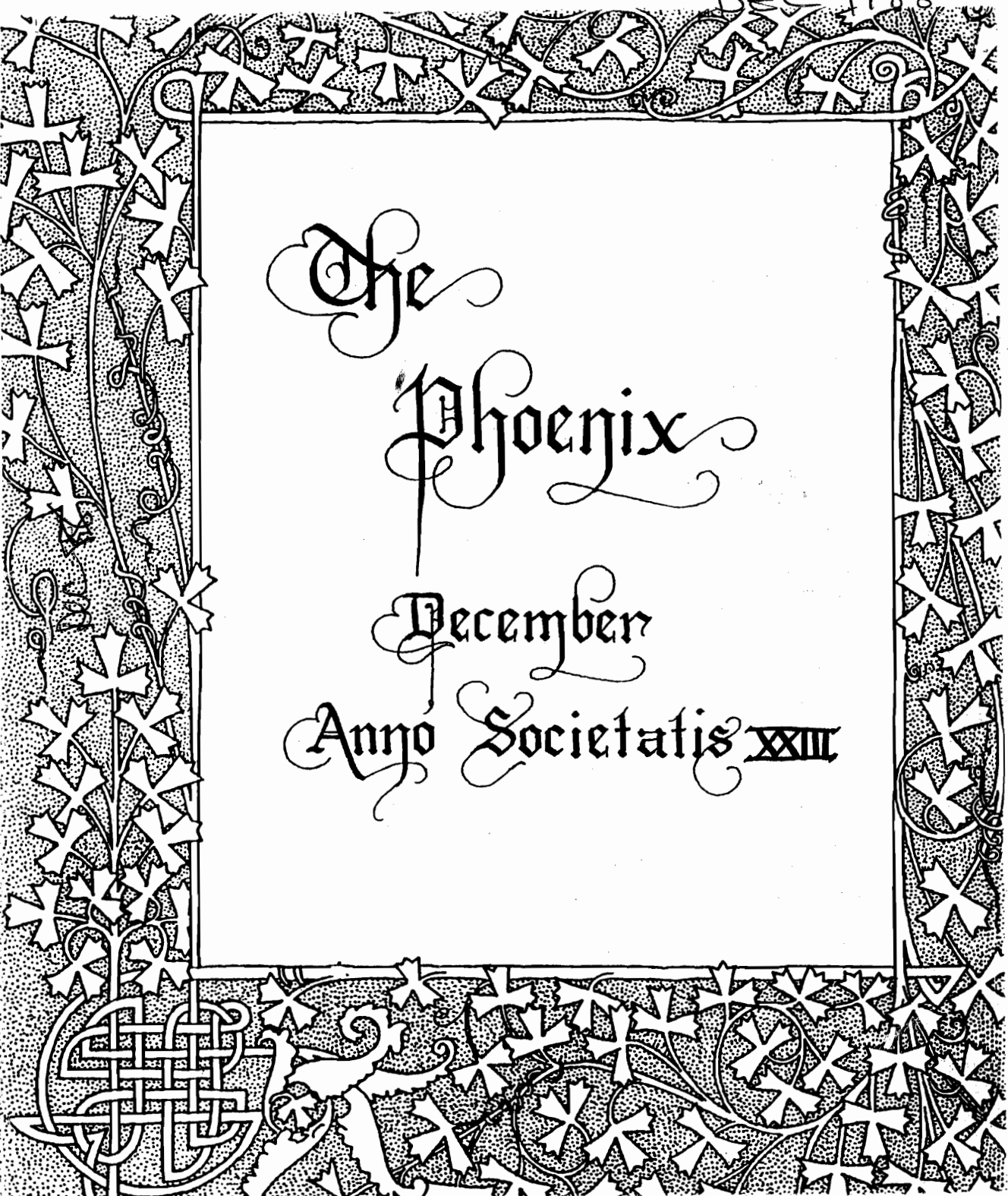


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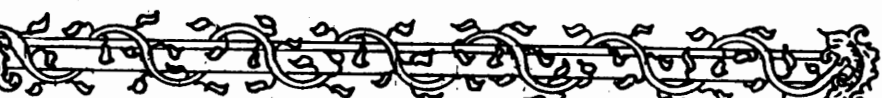
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Merry Christmas!					G	

A = CHRISTMAS BAQUET AND REVEL, 12-3-89, Contact Lord Timothy John of Silveroak (209) 323-9439.

