honors** badges has been done. The new badges could all pass if they were registered, although there is no plan to do this at this time. All the new badges have a moon in them, but none of the awards are named. The descriptions of the awards have been modified slightly. See the Provincial Honors Proposal on page 3 for more details.

A **vote** will be held at the March Meeting on this matter, unless there are objections. *Chronicler's Note - a question was raised about changing "activity" to "activity or activities". It was pointed out that the language is intentionally vague so that the awards can be played with as future generations deem necessary. The wording was changed to clarify.*

An online Honors nomination form has been created and can be found at <https://goo.gl/forms/CffMtRasmu9e0aq23>

New Business

A **declaration of war** with Stonemarche over Giggleswick was made at the Baronial Court at Birka, and a scroll outlining the grievances has been presented to the Seneschal. Wynefryd has responded to this letter. To read this correspondence and judge for yourself the accusations laid at our door, see page 5.



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For the latest goings on in Malagentia this month, please visit our website <http://malagentia.eastkingdom.org>

Volunteers Needed!

These upcoming demos need fighters, artisans, and enthusiastic people to show the public what the SCA is all about.

June 3 - Scottish Highland Festival in OOB

June 25 - Port Con Demo in South Portland

August 18-20 - Balloon Festival in Auburn

Contact Thalia for details

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Provincial Honors Proposal

As presented at the February 2, 2017 business meeting.

The following are proposed descriptions and badges for Malagentian Provincial Honors. The badge designs are such that could be registered with the college of heralds at some point in the future. They are heraldically valid designs and appear free of conflict with existing badges and devices.

At present, we are *not* suggesting registrable names, as registering names is very difficult.

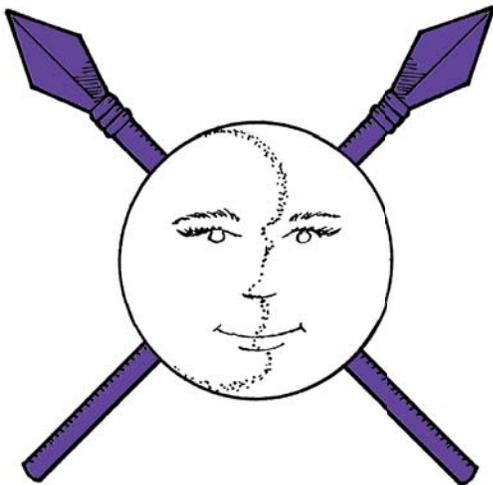
Recommendations, Decisions & Bestowal:

Any person may recommend a person to receive a Malagentian Honor. To do so, that person would complete the online form or communicate that recommendation to any officer of the Province. The recommendation would then be brought to the full complement of officers, whatever that is at the time. They can then discuss the merits of the recommendation based on the definition of the honor.

A vote of the officers should then be taken. A simple majority of affirmative votes shall be sufficient to qualify the candidate for the honor recommended. The officers, or those specifically tasked in accordance to the needs of the award in question, shall make whatever arrangements are necessary to bestow the honor at a positive and convenient time and place.

Martial

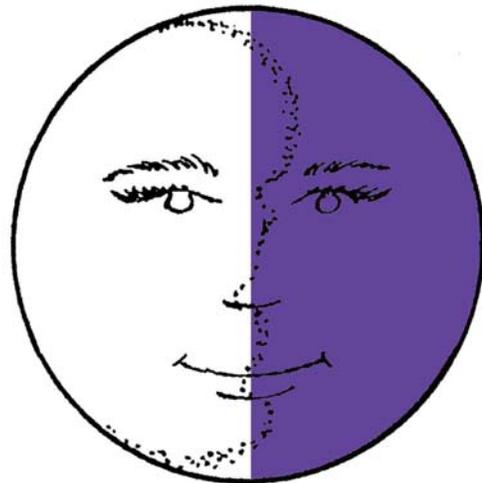
Given for contributions to and/or chivalrous displays in the martial activities worthy of attention.



Blazon: *(Fieldless) In saltire two spears purple and overall a moon in her plenitude argent.*

Service

Given for services or labors worthy of attention.



