

# Tales of the Tor

# October 2015

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# Message from the Senechal



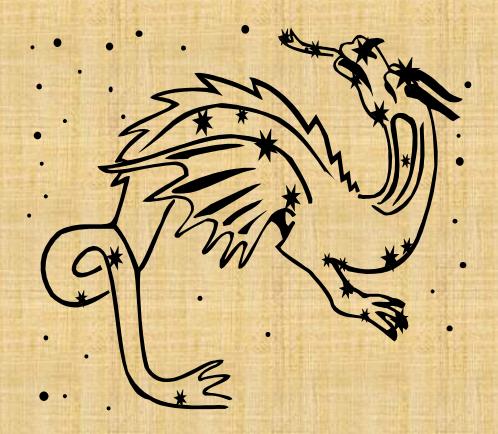
#### Greetings to all of Dragonsfire Tor,

We all seem to have survived the summer and life is getting better as we move into fall. I would like to really thank Lady Tamsin for keeping the Rapier program going through the summer. We have a new budget that we will talk about at populace this month. We will also talk about the plans for Yule and Tournament of Champions. Now would also be a good time to start planning for Bam and Gulf War.

DFT is a Great Canton and it seems that the Baron of Bonwicke would like to add our greatness to his Barony. I am not so sure this will be a good thing for us at this time. It seems he really wants us and is willing to wage war on Elfsea and Steppes. Not such a great idea coming from such a Barony. I will be posting more information about this as it comes available.

In your Service,

Lord Franklin Whitenhale of Cheshire



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In your Service,

Lord Franklin Whitenhale of Cheshire

Seneschal of the Great Canton of Dragonsfire Tor



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4 Rapier practice 6 pm Jaycee Park	5	6	7 Elfsea Chivalric and Rapier Prac- tice 7:30	8	9	10 Forge Night 1 to 9pm at Scotty and Janie's back yard verify with Scotty
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### Message from the Baron and Baroness



Greetings to the good people of Elfsea and Dragonsfire Tor,

We are impressed with this Barony's willingness to travel. A group of fighters traveled out of state to Battlemoor. We're still hearing stories from that trip! Several of us attended Bonwicke. Fifteen of us were present at feast; a feast which was prepared by Lord Ravenger and Lady Cairistiona of the Tor. A few hardy souls traveled to Northshield to attend the Known World Metal and Glass Symposium. Their notes to the group were full of excitement for all of the new techniques being learned.

Several members of the Barony attended Laurel's Prize Tourney. A few folks joined us at Raven's Fort for their investiture. It was a pleasure to greet our new cousins. M'Lady Elyse won her division of the youth rapier tourney and his Grace Lochlan won the chivalric tournament. The Prince and Princess attended the 10-year anniversary event in Gleann Abhann. Justinian won the Mooneschadowe new fighter tournament. Huzzah for all of the tournament winners!

Several of us had a wonderful day at Loch Ruadh Fest. It was a very relaxed day full of fellowship. We had the privilege of holding court for Their Majesties. It was a pleasure to do this and spend the day with a fine group of people.

How can you not be amazed and excited for the enthusiasm our Barony is showing? Of the nine events on the Kingdom calendar for September, Elfsea was present at eight of them. We are very proud of this group and how well we are represented around the Known World.

October begins with Namron Protectorate. Several members of the Barony will be attending. The weekend after is Coronation, also in Namron. October 17<sup>th</sup> is Quest for Valhalla in Bjornsborg. October 24<sup>th</sup> will be the Arlington Library Demo. This is our largest demo of the year and a great new opportunity for us. We will be the cornerstone of a much larger event. It will be a great recruitment opportunity. Please support Lady Sylvana and Lady Liadan, the stewards for the demo.

There will be a workday on October 17<sup>th</sup>. It will be focused on getting everyone ready for the Tournament of Champions. Helping hands and experience will be available to assist you with your blue and white project. If you are not going to the Quest for Valhalla, we would love to see you there.

Bids for Defender were opened at the September populace meeting. Please remember to give consideration in your bid for how the community will be served – a hafla, bardic fire or maybe a tavern. The stories from being with friends are what we remember and tell to each other and the new members. The stories are what draw us together.

### Message from the Baron and Baroness cont...

We have decided to change how prize baskets are handled. We will no longer collect generic items in the hopes that something will appeal to a new champion. New champions will receive the pass down regalia when they win. We will ask them for a wish list of items that would be of use to them. We then have a year in which to personalize the prizes and will present the gifts to them when they step down.

We will close our letter with disturbing news... news of war. Our good canton of Dragonsfire Tor is being coveted by the other baronies in the central region. We will do battle with them to defend our rights to the canton. We are still working out the terms of the conflict. We will share more information as it becomes available.

We are very proud of the enthusiasm and pride with being Elfsea. We see it in the large number of people attending fighter practices, guild meetings and populace meeting. We have a hard working group of officers who are doing their best to make sure that the Barony is functioning well.

Vivat Dragonsfire Tor! Vivat Elfsea!

William and Cassandra

Baron and Baroness of Elfsea

Lord and Lady of Dragonsfire Tor

Our progress:

Coronation - October 10<sup>th</sup> A&S Workday - October 17<sup>th</sup>

Arlington Demo - October 24th



### Notes from an old Rapier Marshal

#### The Light Supremacy

My good friend's, no one who has ever listen to tales of bravery and honor upon the list field and not wished that they too had these wonderful stories and experiences to share and draw upon. And yet, there are many among us who cannot help having some certain reluctance at allowing large hairy strangers to pound upon us until we are black and blue with a big piece of stove wood. We cannot but feel that there must be away to achieve this same lofty goal that would be more elegant, sophisticated, classier, and yes far less painful means available. Something that did not so much bring to one's thought's Samson slaving with the jawbone of an ass them who had err-ed. In short a less brutally manner in which two noble foes might battle for the supremacy of the list field, and there is! We call it light weapons fighting, or fencing if you prefer. Yes just as the renaissance brought the light of reason to the world (small pun intended) so too did it solve the problem of killing people without the need to beat them to pieces first. Not only can you be fierce, bold, arrogant, and condescending (the very essence of period nobility) but you can do it all in fine lace and knee high ridding boot's, hooray! Women will want you and men will fear you, unless it works the other way round of course. In either event you may need someone to answer your fan mail. Let those who may wish to beat one another silly in hot and heavy steel plate. For you shall fight in brightly colored array the elegant dance of death with steel sword blade flashing in the sun! You really should pick something that shows off those fencers calves I would think. Do not fear if you do not have them yet. Just start fencing regularly and trust me you will. Do not waste even one more day. Run and find the nearest rapier marshal and tell them you have seen the light! Large pun still intended but at least it's my last (for now).

Yours in Service to the Barony and the Canton,

Angus Patrick de Ruthven



# Open Office

### Greetings,

We have the following Dragonsfire Tor officer positions open for APPLICATIONS. These will be open until filled.

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In your Service, Lord Franklin Whitenhale of Cheshire



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Chronicler

Lady Diana the Just

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Deputy Chronicler

Accepting Applications

Greetings

Thanks to Lord Angus for his submission "The Light Supremacy".

My term as Chronicler is up in December. If anyone is interested in becoming the next Chronicler please let me know.

If there is a subject any of you are curious about let me know and I'll see if I can find any information to publish in the newsletter.

Yours in Service

Lady Diana the Just

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