B = BARONIAL COUNCIL MEETING, 12-7-89, Contact Pete or Dawn Themins (209) 222-8036.

C = REVEL!, 12-10-89, Contact Liam of Reislign (209) 264-3346

D = ARCHER'S MEETING, 12-12-89, Contact Pete Bentarrow (209) 222-8036.

E = BLOOD DRIVE, 12-17-89, Contact Alree Niamh of the Bells (209) 268-7859.

F = REISLINGSHIRE MEETING, 12-20-88, Inside the Round Table Pizza Parlor on the corner of Ashlan and Marks at 7:00 pm.. Call Reslignshire Seneshal for more information.

G = ARMORERS GUILD Contact Lord Stephen Pembroke Trahern for information. (209) 252-8257.

**GREETINGS FROM THE CHRONICLER**

Hi everybody! My name is Sigrlin Ravnsdottir, gosh, Lady Sigrlin Ravnsdottir. I'm better known as Seryana and I am the new Chronicler for the Barony of Nordwache. The Phoenix is jam packed full of information this month and I love it. In future additions, when I get some more space, I will print more artwork and frills. The Phoenix is a very important newsletter because it is here that you will find out what is going on in the barony and here where people can read about what you want them to be aware of. So if you have some news, are a poet, or an artist and want to share your talents with all of us, I beg of you submit! submit! submit! (Wow, what an ego. Now I know what Genghis Kahn felt like.)

The DEADLINE for Phoenix submissions is the 15TH of the month BEFORE the month you want your article to be published. I hope to hear from you.

I will warn you two months before your submission has run out. If someone you know wants a subscription, please have them send their SCA name, name, mailing address, and phone number and a \$7.00 check (12 monthly issues) made out to:

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Thank you for the submissions that you have already sent me. Subscribe! subscribe! subscribe! (O.K. I'll be quiet.)

Sincerely,

Lady Sigrlin Ravnsdottir

**THANK YOU**

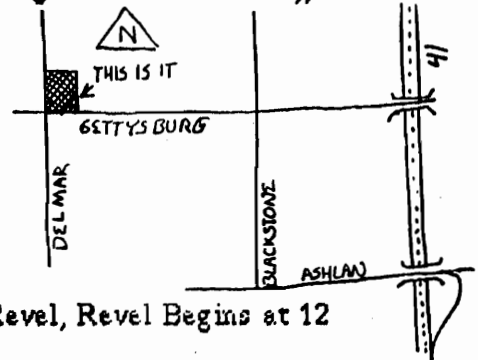
I would like to personally thank Gwenivere (Ginny Morgan) for the strikingly beautiful new banner which she presented to the Barony of Nordwache. If you haven't seen it, please do. You won't be disappointed.

**G**reetings: from Lord Liam of Reisling Historian of Nordwache.

I wish to extend an invitation to all. The purpose of which is a Revel to be held in order to benefit the newly created office of Historian. It should be apparent that with the passing of each event our history is slowly being lost and forgotten. I mean to appeal to you one and all for help to save our heritage. So please set aside the tenth day of December AS XXIII for this good cause.

The evenings activities will include:

- 1.) A Bardic circle ( Bring your instrument or a Bard)
- 2.) Videos (Pensic VI, Wintermist I, Duke Paul training films (Maybe))
- 3.) An Auction (Bring something to sell (monies go to Historian fund))
- 4.) Prizes
  - a. Best historical account (True story)
  - b. Win, Loose or Draw (SCA Themes)
  - c. Bobbing ??
  - d. Suprise game (come find out)
  - e. Door prize



Necessary information:

Date: 12 / 10 / 88

Time: Pre Revel, Revel Begins at 6:P.M (Post Revel, Revel Begins at 12 Midnight

Place: 4610 N. Del Mar, Reisling (Fresno)

The Home of Peter Bentarrow & Cara Leigh

(Pete & Dawn Themins)



Cost: \$3.00 Per Person (This includes House Beverages)

What to bring:

- 1.) The affair is formal so please wear garb
- 2.) Memorabilia: Photos, Film, Videos, Anything that will be of historical interest and that can be copied or that you will trust with the office.
- 3.) Something to donate for the Auction (Anything of good to marginal taste)
- 4.) Money (Good for bidding, This is a good opportunity to do some Christmas shopping.)
- 5.) A friend (Please if you bring a mundane let us know ahead of time or supply them with GARB)
- 6.) This Flyer which has a good map and the address of the Revel.

