

# *The Echoes*

*“A Newsletter for the Principality of the Summits”*



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## *A Note From Your Chronicler*

**T**hough hot winds blow across our lands and the sun beats down in what seems a relentless barrage, unseen is the assistance of a cool shadow, cast by a very old oak, that cools a gathering of lovely ladies of the Summits. A trickling stream goes nearly unnoticed, save for a few brave warriors who stoop to cool their sweaty brows after a fierce battle.

These forces working in the background are what makes the Summer of Our Lands not more bearable, but all-the-better. The strength, the very backbone of what makes these Gryphon Lands so great are the volunteers that keep things moving. Often going unseen, unnoticed as the oaken shade, our populace volunteering to help at each and every event is so very important to The Dream working so smoothly.

Volunteer when you can. 'Tis the perfect way to meet others and perhaps give a well-needed break for someone. Volunteer and learn a little bit about something you haven't tried. Certainly remember to thank those who have volunteered and helped at your own events. They gave of themselves and perhaps cast a little shade upon your own sun-drenched brow.

*Yours in Vigilant Service,*

EILAF SPIÆLBODHASON  
*Summits Chronicler*



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## *Words from Their Alpine Highnesses*

**G**nto the wonderful People of the Summits do we, Sumayya and Gabriel send greetings. As the tournament season progresses we have seen some wonderful events unfold including the Coronation of our new King and Queen which was spectacular. During TRM court, however, a war cry was heard throughout the land and we hope that many of the Summits fighters will heed the battle cry and defend their Princess' honor. Travel with us to Autumn War on Aug 13-15 and defend the Summits and your Coronet against those who would hide their chocolate from us.



*We would also like to encourage all artisans in the Summits to donate to largess with the beautiful and creative items I have seen throughout Our lands. We really have a desire to show how talented and generous the people of the Summits are.*

*May we continue to enjoy our summer with leisure and joy,  
Gabriel and Sumayya  
Prince and Princess of the Summits*

*Our Progress for Aug/Sept:*

*Briarok Bash 8/6-8/8*

*Autumn War 8/13-8/15*

*Harvest Tourney 8/20-8/22*

*Long and Short of It 8/27-8/29 His Highness only*

*Mid-East Feast (Kingdom of Atenveldt) 8/28 Her Highness only*

*Sept Crown 9/3-9/5*

*Fall Coronet 9/17-9/19*

*Amergin's Revel 9/24-9/26*

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## *Words from the Summits Seneschal*

*G*reetings from your Seneschal ~

*I hope you're all enjoying the summer, now that the weather is finally summer-like. Coronet is coming upon us rapidly, just a quick reminder that combatants and consorts need to have proof of membership if you intend to compete, and if you should be victorious you need to provide proof of your membership being valid through the end of the reign.*

*Please familiarize yourself with Principality Law before entering the tournament.*

<http://summits.antir.sca.org/docs/SummitsLaw2008.pdf>

*Tourney season is well underway. We have magnificent new Sovereigns on the Lion thrones and our own Alpine Highnesses have stepped into their roles marvelously.*

*We still have a couple of open positions. We are SO close to having all positions filled. It would bring me such joy to have a full staff for the first time! I am still looking for a Minister of Children, a Youth Armoured Combat Marshal, as well as deputies for the Seneschal position. Talk to me if you're interested at all.*

*Acacia*

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## *Words from the Bleu Grael Herald*

*G*reetings from Bleu Grael!

*Heraldry is going strong in the Summits - court, field, or book, we have people active in every area! If you're interested in learning about heraldry, please talk to me and/or join our e-mail list:*

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/summits-heralds/>

*Similarly, if you have questions about heraldry, we are here to help!*

*Lots of our populace have been submitting names and devices - about 30% of all kingdom submissions recently have come from the Summits. Let's see if we can up that even more!*

*The Bleu Grael office recently purchased several volumes for our library; most of these are taken from the 'no-photocopy' list, meaning that if you document a name through these sources, you don't need to include photocopies. If you'd like to see the books, let me know and we can arrange a time to meet (I can't ship them or lend them out, sorry!). I'm also happy to look up particular names and send you the info for your submission.*

*At the last Curia meeting, the office requested (and was approved) for a maximum of \$60 to be spent on fabric for a new herald's tabard to replace the ancient-and-venerable-tabard we have currently. Keep an eye out at future principality events!*

*Finally, the Bleu Grael office has just acquired a new deputy. Madame du Pont of Tymberhavene will be serving as Town Cry deputy for the Summits, and will be in charge of coordinating Town Cry at all future principality events. She can be reached at [madamedupont@ymail.com](mailto:madamedupont@ymail.com). I am actively looking for more deputies, so if you are interested, please let me know - I can find something for you to do!*

*YIS,*

*Rheinwyllydd*

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# Cat's Meow Girls Night Out

Ohhhhh,  
I ate too much.  
I feel like I could lay  
an egg.

