# THE HAMMER TIMES

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# MAY'S NEW MEMBERS!

5-9 Shadow Ratt 5-16

Craytos, Seamus, Aeodin, Morgan M, Chris R, Sarah R, Ed R, Willie L, Bubba, and Katrina M

5-23

Elijah S, Bullwair, Stimplegimp, Nicholas M, Chris L, Sacred Scam, and Riddle 5-30

Nicholas U, Samantha M, Tim B, Black Shadow, Red Rumbles, Kevin M, and Gladious



# LEPER: THORIAN OF THE MONTH

BY ZOTICUS DA BEAR-BEAR

- 1.) So how long have you been playing Amtgard and how did you get involved? I've been going for about a year and a half now and I started because of my interest in medieval combat.
- 2.) A lot of people would like to know, why do you like playing a diseased "Leper" persona? It mirrors many different events in my life that i've gone through...that and I love to see the expression on people's faces when I throw a rotten hand at them.
- 3.) Do you have a favorite battle scene in Amtgard you can recall? Watching Tevas cast a successful doomsday on a bridge battle one day.
- 4.) So what's it like to be a member of team BLT (Bear-Bear, Leper, and Tailon)? Its probably the single most amazingly, coincidental phenomenon known to mankind. All I can say to those who don't know us...be afraid.

- 5.) Does it hurt to block the arrows, and have you had any scary experiences while trying to do so?
- Blocking arrows has never hurt me...although there was this time I was hit in the eye by an arrow and it hurt only later that night.
- 6.) Do you always fight with your pirate hat? I usually do. It's sort of my trademark and resembles where I came from persona-wise.
- 7.) So since you are a diseased "leper" as your persona, how do you maintain yourself from decomposing all these years? Does anyone help? You take any medicine or herbal supplements? Well I used to just wrap myself in any wraps or cloth I could find. Although effective at keeping me together temporarily it failed in the long run. Local healers tend to my disease and keep it at a stable level for me to keep fighting. As for medication...Lots of Tums and Aspirin!
- 8.) Everyone has seen you do impersonations on and off the field; Who's you best celebrity to impersonate? Christopher Walken...truly one of the greats, lol.

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# Letter from the Baron

Hail Thorians!

Well another month has passed and our numbers have grown. Our summer numbers are starting to show up, and the misting system is out of storage and in use again. So, as Baron, I feel the need to remind all about safety. First with the heat, remember "pale yellow." If, when "making water," your water is darker than a pale yellow, you are dehydrated. Make sure to input plenty of water and monitor your output. Use the misting systems to cool your skin temperature and use sunscreen to prevent burns. So items to bring out with you: Water & sunscreen.

Second item for this month: Sign ins. As I said at court, the rules state that you may take credits ONLY in a class you played in a battle game on a given day. It has come to my attention several players are signing in as one class, but playing a different class or not at all. This must stop. To this end, monarchy and guardsmen will be verifying class played during the day. If signing in as UNDECLARED as you might not know what you want to play when first arriving, you must pick your class before leaving that day. Undeclared credits from previous weeks are not affected by this, but please pick an appropriate class when shifting your credits. (i.e. if you never played a healer, don't ask all your undeclared credits to be shifted to Healer.) Remember, no garb = Peasant, no participation in a battle game = Warrior, no fighting at all = Color. Finally, if asked by a reeve to play a different class than the one you chose, for purpose of game playability, or you reeved, you may choose any class you could have played. (i.e. no paladin unless you are a knight)

Third item for this month: Fighter practices. I am pleased we have so many options for our

members to practice their skills during the week. I am concerned that we may lose the Friday night practice due to low attendance. Bear-Bear has opened his home to all for fight practice, but few have come out. If the location or time is not optimal for enough people, it can be adjusted. Please communicate with Bear-Bear on this as we need 3-5 fighters to make a fighter practice work and so far we are not hitting this target. Bear-Bear has also made an offer of Dungeon Tokens! For every 4 fighter practices you attend, you will get 1 token usable at Bear-Bear's 2010 Dungeon Quest.

Final item: Stepping up. I would like all members to think about what it takes for a successful park. We need leaders. Any member that joined before April will be eligible to run for an office in September. If you are considering running for office, NOW is the time to talk to those currently in those positions and find out what it takes to do that job. I am on my second term and will not try to run for a third term in a row. Suraya will have a heavy load next semester and will not be running for Regent next term. We have many new players; I hope some of these new players want to be part of why this park is doing so well. Another way to step up, for those that joined in 2009; we need to establish a board of directors. Five members to help us with an NPO application, monitor financials, and qualify us for Duchy. Yes, I said the "D" word, Duchy. We are not yet eligible and won't be until November. But, I see no reason not to meet all requirements before we apply for the promotion. I hope we will be ready in November, but if not it should not be simple requirements that is keeping us back.

Thank you all for your participation,

Lord Collin the Red Baron of Thor's Refuge

# Regent's Perspectives

# by Suraya

A call to all Artisans and Weapon Technicians! During the Mid-Reign of Thor's Refuge on August 1<sup>st</sup> a Dragon Master will be held. As Dragon Master is different than Qualifying for Office, I have been asked to expound upon how the Dragon Master is to be run.

First, items entered in any previous Dragon Master are not allowed to be reentered. However, items from a previous Quals, may be entered in this Dragon Master. This is an opportunity to show off all the Amtgard related work you have done!

