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Heyla, Misty fans!

With a modicum of luck, we now have most everything on track. Herald Auryn has rejoined us after a particularly bad streak of events in her life. Hopefully things will calm down. We are exceedingly glad she has returned!

We have two new members to announce! Thank you so much to Healer Adept Moonstar for returning to help out with persona approval! As a side effect, new volumes of Children of Velgarth are becoming available. Huzzah!

Thank the all the Powers that Be that Daylight Savings Time has disappeared for a few months. I don't care if my husband has to drive home from work in the dark. I care that I no longer have to get my kids up for school before dawn! I use lights either way, but at least I worry a lot less about the safety of my husband traveling home at night than I do about the safety of my children, preparing for school in the dark. Three states north of me, I know those kids are walking to school in the dark, which is just as dangerous as walking home after nightfall. Extra security needed, extra risks . . . How is changing the clocks saving us any money? Has "Mythbusters" ever done an episode on this? At least Arizona has it's collective head on straight, ignoring the whole "time change" mess. I'm happy for the extra hour now, but I'd give it up in a heartbeat to be able to give up the lost hour in the Spring.

Publication News:

This month, Misty is releasing an audiobook collaboration with Anne Flosnik: *Gwenhwyfar: The White Spirit (A Novel of King Arthur)*. Just in time for Christmas, a paperback version of *Changing the World: All-New*

Tales of Valdemar will be available in time for the holidays on December 1. And keep your eyes peeled next year for *Much Fall of Blood*, a collaboration between Misty, Eric Flint and Dave Freer.

Do consider the Dragonlord's Bookstore (www.dragonlordsnet.com/bkstore.htm) for your holiday gift giving and other purchases. A portion of each sale goes to support Queen's Own. This is how we keep memberships free, and we're really hurting on sales again this year because of the economy. We really appreciate your support!

This month we have a review of *Aerie* from the Dragon Joustier series. If you would like to review a con, faire, movie, book or something else of interest to our fans, we'd love to publish it. Please send it to me!

Have a great Autumn!

Zhai'helleva,

Herald-Mage Adept Danya Winterborn



Aerie. By Mercedes Lackey. Reviewed by Linda A. Malcor (aka Danya Winterborn). 291 Pages.

This is the fourth book in the *Dragon Joustiers* series. I must admit that I had a bit of trouble following along at some points because it had been so long since I had read the first three books, but I eventually caught on.

The story featured the expected political intrigue and complications to personal relationships that had to come when the women got the bright idea to start their own Wing of Joustiers. The Egyptian-flavor of the culture continues to delight, particularly when deities start coming to life. The Joustiers continue to settle into their new home at *Aerie* and find their place in the dealings among Sanctuary, the Tians and the Altans. If that weren't enough, there's a good old-fashioned mystery, sparked by the finding of a dead man in the desert. Misty is particularly good at weaving mysteries into her fantasy writing, and I found this outing to be one of the more intriguing puzzles. The story is left laying wide open for yet another sequel in the series, which we will hopefully be able to enjoy sooner rather than later! The Tians and Altans are clearly about to have a lot more trouble on their proverbial plates than anyone anticipated!

In all, this was a good, quick read, though I wouldn't call it a "stand-alone" book. You really do need the background from the rest of the series to be able to follow it well.



Ren. Faires:

Here are the Faires we know about for November. Faires are indexed alphabetically by state. Have any information about any other Renaissance Faires in your area? Send it to us at Legend@malcor.com.

Alabama

MOBILE RENAISSANCE FAIRE. Website: www.mzrf.net. E-mail: gcrenfaire@aol.com. Address: 3603 Mobile Highway, Pensacola, FL 32505. Site Address: Hank Aaron Stadium, Mobile. Dates: 11/14/09 to 11/15/09. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Arizona

PHOENIX FAERIE FESTIVAL. E-mail: westerngatesfaerierealms@gmail.com. Website: www.westerngatesfaerierealms.com. Address: 4221 North 20th Street #3, Phoenix, AZ 85016. Site Address: Estrella Regional Park, 14805 West Vineyard Avenue, Goodyear. Dates: 11/14/09. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

TRI STATE RENAISSANCE FAIRE. E-mail: azdrgnldy@hotmail.com. Address: 745 Morro Drive, Bullhead City, AZ 86442. Site Address: Community Park, Bullhead City. Dates: 11/21/09 to 11/22/09. Open/Close: 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Arkansas

NWA RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL. E-mail: dupton@uark.edu. Website: www.nwarenfest.org. Address: 718A West Treadwell, Fayetteville, AR 72701. Site Address: Washington County Fairgrounds, 3485 West Wedington Drive, Fayetteville. Dates: 11/7/09 to 11/8/09. Open/Close: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