Perfect!  
I hear tell, Avacal's looking  
for a replacement!

You know,  
Once you peel off  
that hard shell, they're  
rather scrumptious!  
Like Chicken!



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## *This Month in History: August*

527: Justinian succeeds Justin as sole emperor. Upon the death of his uncle, Justinian, who had been made co-emperor in April, became the sole emperor of the Byzantine Empire, and his wife Theodora was crowned augusta at the same time.

936: Otto the Great elected King. Otto was nominated by his father Henry I, king of the Liudolfing dynasty in Germany, to be his successor. A month after Henry's death, he was elected king by the German dukes at Aachen and crowned by the archbishops of Mainz and Cologne. Later, Otto would become the first Holy Roman Emperor since Charlemagne.

1100: King William II of England born. William Rufus was the second son of William the Conqueror and inherited the crown of England. He was killed by an arrow while hunting; whether this was an accident or deliberate murder is still debated.

1492: Columbus sets sail from Spain on August 3<sup>rd</sup>. Christopher Columbus and his small fleet consisting of the Niña, the Pinta, and the Santa Maria left the port of Palos, Spain, where they had been fitted out, and headed for the Canary Islands, where they would pick up northeast trade winds. Six weeks later they would leave the Canaries, and three months later they would bump into the Americas.

1578: Battle of the Three Kings. When Portuguese king and religious zealot Sebastian decided to subject Morocco to Christian rule, he allied with deposed sultan al-Mutawakkil and landed at Tangier with an army of 20,000 men. Outnumbered by 'Abd al-Malik and his brother Ahmad, the Christians were forced to retreat. While crossing the Wadi al-Makhazin, many of the European force drowned, including Sebastian and al-Mutawakkil. The next morning, the very ill 'Abd al-Malik died, as well, giving rise to the battle's name.

Sebastian's death left Portugal without a king, and the empire came under Spanish control for the next 60 years. Ahmad became the new sultan of Morocco and was known as Ahmad al-Mansur -- Ahmad the Victorious.

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## *Ask Omar*

Omar Flagondrainer is a self-described "expert" on all things SCA, specializing in combat related activities.

*To write Omar with a question or comment, send an email to "Ask Omar" care of this publication ([AskOmar@ymail.com](mailto:AskOmar@ymail.com)) and your question along with an answer by The Great Omar himself might end up in print for all to see (or a facsimile thereof). "Ask Omar" is a syndicated column available to all newsletters throughout the Knowne World.*

*Dear Omar,*

*I need your help! I'm one of the shortest fighters out there and being a female fighter on top of that, I find it hard for other fighters to take me seriously. What can I do to remedy this and for them to start taking my shots? They also patronize me and don't want to give me a "real" fight cause they think I'll get hurt, help!*

*Signed, Short Fuse*

*Dear Big Bang,*

*You could start with a hard shot to the knee and when they drop down in pain complaining of an illegal blow, just say " sorry, I just wanted to look you straight in the eye before I killed you." Then duck down even smaller, run up quickly, get inside and underneath their shield and stab them in the (lower) gut. If none of that works to garner respect from them, cry loud and hard when you get hit, call them a bully and tell them that your Knight is a lawyer named Conrad, that'll get their attention.*

*Omar the Big Brute*

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Hey Omar,

*All your advice reall sucks! You don't really know anything about fighting at all do you. You've probably never picked up a stick in your life, I don't remember seeing you out on the field...ever! So, why don't you come on out to my fighter practice and "teach me a lesson", you might learn something after you get up off the ground. Let's see how much you really know. I'll be waiting with gauntlet ready to throw down.*

*Signed,  
The Dude*

*Well "Dude",*

*I noticed you don't spell your name with a "K" so how much can you really know? Apparently you're the one who doesn't "remember" me on the field. Of course I can't really blame you after the pasting you got from me at A&W. You were wandering aimlessly around the field for quite a while afterwards asking for the birdies to go away. If you know so much about fighting, I expect you'll be teaching a class at Sport of Kings. I'll be looking forward to taking your class and give you your gauntlet back at that time.*

