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APRIL'S NEW MEMBERS!
OMG too many to list here! Over 200 new members! You know who you are so get up and greet everyone you see!

KALANDRA: THORIAN OF THE MONTH

BY ZOTICUS DA BEAR-BEAR

Kalandra: WOW, I am flattered!!! Thank you for choosing me! I feel a bit new to this but Ok, here goes:

1.)So Kalandra, what made you want to become a part of Amtgard?

K: I wanted to find a Vampire LARP but I could not find one. My daughter and I saw Role Models and she thought the LARPing was so cool, so I Googled and we both showed up and the rest, as they say, is history.

2.)What's your favorite Class and why?

K: This may come as a shock - but Druid! For one, it's the only class I've played as of yet. Secondly, I can use my bow and cast spells, I love it!!

3.)Do you have a favorite spell in Amtgard?

K: Considering I am only level 2, I haven't had the chance to use very many spells - but I will go with heat weapon or warp wood. I love making someone drop a polearm or sword!!

4.)If you could invent a spell in Amtgard, what would be the effect?

K: Glittery Bubble of Protection! None shall pass!

5.)What's with the glitter garb, any reason's behind why you like it so much?

K: Glitter makes the world just a little bit more fun, don't you think?

6.)We all notice you like to use bat(animal) icons? Do you like bats?(As seen in your house heraldry)

K: We can ask this question of everyone - you chose bears, do you like bears? The MacAbees chose lions, do they like lions? I think the simple answer is yes. I love bats and have for many many years. They are dark and misunderstood....I can relate.

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7.)What do you like to see happen in Amtgard?

K: I really love to see magic-heavy battle games, I would love to see more magic!!!

RECIPES

ABBY'S FAMOUS PECAN PIE

9-inch unbaked pie crust
1 cup light corn syrup
1 cup firmly packed dark brown sugar
3 eggs, slightly beaten
1/3 cup butter, melted
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 heaping cup pecan halves

1. Heat oven to 350 degrees.
2. In a large bowl, combine corn syrup, sugar, eggs, butter, salt and vanilla; mix well. Pour into unbaked pie crust; sprinkle with pecan halves.
3. Bake at 350 degrees for 45 to 50 minutes or until center is set. (Toothpick inserted in center will come out clean when pie is done.) If the crust or pie appears to be getting too brown, cover with foil for the remaining baking time. Cool.

You can top with a bit of whipped cream, but even plain, nothing tops this!

Copied from "Dear Abby" May 12, 2010

This was our very first Magic User's class! All fighting members should attend because they need to know what spells do and how it will affect them, their weapons, and about the spells they are immune to during battle. See Kalandra's class before ditching so you do better in the battle game.



We were mentioned in an online magazine! You can check it out here:

<http://web.missouri.edu/~klw94/Boffer/Boffer%20Worldwide.html>

It is about different boffer groups and we are listed there for growth and advertising...Sweet!

UPCOMING EVENTS

5/16 **Thor's Refuge Coronation**

5/20-23 **Salt Wars in Nevada**

5/23 **Pirate Potluck and Clothing Swap/Sale**

6/5 ☒ **Valhalla Ren Faire is in South Lake Tahoe. www.valhallafaire.com**

6/19 ☒ **Nor Cal Pirates Festival**

☒ **More information at: www.meetup.com/piratesofSacramento**

Letter from Your Baron

Hail! Fellow Thorians!

Well this is the end of my reign as Baron, and I would like to look back and acknowledge some of what has happened in the last six months. First, before I took office we became a Barony and that added extra requirements to Qualifying for office for all those that ran this time around. I would like to thank my guardsmen and other officers for their support over this time. Grimbold, your selection of feast-officers for the feasts was well chosen, and your presence on the field has been well felt, and not just by selected heads.

Tamara, this newsletter and your ARC Demo should be highlights in Amtgard history or at least here in TR. 208 new players that now need to get trained, garbed, and geared will take time from all of us, but as some of our new recruits have already shown, this is well worth the effort. Grix, your games and training will stay with us long after the pain of the junk-stabs has subsided. DV, your testing of our rule knowledge, presence on the field, and assistance at the A & S Nights was very much appreciated. Guyvas, as Heir Apparent you were always there to help with the newsletter and reeving the field. And of course, my guard, always willing to do the little things I was too lazy to do myself. Monty, especially, at Darkshore, always checking with me for tasks that needed to be done. Bear-Bear, with the children's games, I thank you most of all.

I would like to welcome all of our new players that have joined during the last six months. While I cannot mention each by name, I would like to extend a welcome to several individuals. Kalandra and crew, jumping in with garb, gear, and gabbing on the forums, you, and yours are a welcome add to Thor's. Wolfclaw and your crew, your presence at Darkshore, your performance in the Archery competition, and bring your crew, you have made other lands sit-up and take notice. Ronin and House Shadow Fist, I will be watching your group for future endeavors.

However, all that is the past, the future is before us. As I re-take the reins for a second six months, I reassess my goals for Thor's. The push for Duchy has been back burner. But for how long. Our Numbers hold solid, our newer members are melding in and showing growth in skill and presence on the field. Members meet 5 of 7 days in every week. We travel to other lands and away events. Thor's Refuge is no longer the little backwater shire with big numbers. We are large and growing larger. We now need to improve our skills in all aspects of the game. A & S is one area we need to improve. Not just making legal weapons, but make beautiful weapons, garb, and gear. In Stick, Orko has started a Stick Jock club and runs a fighter practice, with that and the other two weekly FPs I expect to see our average member to become players other lands fear. We also need to work on teamwork. 2, 3, and 4-man team training will commence soon. We need to

work as a unit to achieve our goals both on the battlefield and off. One team I would like to re-visit, the Board of Directors for Thor's Refuge. I call for declarations (again) for a BOD to sit July through December. This BOD is a requirement for Duchy, but that is not the only reason to have a BOD. As we get larger, our coffers will also grow. With larger dollars, we need more oversight. The BOD Treasurer and the rest of the BOD will add that additional oversight.

I am proud of what we accomplished, and I would like us to continue to accomplish more in the next six months. We may not be ready for Duchy today or even in six months. Yet, we should have all of our requirements fulfilled so when we as a land are ready to take the responsibility of Duchy, there will be no doubt we qualify.

Thanks for all of your support over the last 6 months, and I look forward to your support in the next six months.

Lord Collin the Red, Baron of Thor's Refuge



LEPER'S COMIC CORNER