California

DICKENS CHRISTMAS FAIR IN SAN FRANCISCO. Website: www.dickensfair.com. E-mail: office@themeevents.com. Address: PO Box 1768, Novato, CA 94948. Site Address: Cow Palace, San Francisco. Dates: 11/27/09 to 12/20/09. Open/Close: 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

THE ESCONDIDO RENAISSANCE FAIRE AND SHAKESPEARE IN THE PARK: FALL. Website: www.goldcoastfestivals.com/escondidoren/erenpg1.html. E-mail: goldcoastfestivals@gmail.com. Address: 2219 East Thousand Oaks Boulevard # 303, Thousand Oaks, CA 91362. Site Address: Felicita Park, Escondido. Dates: 10/31/09 to 11/8/09. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

KEARNEY PARK RENAISSANCE FAIRE. Website: www.kearneyrenaissancefaire.com. E-mail: jroberts@ccdof.org. Address: 4413 East Ashcroft, Fresno, CA 93726. Site Address: Kearney Park, Fresno. Dates: 11/14/09 to 11/15/09. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

KINGDOM BY THE RIVER. E-mail: ndlscdda@citlink.net. Address: 817 Third Street, Needles, CA 92363. Site Address: 1001 River Road, Needles. Dates: 11/14/09 to 11/15/09. Open/Close: 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Florida

CAMELOT DAY. Website: www.camelotdays.com. E-mail: brad@camelotdays.com. Address: 6971 Southwest 64th Street, Miami, FL 33143. Site Address: Topeekeegee Yugnee Park, Fort Lauderdale. Dates: 11/14/09 to 11/15/09. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

LADY OF THE LAKES RENAISSANCE FAIRE. Website: www.lakerenaissance.com. E-mail: cullenc@lake.k12.fl.us. Address: 910 East Dixie Avenue, Leesburg, FL 34748. Site Address: Hickory Point Recreation Park, 27341 State Road 19, Tavares. Dates: 11/6/09 to 11/8/09. Open/Close: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

PIRATES IN PARADISE FESTIVAL. Website: www.piratesinparadise.com. E-mail: info@piratesinparadise.com. Address: PO Box 1153, Key West, FL 33041. Site Address: Historic Seaport, Mel Fisher Maritime Heritage Museum and Key West Museum of

Art & History at the Custom House, Key West. Dates: 11/27/09 to 12/6/09. Open/Close: 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

SARASOTA MEDIEVAL FAIRE. Website: www.sarasotamedievalfair.com. E-mail: info@sarasotamedievalfair.com. Address: PO Box 152023, Cape Coral, FL 33915. Site Address: Sarasota Fairgrounds. Dates: 11/14/09 to 11/22/09. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Hawaii

THE DRAGON'S LAIR. Website: www.freewebs.com/dragonslairhawaii. E-mail: msthunderfoot@yahoo.com. Address: PO Box 840, Volcano, HI 96785. Site Address: Fern Forest Hawaii, Jungle King Road. Dates: year-round. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to close.

Louisiana

LOUISIANA RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL. Website: www.faeriecon.com. E-mail: info@faerieworlds.com. Address: PO Box 220, Robert, LA 70455. Site Address: 46468 River Road, Hammond, LA. Dates: 11/7/09 to 12/13/09. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Montana

MISSOULA RENAISSANCE ARTS & CRAFT FAIR. Address: PO Box 1053, Lewistown, MT 59457. Site Address: Holiday Inn Parkside, 200 South Parkside Street, Missoula. Dates: 11/28/09 to 11/30/09. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. (Sunday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.)

New Mexico

DONA ANA ARTS COUNCIL RENAISSANCE ARTS FAIRE. Website: www.daarts.org. E-mail: info@daarts.org. Address: PO Box 1721, Las Cruces, NM 88004. Site Address: Young Park, Las Cruces. Dates: 11/7/09 to 11/8/09. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Sunday till 4 p.m.)

North Carolina

CAROLINA RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL. Website: www.royalfaires.com/carolina/default.asp?page=1. E-mail:

carolinarenfest@royalfaires.com. Address: PO Box 165, Davidson, NC 28036. Site Address: Huntersville. Dates: 10/10/09 to 11/22/09. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

FOOTHILLS HIGHLAND GAMES. Website: www.scotsfoothillshg.org. E-mail: foothillshg@bellsouth.net. Address: PO Box 1939, Hendersonville, NC 28793. Site Address: Jackson Park, Hendersonville. Dates: 11/7/09. Open/Close: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Texas

TEXAS RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL. Website: www.texrenfest.com. E-mail: shelly@texrenfest.com. Address: 21778 FM 1774, Plantersville, TX 77363. Site Address: 21778 FM 1774, Plantersville. Dates: 10/10/09 to 11/29/09. Open/Close: 9 a.m. to dusk.