This event is being autocrated by the Historian, Lord Liam of Reisling

Billy Mercer  
Ph ~~264-3346~~  
264-3346



**TO THE ARCHERS  
OF  
NORDWACHE  
12/88**

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Nordwache Anniversary was plagued with wild bears. They decided on a bear hunt with 12 brave archers to rid off these feared beasts of the forest. The bear hunt was won by Liam of Reisling, with Pegasus Grimlove of Driebergen

coming in a close second. Congratulations to Liam and all of the brave archers for a job well done.

At this time I would like to invite all interested parties to a meeting of the archers on Dec. 12, at 7:00 p.m.

at 4610 N. Del Mar,  
Fresno, CA.

We will be discussing possible locations and times for archery practice. Other topics will include establishing a new range and helping archery grow stronger as an event in the SCA

by getting ideas from you on how we may be able to spark more interest within the SCA, as well as the mundane world. Your interest & support would be much appreciated. I am looking forward to seeing you.

If you have any questions, feel free to call me.

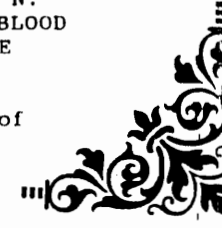

Yours Truly;  
Peter  
Bentarrow  
Captain of Archers  
Nordwache  
Phone: 222-8036

**TO LIVE AND LET BLOOD**

During the Christmas season, the Central California Blood Bank is in great need of blood. It is once again time for the Barony of Nordwache help out by giving blood. In keeping with this giving spirit:

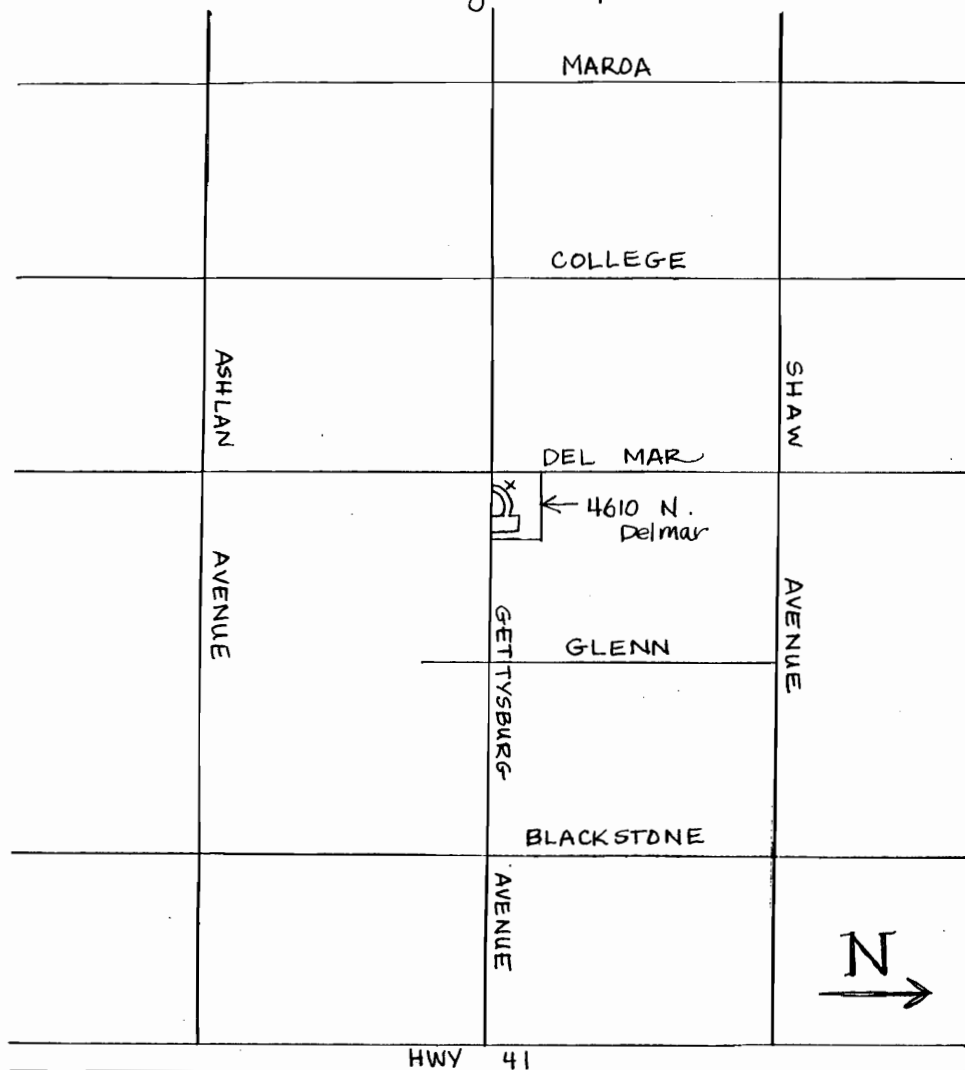
ON DECEMBER 17TH AT 10:00 A.M. THERE WILL BE A BLOOD LETTING AT THE CENTRAL VALLEY BLOOD BANK IN FRESNO (3445 N. FIRST ST.) PLEASE WEAR GARB AND EVEN IF YOU CAN'T GIVE BLOOD PLEASE SHOW UP TO LEND SUPPORT. THE FRESNO BEE SHOULD BE THERE TOO.