Blazon: *(Fieldless) A moon in her plenitude per pale argent and purple.*

Courtesy

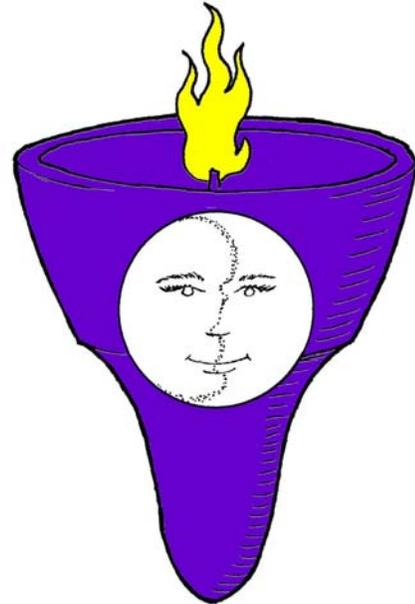
Given for any actions or activities that display a level of personal generosity worthy of attention.



Blazon: *(Fieldless) On a tankard purpure a moon in her plenitude argent.*

Arts & Sciences

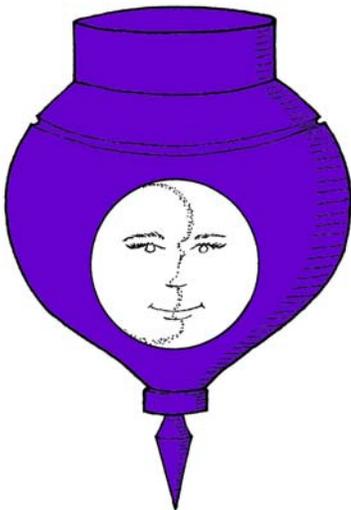
Given for efforts in the Arts or Sciences worthy of attention.



Blazon: *(Fieldless) On a lamp purpure enflamed Or a moon in her plenitude argent.*

Youth

Given for efforts and/or deeds by a youth worthy of attention.



Blazon: *(Fieldless) On a toy top purpure a moon in her plenitude argent.*

A Letter

From Their Excellencies Stonemarche to the Seneschal of Malagentia

Unto Lady Wynefryd Bredhers, Seneschal of the Province of Malagentia come greetings from Dorio and Jocelyn, Baron and Baronessa Stonemarche.

In the summer of year twenty-nine, Their Majesties Timothy and Gabrielle, then King and Queen of the East, in moderating a border dispute between the Barony of Stonemarche and the Province of Malagentia over the region known as Giggleswick, did establish that the Land, with all mineral, hunting, and fishing rights, save those reserved by the Crown, should be held by Malagentia, but that the inhabitants of said land should be under the protection and authority of Stonemarche. Since that day, the Baron and Baroness of Stonemarche have, by this decree, borne, among their other titles that of Protectors of the People of Giggleswick.

Over the years, this land became the Riding of Giglgeswick, attached to Malagentia, and the Province has in the intervening years, exerted an increasing amount of control over the people and their

actions. Those dwelling in the riding have been seeking and moving toward further autonomy, discussing independence from both Malagentia and Stonemarche that



they might create of Giggleswick a Shire with self governance and the status that that entails.

We Dorio and Jocelyn, having observed the will of the people and their

laudable efforts, do not find issue with this and, in fact, embrace and support their desire. Rumors have reached our ears that there are those high in the councils of Malagentia who are in opposition to such a move and who would thwart their efforts. We, being the Protectors of the People of Giggleswick, and herein responding to their fears and pleas, do hereby give notice that, unless guarantees can be made that their efforts will be respected and not influenced through threat or subterfuge, and that these guarantees can be demonstrated by the first week of July of the coming year, we shall be forced to gather our armies and meet Malagentia once more on the Field of Honor lest we forswear our solemn vow.

In witness whereof have we caused these letters to be scribed and have hereupon placed our sign manual at the Market Day at Birka in Stonemarche upon this Saint Valerius' Day, being on the Gregorian calendar the twenty-eighth day of January, anno societatis fifty-one.

From the Seneschal of Malagentia to Their Excellencies Stonemarche

A Response to the Declaration of War

Esteemed Excellencies Dorio of the Oaks, and Jocelyn del Espada, Baron and Baronessa of Stonemarche, our Great and Noble neighbors to the south. May this missive find you well.