For additional Ren. Faire information, visit the Renaissance Faire Homepage at <http://www.renfaire.com/> and the Renaissance Magazine site at <http://www.renaissancemagazine.com>.



Conventions:

Here are the conventions we know about for November:

Arizona

TUS-CON 36. Website: <http://tusconscificon.com>. E-mail: basfa@earthlink.net. Address: InnSuites Hotel Tucson CityCenter. Dates: 11/13/09 to 11/15/09.

Iowa

KEOKON. Website: www.keokon.com. E-mail: permalm@mindspring.com. Address: Hoilday Inn Express, Keokuk. Dates: 11/27/09 to 11/28/09.

Maryland

FAERIECON: THE INTERNATIONAL FAERIE CONVENTION. Website: www.faeriecon.com. E-mail: info@faerieworlds.com. Site Address:

Baltimore Marriott Hunt Valley, Baltimore. Dates: 11/12/09 to 11/14/09.

Massachusetts

NEW ENGLAND FAN EXPERIENCE. Website: www.nefanx.com. E-mail: scifi@nefanx.com. Address: Courtyard Marriott, 275 Tremont Street, Boston. Dates: 11/13/09 to 11/15/09.

Ireland

IRISH DISCWORLD CONVENTION. Website: www.idwcon.org. E-mail: info@idwcon.org. Address: The Falls Hotel, Ennistymon, County Clare. Dates: 11/6/09 to 11/9/09.

United Kingdom

NOVACON 39. Address: The Park Inn, Mansfield Road, Nottingham. Dates: 11/13/09 to 11/15/09.

Netherlands

CONTRADI(C)TION. Website: www.contradiction.ncsf.nl. E-mail: contradiction@ncsf.nl. Address: City Hotel Oss, Netherlands. Dates: 11/3/09 to 11/15/09.

For additional Convention information, visit Convention Outpost by Jenga at <http://www.geocities.com/jengacons/> or the Sci-Fi Guide at <http://scifi.about.com/blcon.htm>.



Member News:

For definitions of our fannish jargon, read the 12-page booklet "Pros & Cons: An Introduction to Fandom" written by Elizabeth Barrette. Send \$1.00 and a \$0.37 stamp (or \$1.00 and 2 IRCs) to Queen's Own, P.O. Box 749, Laguna Beach, CA, 92652. Make checks payable to "Linda Malcor" in US funds only.

Local chapters:

- **Arrows OnLine:** Contact: Adept Grayfeather k'Varis (Kristi Reed). E-mail: DragonMamaK@aol.com. Arrows OnLine is the AOL chapter of QO. Chats will be held the first and third Wednesdays of each month from 8-10 PM ET. Topics will be posted prior to chat, hopefully as soon as a month in advance for book discussions. Although we have the scheduled chat, the Companion's Grove is open 24/7, and anyone can come in for informal chat. As far as instructions on how to get there . . . there are lots of hoops to jump through now. Go to the books community, find the message board link, then find the "Author A-Z" message board, and find your way to the Mercedes Lackey boards from there. She's no longer a keyword, but hopefully with more traffic in the future that will change. If you don't want to jump through hoops, you can e-mail me directly, and I'll give you the links. The links to the chatroom will be on my "signature" on the boards.
- **Friends of the Pelagirls:** Contact: Morghan Savistr'i. Website: <http://www.freewebs.com/unchainedatlantic/index.htm>. E-mail: elfchilde@gmail.com. Under new care! Friends of the Pelagirls, the Mid Atlantic Chapter of Queens Own, is looking for new members, co-moderators for Lists and Subgroups, as well as those who would like to attend Writers groups in their area! Please e-mail Morghan Savistr'i at elfchilde@gmail.com or visit our new site <http://www.freewebs.com/unchainedatlantic/index.htm> for more information! We look forward to growing with you!
- **German Heartstone:** Website: <http://www.heartstone.de>. E-mail: Sunny@heartstone.de or Shae@heartstone.de. A new chapter of Queen's Qwn started in Germany for all German-speaking people within a brand new Misty-Fanpage on <http://www.heartstone.de>!
- **Golden Grove:** Website: <http://reawildfire.com>. E-mail: evillurking@gmail.com. Snail mail: 5774 Mareta Lane, Loomis, CA 95650. Golden Grove is back! For those not in the know, GG is the California chapter of QO, which I (Aurora Nelson) ran for a couple of years back in 2000. If you missed out back then, now's your chance to be a part of this great chapter. Dues are \$5 a year to cover mailing fees, and we desperately need submissions. Artwork, poetry, stories, book reviews, crossword puzzles, recipes . . . Heck, if you think it's interesting, I probably will to, so send it in. If you send in a lot of stuff you get free issues of the newsletter! You can contact me at evillurking@gmail.com (put GG in the subject line please). Feel free to ask for a copy of the guidelines--it might give you an idea! Don't delay, write today!