If you have any questions, please call Alree Niamh of the Bells (Valerie Fox-Armes) at (209) 268-7859.



**ATTENTION!! THE BARONIAL COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE HELD THIS MONTH (DECEMBER 7TH) AT PETE BENTARROW'S HOUSE. THERE IS PARKING ON THE STREET IN FRONT OF THE HOUSE. YOU MAY WANT TO BRING SOME LAWN CHAIRS WITH YOU. (SEE MAP BELOW)**

MAP to the Baronial Council Meeting (7:00 pm) 12-7  
Revel (6:00 pm) 12-10  
Archer's Meeting (7:00 pm) 12-12



**Hail the Golden Age!**

Baron Joseph of Nordwache has dedicated a day of celebration in honor of their Majesties Guy and Darla, the 22nd monarchs of Caid. Owing to our recent prosperity, the Barony of Nordwache has had the oldest Bastille in the realm re-established as a hall of Thanksgiving to commemorate this Golden Age of Caid.

Please join the Barony of Nordwache honor their Majesties on the Third of December at 6:00 p.m. for a banquet and revel in the Baronial Canton of Mylrune (Hanford).

**Schedule of Events**

- 6:00p.m. Site Opens
- 6:45p.m. Grand March  
(Dinner to follow)
- 8:00p.m. Court of King Guy  
and Queen Darla  
(Revel to follow)

Also there will be a full bar on premissis

- \* Restaurant/Motel maps available on site or by mail (SASE to autocrat)
- \* Limited crash space available
- \* Any business or presentations for their majesties are to be received by the autocrat by Nov. 27th

Banquet \$8.00 (Revel incl.)  
Revel Only \$3.00 (Site Fee)  
Menu will include

- Roast Turkey Legs
- Baked Ham
- Seasoned Stuffing
- Sliced Potatoes with Herbs
- Zucchini with Tomatoes and Onions
- Corn with Green Beans
- Fresh Rolls
- Pumpkin Tarts

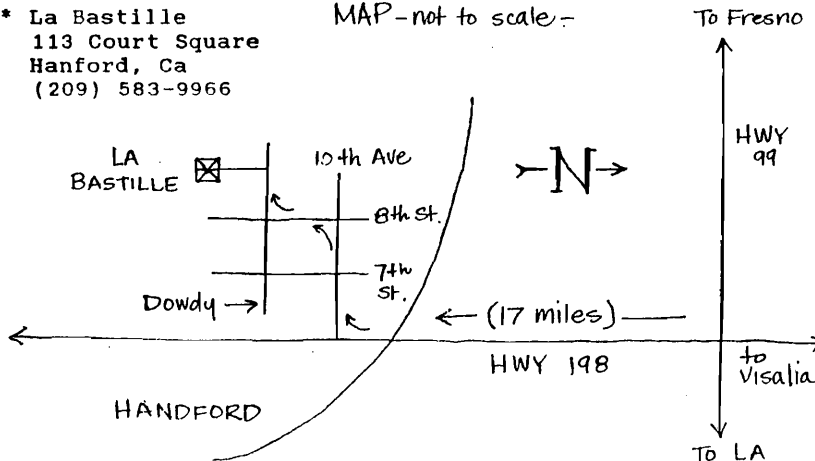
Revel- will feature music, pleasant conversation, contests T.B.A. and a bounty of mirth!!