Even as I write this, I regret the delay these words have taken in reaching you. You see, the Lands of Malagentia are vast and rugged. The Winter Witch has cast her spell over our fertile fields and soaring mountains, our rocky shores and teeming lakes. A blanket of ice and snow has settled upon us, slowing travel within our lands. Travel is a great danger when even beast and fowl slumber. When tree and tuber sleep throughout the long dark of night. I send these words hence with all practical haste.

Having ventured South this past week, the witch granting brief respite, to revel in your bounteous Barony, I broke fast with his Gracious Highness, Prince

Ioannes, and her Highness, our Fair Princess Honig, She, who was once of our Great Malagentia. I strolled the wide and colorful marketplaces with our Just King Brion, and his Glorious Queen Anna.

We passed much time admiring the fine wares your merchants had provided. All this and more I did, but sadly did not speak with either of you. Imagine my dismay, when upon returning to my duties and homeland, I hear that one of my deputies, the Seneschal of the Fearsome Riding of Ravensbridge, bore a message from you both. How odd, I thought. Wherefore was I not made aware that my presence was requested in your court that day?

My mind is troubled that I must have been just outside your doors, yet no word reached my ear. I trust that perhaps, it is because I am so new that you did not know my face. Perhaps, you did not reckon with my youth in a position of such weight, so

no word reached my ear. In some manner passing understanding, both of my trusted deputies had been welcomed before your Excellency's. Yet no word reached my ear.

I can only surmise that whispered barbs flew the halls of Birka. That traitorous plans were hatched behind my back. That it was never Your intention that I meet you face to face. Your intention that no poisoned word reach my ear. Nor for me to see the greed in your eyes as you tried to snatch our lands from us.

Perhaps in your avarice you believe that I would simply abandon the lands known as Giggleswick and those Malagentians that call it home. Perhaps you think that the Wise King Timothy and Fierce Queen Gabriella of glorious memory, were mistaken all those many years ago. Perhaps you think that Malagentia - Land

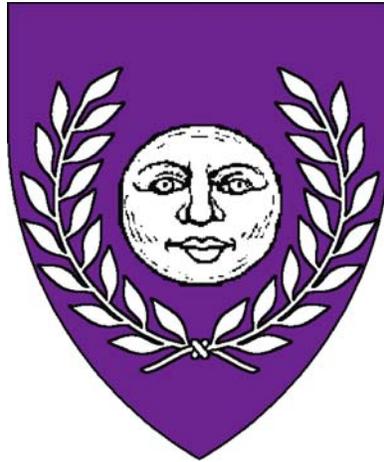
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of the Bad People - does not deserve the good people of Giggleswick to be counted among them. I would counsel that it is wise to be careful what you wish for. I would also say that you are fools to think that we would lie back and let you savage those lands.

I maintain these lands by the grace and sufferance of the King and Queen. These are their lands as we have no Baron. We have lived in peace for a generation. We have shared our riches, our skills, our resources and our hearts with the people of Giggleswick. They have grown and prospered. Under our care, they have known joy and prosperity.

You state, and I rightly concur, that they are well on their way to independence. We would not have you swoop in at

the eleventh hour and deny them that accomplishment. We will not see you take



all their hard work for your own. We will meet you on the field of battle - again. Your armies will be driven from Malagentia on

the 8th day of July - a day you will rue till the end of your days. Prepare yourselves, to face the chastisements of the unjust, for we have allies and friends, our reach is long, and our hearts are wide.

I send you this reply by means of magic and sorcery, for our talented scribes are far too busy with most worthy tasks to waste quill and ink on such a letter as this.

Regrettably,
Lady Wynefryd Bredthers
Seneschal of
the Great Province of Malagentia

Post Scriptum: My Good Husband, Lord Samuel Peter Bump, eagerly awaits this war, for it has been many a year he has desired to set your Seneschal, a gentle known as Lord William Ravenhair, in the sights of his crossbow on the field of battle.

War has been declared!

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Once again, Malagentia goes to war with Stonemarche over the lands of Giggleswick. Rally your forces, make ready your armor and prepare for a weekend of fun and excitement! Anyone who can lend a hand, whether for the weekend or just for an hour, should contact Event Stewards Baroness Molly Schofield and THLord Erik Oxnahals.