*Omar the Dude Drainer*

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## *Recipe: Appel taerten*

*This recipe is an excerpt from the first printed Dutch cookbook, published by Thomas vander Noot in approximately 1510. It is not known if he was the original author. It is a fairly simple recipe and is presented here in its original form and English translation, without modern redaction.*

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### *Apple Taerten*

Appel taerten Neemt appelen die alder best breken die suldy scellen ende wel cleyne sniden Maer wacht datter gheen carnen ofte sloechuysen in en vallen want die carnen soudē dye gheheele taerten bederuen. Als dye appelen dus ghesneden sijn met cleynen stucken So suldi dien rant vander seluer taerten vullen tot boven toe al vol Dan suldi dair op maken eenen scheel vanden seluen deeghe daer die taerte af ghemaect es. Dan steltse inden houen ende laetse so backen alsse ghebac ken is so suldisē wt doen ende snidense bouen open inden scheel Soe dat die scheel maer en behouwe eenen om merant. Dan suldisē rueren met eenen houten lepel tot dat die appel wel ghebroken sijn die in de taerte lig ghen Oft eest datmen wilt men machse duerdoen. Dan suldi nemen desen navulghende cruyden ende minge lense dair mede Te weten greine/ ghimber/ caneel/ no ten muscaten/ groffels nagelen/ folie/ ende potsuycker Maer die dese selue taerte seer costelijck wilt maken die nemen daer toe moruwe suycker coecken ende ooc suycker daer men de coecken af maect Ende dit salmen temperen wel te gadere met sanen dan salment inde taerte doen mitten appelen ende latense also staen droo ghen inden houen tot dat si drooghe es



*Apple tarts. Take apples which are best for cooking until they fall apart. You shall peel these and cut them small. But watch that no seeds or pieces of core fall in, because the seeds would taint the whole tart. When the apples are cut up thus in small pieces, so you shall fill the crust of the same tart up to the top all full. Then you shall make a lid from the same dough that the tart is made from. Then put them in the oven and let them bake thus. When they are baked so you shall take them out and cut a hole in the lid, so that the lid stays only as a ring around the edge. Then you shall stir with a wooden spoon until all the apples which lie in the tart are well broken up. Or if one wants, one may pass them through a sieve. Then one shall take these following spices and mix them therewith, to wit: grains of paradise, ginger, cinnamon, nutmegs, cloves, mace, and potsugar. But those who want to make this same tart very delicious take as well soft sugar cakes and also sugar which one uses for making cakes. And one shall stir this together with cream; then one shall put it in the tart with the apples and let it stand to dry in the oven until it is dry.*

## Game: Riddles

Throughout the Middle Ages, riddles were used not only to keep the minds of children busy but to sharpen the mind of even hardened warriors. Here are five actual Saxon riddles from the Viking era, translated for your enjoyment.

1. *I'm by nature solitary,  
scarred by spear  
and wounded by sword, weary of battle.  
I frequently see the face of war, and fight  
hateful enemies; yet I hold no hope  
of help being brought to me in the battle,  
before I'm eventually done to death.  
In the stronghold of the city sharp-edged swords,  
skillfully forged in the flame by smiths  
bite deeply into me. I can but await  
a more fearsome encounter; it is not for me  
to discover in the city any of those doctors  
who heal grievous wounds with roots and herbs.  
The scars from sword wounds gape wider and wider  
death blows are dealt me by day and by night.*
2. *I'm told a certain object grows  
in the corner, rises and expands, throws up  
a crust. A proud wife carried off  
that boneless wonder, the daughter of a king  
covered that swollen thing with a cloth.*
3. *Wob's my name if you work it out;  
I'm a fair creature fashioned for battle  
When I bend and shoot my deadly shaft  
from my stomach, I desire only to send  
that poison as far away as possible.  
When my lord, who devised this torment for me,  
releases my limbs, I become longer  
and, bent upon slaughter, spit out  
that deadly poison I swallowed before.  
No man's parted easily from the object  
I describe; if he's struck by what flies  
from my stomach, he pays for its poison  
with his strength - speedy atonement for his life  
I'll serve no master when unstrung, only when  
I'm cunningly knocked. Now guess my name. [answer]*
4. *On the way a miracle: water become bone. [answer]*
5. *Favoured by men, I am found far and wide,  
taken from woods and the heights of the town,  
From high and from low. during each day  
bees brought me through the bright sky  
skillfully home to a shelter. Soon after that  
I was taken by men and bathed in a tub.  
Now I blind them and chasten them, and cast  
a young man at once to the ground,  
and sometimes an old one too.  
He who struggles against my strength,  
he who dares grapple with me, discovers immediately  
that he will hit the hard floor with his back  
if he persists with such stupidity.  
Deprived of his strength and strangely loquacious,  
he's a fool, who rules neither his mind  
nor his hands nor his feet.  
Now ask me, my friends,  
who knocks young men stupid,  
and as his slave binds them  
in broad waking daylight?  
Yes ask me my name. [answer]*