Autocrat- (Tim May)  
Lord Timothy John of Silver Oak  
3446 E. Lansing Way  
Fresno, Ca 93726  
Ph. (209) 323-9439  
(209) 222-9008  
Evenings until 9:00p.m.

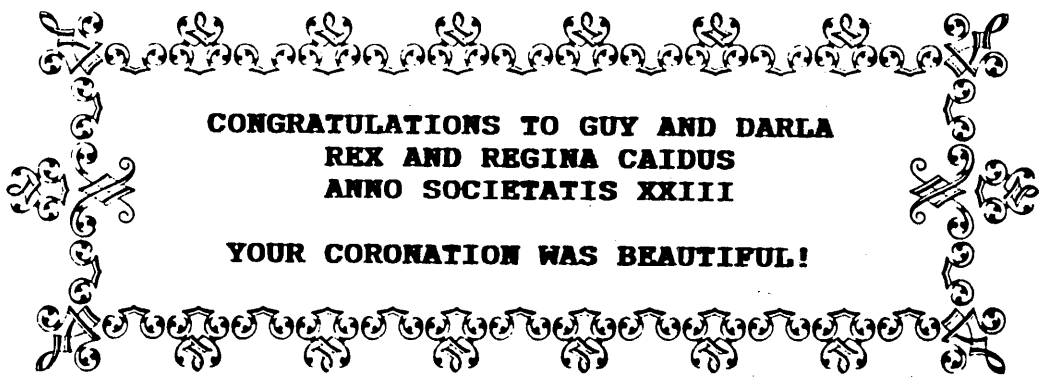
\*\* Only reservations will be acceptable for banquet seating due to limited space. Send a SASE to autocrat. They must be received by Nov. 21st. Please include Name, # in party, and check to "the Barony of Nordwache."

\*\* La Bastille  
113 Court Square  
Hanford, Ca  
(209) 583-9966

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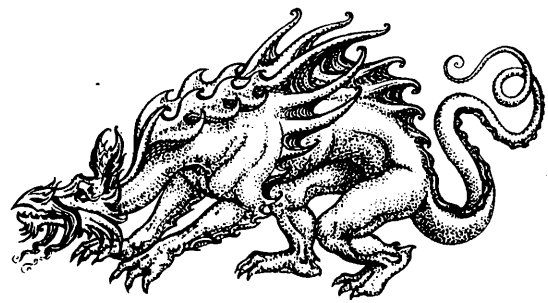
**CONGRATULATIONS TO GUY AND DARLA  
REX AND REGINA CAIDUS  
ANNO SOCIETATIS XXIII**

**YOUR CORONATION WAS BEAUTIFUL!**



Congratulations to:

- 11/19 Lord Mahmud Ali Ben Sinan. Who is now a Cresent Sword of Caid and also a member of the Legion of Coutesy.
- ✓ Baron Joseph of Nordwache. Who is also a member of the Legion of Courtesy.
- ✓ Lady Krystara of Shandara Keep. Who now has an Award of Arms.



Hail and welcome gentle folk of Nordwache. As most of you already know, the barony has a new heard; namely yours truly; Lord Stephen Pembroke Trahern. It was my pleasure to be able to officiate at the Baronial Bear Hunt and Nordwache anniversary this year.

It was an instructive and humbling experience (believe me you can't begin to imagine how I felt when I called our noble Queen Alyssandra REX! OOPS!). But I felt wonderful for the support that the nobles gave me, both during and after the baronial courts (THANKS EVERYONE!). But I digress. It was truly wonderful to be able to call forth those truly deserving individuals who received awards from the Queens hand at this event. Those noteworthy individuals include; Liam of Reisling (Order of the Harp Argent) for his outstanding artistic ability in fletching. Thorbjorn Half-Axe (Order of the Dolphin) for his unswerving faith to the ideals of the S.C.A. Onika of the Frozen North (Award of Arms) for the enrichment of our realm by her never failing good humor. Seryana Ravnsdottir (Award of Arms). Those of you who know Seryana know why she deserved it. Stephen Pembroke Trahern (Award of Arms)(Must have been a mistake!) OH WELL I'VE GOT IT NOW, AND THEY'LL HAVE TO PRY IT AWAY FROM ME! HA, HA, HA, HA <- MANIACAL LAUGHTER.