Second, categories are as follows from page 21 of the Westmarch Corpora:

Category	Event	Description
Garbing	Fighting Garb	Made for wear on the battlefield
	Court Garb	Made for wear during Court or formal functions
0.00	Monster Garb	Made for portrayal of a monster class.
della la la	Garb Accessory	Belts, pouches, favors, but not jewelry.
Art	Flat Art	2-D artistic medium
	3-D Art	Any three dimensional artistic medium
	Needlework	Embroidery, latch hook, cross stitch, knitting, beadwork, etc.
	Jewelry	Items made to be worn as jewelry
	Digital Media	Photography, movies, webpages or digital enhanced art.
Literature	Fiction	Any fictional work
	Non-Fiction	Work based on factual events
	Battlegame	Description of a new game to play with Amtgard rules
	Poetry	Any type of Poetry
Cooking	Main Dish	Food served as a main course
	Side dish	Food or condiment served to accompany a meal
S USB WIDO	Beverage	Any beverage and may be alcoholic
	Dessert	Food served primarily as a dessert
Construction	Weapon	Weapons legal for Amtgard use.
	Shield	Shields legal for Amtgard use.
	Armor	Any form of armor
della little	Banner	Any banner construction
	Active Construction	Items made for battlefield use not covered by other events
	Passive Construction	Items not for battlefield use and not already covered by other events
Bardic	Singing	Singing with or without accompaniment
	Instrumental Music	Any musical performance with an instrument
	Dance	Any form of dancing or choreographed movement
	Recitation	Story, poetry, comedy, drama, etc.
Rose	Rose	Items donated to Amtgard.

Third, please prepare a small excerpt (a few sentences) about each entry as you will not be there to present your entry. What the item is, any special design features that may be mistaken for poor craftsmanship, materials used, how it was constructed, etc. are good ideas to include. Be careful with the poor craftsmanship one; judges can tell when you are cutting corners and when it is designed that way. For example, a banshee costume that has finished edges but is

designed to look as though it does not is different than a costume that does not have finished edges and is "supposed to be that way." All food items must have a list of ingredients.

Fourth, all written entrees must be submitted to me, Suraya, no later than July 25<sup>th</sup>. However, I will not be at the park, I'm getting married. Please email them to

<u>suraya.07@hotmail.com</u> before 9pm on the 24<sup>th</sup>. I will distribute them to the judges.

Fifth, scoring is based on a one to five scale - five being perfect and one being a waste of materials. The winner of this Dragon Master will be found by totaling a person's top five scores of different events. More submissions are welcome, but only the top five will count for winning Dragon

Master. For example, a person submits two swords receiving a 3.9 and 4.0, one main dish receiving a 3.7, a song receiving a 4.2, a recitation receiving a 4.0, a short story receiving a 3.8, and piece of court garb receiving a 3.6. The 4.0 sword, the main dish, the song, the recitation, and the short story will be totaled for a final score of 19.7.

I hope to see all your amazing A & S stuff at the Weapon Master!



## CHAMPION'S CORNER

### BY BARON HANNOSKE

We have breaking news from the front. Last week an evil scouting party was found wandering the land. In direct opposition to the holy decree of Sir Euric, these brigands were traipsing across the imperial highlands. While their current condition and location is unknown, our latest reports showed them to be in the proximity of Thor's Refuge. Although Sir Euric himself mounted a counter-offensive just days ago, he has been heard to say he "Couldn't have gotten them all. There are undoubtedly more waiting."

Upon the return of the Crimson Marauders, and assorted peasantry, who had set out to hunt down the evil personages, a manifesto was promptly written. The criers have been wailing its message non-stop.

Let it hereby be known amongst the people of the Imperial Highlands: Evil will not be tolerated! From this day forth, all evil shall be expunged from the region. All those who wish to perform ghastly misdeeds or those naturally of an evil demeanor are hereby banned from Thor's Refuge and its surrounding area. Violators are to be killed on sight or tortured for a confession.

Our accolades go out to the Crimson Marauders for their exceptional job of defending our homelands. They have informed us, that donations to their coffers are always welcome, but their service is free. "It is our honor to protect those less fortunate," a passing marauder was heard to have said. With everyone rejoicing over the most recent victory, our dour champion has taken this time to put out a warning, and a call to arms.

This is just the beginning. This lone scouting party is nothing to celebrate. The full forces will soon be coming. I call upon every able warrior or magi to prepare yourself. Volunteers are requested to scout out the country side and ensure that the Highlands remain safe. Do not become complacent!

This author suggests you pay no attention to the depression thoughts of a lone warrior. With the Crimson Marauders, and our Holy Palidan, Sir Euric, evil cannot stand a chance. Plus we must never forget that Thor himself once called this land his personal refuge, with legend dictating that he left one of his personal Seraphs to protect it for his return. I say we focus more on the upcoming visit of our great Prince Deimos. Rumor has it he will pay us a visit within a fortnight.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- 6/19 🖔 Nor Cal Pirates Festival
- 6/20 Father's Day!
- 6/27 Invasion of Thor's Refuge! Deimos brings his dark army to recruit forces after his loss in Crimson Wood.
- 7/4 M Independence Day Potluck/BBQ (bring a dish or \$3 fee, those that bring food go to front of the line.)
- 7/10 Zombie Walk!! (see our meetup site or CAAmtgard forums.)
  - More information at: <a href="https://www.meetup.com/piratesofSacramento">www.meetup.com/piratesofSacramento</a>



### LEPERS COMIC