*Answers to Riddles:*

1. Shield

2. Dough/Bread

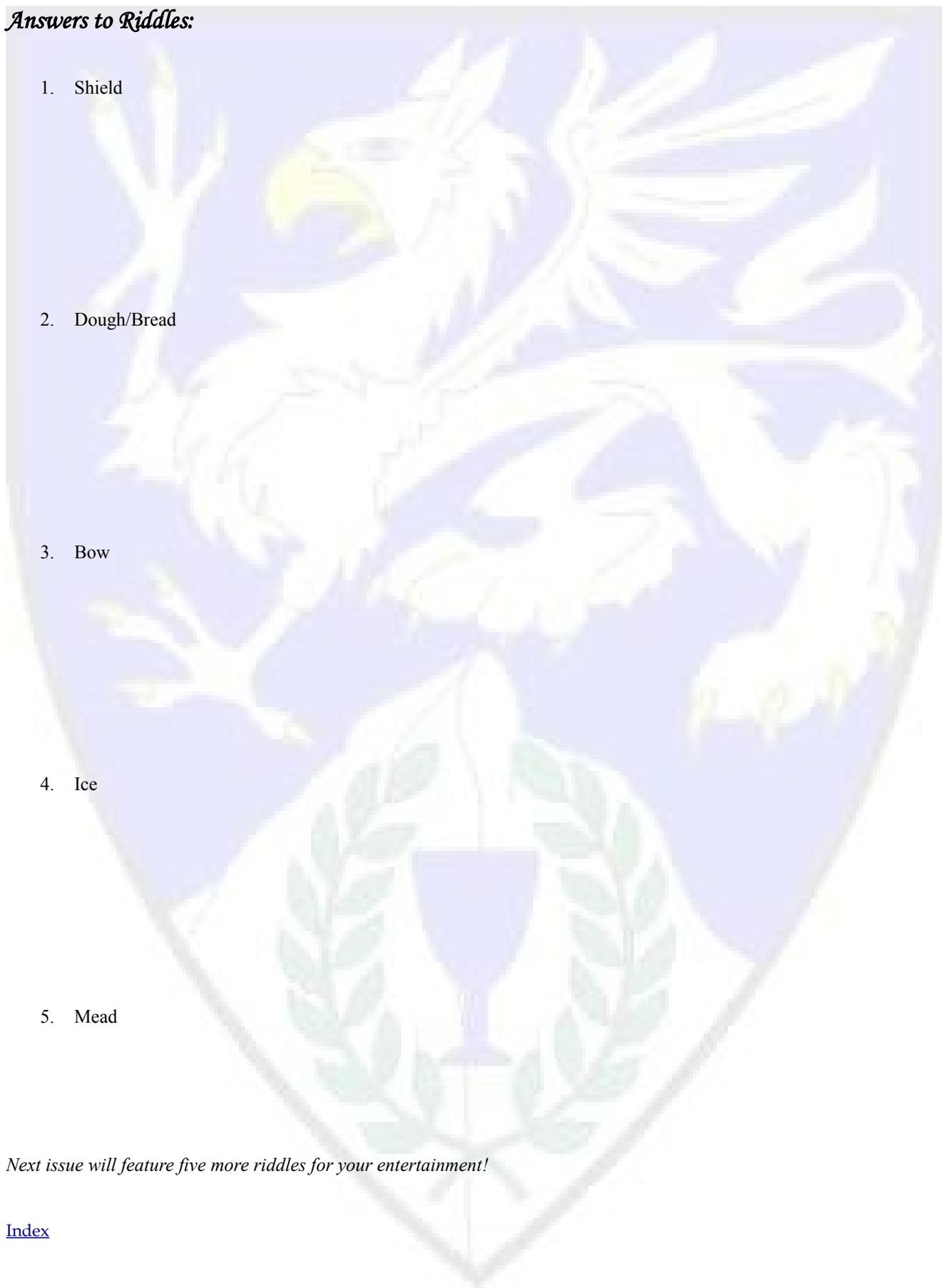
3. Bow

4. Ice

5. Mead

*Next issue will feature five more riddles for your entertainment!*

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## *Upcoming Events*

### *Amergin's Revel: September 24-27, 2010*

Autocrat: [Rachel Vashnia](#)