And on a more official note the special presentation by Baron Joseph to their excellencies Baron and Baroness Nakagawa Genji and his lady Eleanor of Almedan, of the Phoenix augmented in honor of their instrumentality in the founding of the Barony of Nordwache on this the anniversary of the barony.

In conclusion I would like to thank everyone who attended the anniversary, your presence made it special for me.

Lord Stephen Pembroke Trahern

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HOW I LOVE IT!!

P.S. Your personal device is your calling card. People can recognize you from a distance, can identify your camp, your personal belongings and so on ad infinitum. Please call me, they may take my job away if I don't get some submissions. (252-8257) If I'm not there leave a message on the fairy box (Please talk to it, it's so lonely) and I'll return your call

THANK YOUR HEARLD: S.P.T.  
(You forgot L. again Steve. L.S.S.R.)

OUR BARONIAL HERALD IS LOOKING FOR A DEPUTY. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED, PLEASE CALL LORD STEPHEN PEMBROKE TRAHERN AT (209) 252-8257.

THE HERALD OF REISLINGSHIRE, Luc lu Noir, is also looking for a deputy. He also wants to assist anyone who is in need of help when it come to heraldry.

#### HELP WITH GARB

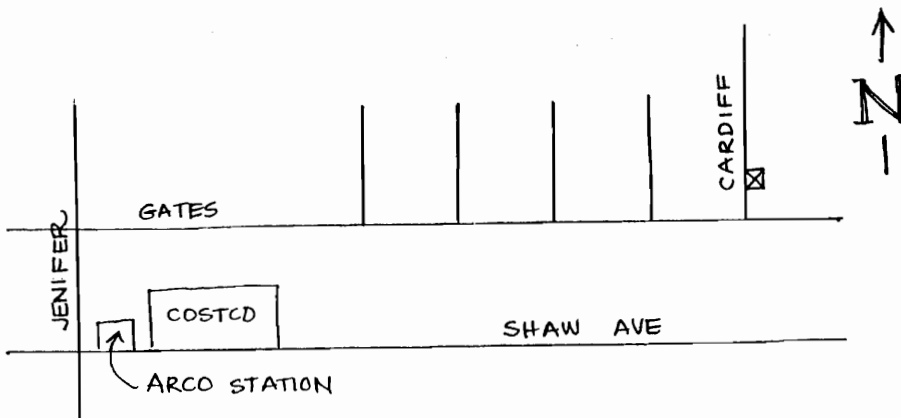
The Mistress of Arts for Nordwache, Lady Krystara of Shandara Keep, has patterns for garb that might be of help to you. She is also willing to assist you in choosing fabric. She would like to arrange an "outing" to fabric stores in the area for all who would like to see what materials are available and suitable for costuming. If you are interested, I encourage you to call her at (209) 226-6028.

#### GREETINGS LADIES OF THE BARONY:

There will be a bridal shower for Genevieve of Osborn's Glade (Jenny Reed) on January 7th at 2:00 p.m.. If you would like to attend, please contact Rosanne Garcia at (209) 275-0715.

The shower will be at 4376 W. Cardiff in Fresno. Garb is optional.

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Chatelaine's Scroll,

I was officially sworn into my office at our anniversary before the Queen, their highnesses, Baron Joseph and other royalty. It was a particularly nervous time but one I had wanted and thoroughly enjoyed. (Good heavens! I'm sure that wasn't my knee that cracked as I knelt) To those of you who were not there, especially the new members, please feel free to contact me at anytime with names of new people, frustrations, ideas to help the newly joined intergrate better into our society or to just talk.

Office sash or baldrics are being made and from now on you will be able to spot myself or my deputy Caitlin at events.