Join Adiantum as we celebrate the end of summer!

Find all the info at the [Event Website](#)

The Competition to determine Adiantum's Heavy Defender, Bardic Champion, and Thrown Weapons Champion will be held, and our Gracious Baroness Morrghan will hold her Sergeantry Trials on this mellow closing weekend of summer.

Other highlights will include an Evening Bonfire with a grand open Bardic, a Potluck Feast w/ Roasted Pork, and other things still to be announced!

There will be Pied Piper activities, and the Thrown Weapon's range will be open for Archery as well.

Cost:

Adults - \$15.00

Youth - \$12.00 (12-17)

Children - \$5.00 (5 - 12)

Under 5: Free.

Please add \$5.00 for Non-Members

This is a wet site.

Please pack out your trash.

#### **Site Info:**

Name: Twin Cedars Farm

81169 Beach Rd.

Creswell, OR 97426

#### **Directions to Site:**

From South: Take I-5 North to Exit 176. (Saginaw). Turn Left on E. Saginaw Rd and go about a half mile. Turn right on Hwy 99. (OR-99 N). Drive North on Hwy 99 about 2 miles, to Lynx Hollow Rd. Turn Left on Lynx Hollow Rd. Drive about 3 miles to the first stop sign. Continue Straight onto Beach Rd. (Site is visible from the stop sign)

From North: Take I-5 South to Exit 182. (Creswell) Turn Right on Cloverdale / E. Oregon Ave. Turn Left onto Hwy 99 S. (This is just after the railroad tracks). Follow Hwy 99 south about 4.5 miles to Lynx Hollow Rd. Turn Right onto Lynx Hollow Rd. Drive about 3 miles to the first stop sign. Continue Straight onto Beach Rd. (Site is visible from the stop sign)

From I 5 going north Take exit 113 turn left under the freeway and go to the Stop sign and turn Right. Cross the river and turn right at the next stop sign. Follow Highway 99 north through Dillard Oregon and once you cross the bridge into Winston turn right onto Thompson blvd and site will be on right.

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## *Tymberhavene Birthday Bash: October 1-3, 2010*

Autocrat: [Honorable Lord Brendan ap Llewelyn](#)

BREAKING NEWS - SITE CHANGE!!!

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We are going back to our traditional site, West Laverne Park. This means Hot Showers! Flush Restrooms!

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The Shire of Tymberhavene once again welcomes one and all to Birthday Bash! We will be celebrating the 5th anniversary of the campout that led to the formation of the Shire. Planned activities at this time include choosing our Heavy, Rapier, and Archery defenders. The Archery Defender will be determined by a mix of styles, to include Combat archery!

While this is a small event, merchants will be welcome - contact the Autocrat for details.

Currently this event is listed on the Progress of HAH Sumayya.

The Site:

**West LaVerne Park Day Use -- Area "A"** is located West of LaVerne Park on the North Fork on the Coquille River; fifteen miles North of Coquille (Highway 42) on the Coquille-Fairview Road, and five miles North of Fairview

**.West LaVerne Large Group Camping -- Area "B"** is nestled in the midst of a large Douglas Fir and Oregon Myrtlewood Tree grove. This section of the park is located adjacent to the West LaVerne Day Use area.

We will have full use of both sides this time!

Site Fees: \$15 Adult, \$5 NMS applies

\$10 Youth 10-17

\$ 0 Children under 10

Activities:

Heavy Defender Tournament

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## Rapier Defender Tournament

Archery Defender Tournament, using both combat and target arrows.

Saturday Night Potluck Feast! The Shire will be providing the main course (Some form of Beef, TBD closer to event date, subject to change ), attendees bring an item to feed 8 or more people. Ingredient list cards are a VERY GOOD THING (Think food allergies).

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Autocrat:

HL Brendan ap Llewelyn

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### **Site Info:**

Name: West LaVerne County Park- Group Area A & B

Coquille - Fairview Road

Coquille, OR 97423

### **Directions to Site:**

Last Event's Directions :

From Adiantum/North - take your best route to I-5, take I-5 South to exit 119 (SR-42)

From Roseburg/South - take your best route to I-5, take I-5 North to exit 119 (SR-42)

The Following Directions are the same from either the North or South direction:

Take SR-42 to Coquille, Oregon. Turn Right on East 2nd Street (One block past Coquille's only traffic light). There will be signs for the SCA and LaVerne Park. Go Straight, pass the 4 way stop and pass the 4 way flashing stop and continue forward through the traffic light (ok so coquille has more than one light but only one on SR-42). Take the first right hand turn past the traffic signal. This will be Coquille Fairview Road. Follow this road for 14 miles to LaVerne Park. The roads will be well marked with SCA signs.

Please note that Coquille is the last reasonably priced gas/grocery stop. There is a convenience store with gas and groceries 5 miles before you reach the site. Also be aware that most mapping programs are wildly inaccurate for this area.

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## ***Submission Information***

*Part of the strength of Echoes is the fact that it is created by Summits Gentles, for Summits Gentles. Your generous submissions are what color Echoes and make it unique to Summits. Do you have personal artwork you would like to allow us all to see? Would you like to write an article or story? Has your child drawn a picture that you would be tickled to share? If so, please contact the Summits Chronicler so we can talk about publishing your submission. As always, your submissions are welcome!*

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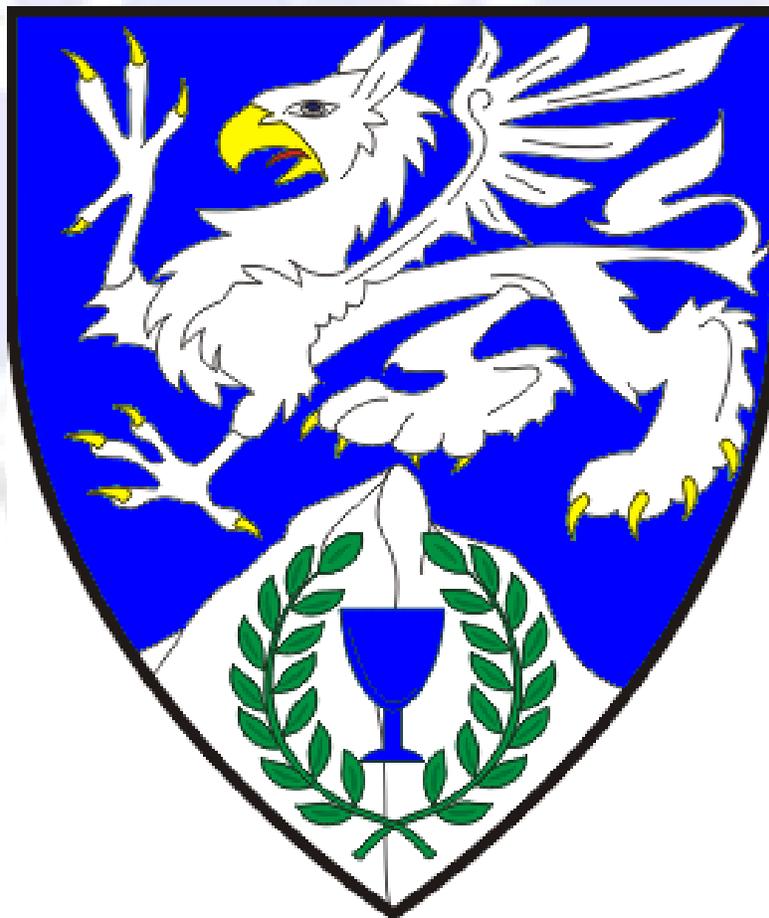
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## ***Summits Champions***

### ***Shield of Chivalry***

*HL Nemo Magnus*

### ***Defender of Summits***

*Aaron Duncan*

### ***Summits Rapier Champion - Captain of Cats***

*Don Luciano Foscarì*

### ***Summits Archery Champion - Captain of Eagles***

*Don the Archer*

### ***Summits Arts and Sciences Champion - Alpine Scholar***

*Madame Cynthia du Pont*

### ***Cup Bearer***

*Sir Ambrose Mavrorthakis*

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