Yours in Service,

*Dallan*  
Dallan Righ De'Dannan  
Chatelaine, Barony of Norwache  
(209) 297-4210

FACT---Wealth in medieval times meant land. It supported Lord and serf alike at the same dictiating their whole way of life. The King controlled the farming of chosen tracts for his own benefit and parcelled out the rest among his Barons and Bishops on the understanding they were only tenants-in chief of their ultimate master. Such concessions could be reclaimed by the Crown when the vassal died, though it soon became the custom to hand them on to sons upon payment of a death duty to the King.

Exert taken from book below.

FANTANSY---"Guild of Thieves" by Rainbird \$29.95 Return to a magical land of Kerovia. Outstanding graphics, witty dialogues, wry humor and challenging puzzles. Includes a 40 page novella.

FACT---"Life in the Castle of Medieval England" by John Burke 116 pages. Exceptional quality of real life photographs of the castles as they now exist while giving a fascinating documentation of the basic amenities, discomfort, pagentry, warfare, and administration of an often brutal feudal system. A great book to gain a better understanding on how castles were built, why and how they were maintained and run.

## WE NEED GARB

To any old (oops) enduring members of the SCA that have tunics or that first costume that they don't use anymore:

It would be a great benifit to potential and new members if you could donate the clothing which you are not using to the (golden?) key. It is an important and you will have done a good deed. If you have any such articles please contact: Dallan Righ De'Dannan (Marcia Finnagan) at (209) 297-4210.

## AN ANSWER TO YOUR QUESTIONS

There will be (or will have been depending on how early the chronicler's tired typing fingers allows her to get the Phoenix out) a newcomers guild on November 29th for anyone wanting to know more about how the SCA works, the meaning of awards, what those weird names for officers really stand for and any other questions you might have. **ALL OFFICERS SHOULD ATTEND! PLEASE?** There will be another newcomers guild meeting tenatively scheduled for January 10th. I suppose you want to know where this meeting is.

Chatelaine Dallan's house (209) 297-4210  
46 Douglas Ave. in Clovis

Welcome to our new members who were at Nordwache's Anniversary!

Patricia Spears  
1064 Helm #F  
Clovis, CA 93612

Michael Hemmering  
4443 E. Norwhich  
Fresno. (209) 222-1898

Michael Findley  
2070 N. Marks #114  
Fresno, CA 93705  
(209) 266-7903  
Interests: Fighting  
and Archery

Justin and Kurtis Cork  
7090 W. McKinley  
Fresno, CA 93722

Interests: Fighting and  
Archery

The Chatelaine asks that you make these people feel welcome.

Hi, it's me again (that chronicler person). I just wanted to apologize for my spelling mistakes, especially when it comes to people's names. I will be getting a directory pretty soon (uh Billy, I'll give you a quarter if you give me a phone directory) and that should take care of most of the problems. If I have offended someone in any way please tell me and I'll most likely cut it out. OK, I'll cut it out.

If you will indulge me, I now need to give some people the credit they deserve.

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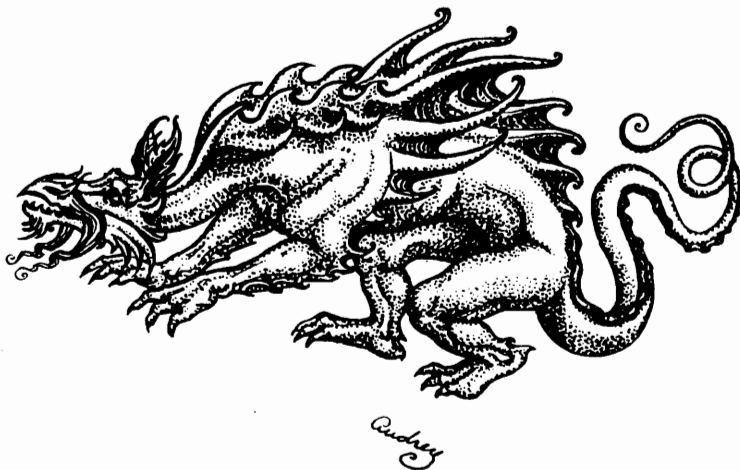
Luc le Noir: My trusty dusty deputy who puts up with me the running around and a lot of typing.

Liam of Reisling: He did the beautiful cover art and gave me many needed addresses.

Ivon of Darkforest: The wiz of a scribe that produces all of these copies.

Peter Bentarrow: For his house, and reductions.

And everyone else who helped with this first difficult issue.



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