- **Heartland Arrows:** Contact: Earthshower k'Valdemar. Website: <http://www.angelfire.com/falcon2/heartlandarrows>. E-mail: thewrathofyourmom@hotmail.com.
CALLING ALL VALDEMAR FANS! CALLING ALL VALDEMAR FANS! Heartland Arrows IS BACK!!!! If you live in or around Minnesota, Iowa, Wisconsin, or Illinois and want to be a part of this great chapter of Queen's Own, please contact Earthshower k'Valdemar at thewrathofyourmom@hotmail.com.

- **Queen's Own (Valdemar Fan Club):** Are you on Facebook? Looking for cool groups to join to discuss Mercedes Lackey's Valdemar works? Join the Queen's Own Chapter on Facebook. We are always looking for new members and have several discussion boards including one to help members create their personas for Formal Queen's Own approval. Our link is: <http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=2202088363> feel free to contact Officer Healer Adept Moonstar with any additional questions at healermoon@gmail.com.

- **Sapphire and White:** Contact: Ronald Glaser. E-mail: luckystar@abe.midco.net. We accept members from all over the United States, but we technically cover the Great Lakes region, including South Dakota, North Dakota, Minnesota, Nebraska and Iowa. Heyla there, everyone! Sapphire and White is looking for people who are interested in Mercedes Lackey and her works such as the Valdemar series and the many other books that she has written. We accept both members and non-members of QO. You can contact me for more info at luckystar@abe.midco.net. I hope to have a chat list and maybe a fanzine going soon, but I am looking for submissions for that when it gets up and running.

- **Valdemar Estate Waystation:** Contact: Herald Lily. Website: <http://valdemarwaystation.iwarp.com/index.html>. E-mail: kalendral_tarma@hotmail.com. Valdemar Estate Waystation has expanded. Due to low numbers of anything in Perth, it is also now the largest cosplay club in perth We have cosdays every month and Ramen Nite is the first Thursday of the month. We now cover 3 sections. Valdemar, Horses, Costuming/anime. Online forum is open to all! (come on, we even have a member from Golden Grove...:hugs to you:) Find us at <http://vewaystation.proboards100.com/index.cgi>. There are recent pics of Misty and Larry and some dodgey fun so don't be shy . . . your mothers weren't, and pay us a visit!

- **The Vanyel Fan Club:** Contact: Herald Bastian. Website: <http://www.dragonlordsnet.com/vfcindex.htm>. E-mail: Herald_Bastian@hotmail.com. The *Vanyel Fan Club* is a chapter of QO that started out as an independent fan organization. The chapter is devoted to fans of Herald-Mage Vanyel Ashkevron from The Last Herald-Mage Trilogy by Mercedes Lackey.

Zines and Newsletters:

- ***Children of Velgarth:*** Editor: Kendra Renaud, aka Healer Adept Moonstar, P.O. Box 749, Laguna Beach, CA 92652. E-mail: healermoon@gmail.com. I publish new and old personae, even previously published persona if asked by members in this new, official QO zine. I will only accept what was sent in for your persona to Queen's Own to be recognized. Any fan fiction written later should be sent to one of the other zines who really need it to keep their zines going. This fanzine will be published periodically when it reaches 80 pages or so. Zines will be available by e-mail only, and completely free. The zines will be in PDF format, which use adobe reader available for free from the Adobe website. Watch the Queen's Own newsletter for release dates. Issues 5 and 6 are currently in the editing stages! For the contents list for issues 1 - 4 and additional information, visit <http://www.dragonlordsnet.com/qozine.htm>.
- ***Companions' Grove*** still needs stories, and artists to illustrate stories! (Remember, all contributors get a free copy of the zine in which their work appears.) Volume Eight is full, and awaiting the illustrations and final layout. **** If you contributed a story or promised me artwork for Volume Eight and have not heard from me recently, please get in touch with me, as I had to reformat my hard drive and lost my zine correspondence and address book earlier this year. If I don't hear from you by September 2003, I will have to drop your contribution from the zine. **** Volume Nine is open to submissions. Current prices (not including shipping) are:
 - *Companions' Grove Volume One* - \$4.75 (40 pages, color cover)

- *Companions' Grove Volume Two* - \$6.35 (56 pages, color cover)
- *Companions' Grove Volume Three* - \$5.95 (51 pages, color cover)
- *Companions' Grove Volume Four* - \$4.95 (42 pages, color cover)
- *Companions' Grove Volume Five* - \$7.75 (69 pages, color cover)
- *Companions' Grove Volume Six* - \$6.55 (57 pages, color cover)
- *Companions' Grove Volume Seven* - \$5.95 (52 pages, color cover)
- *The Danya Winterborn Saga* - \$5.20 (52 pages, b/w front and back covers)
- *Endgame* - \$3.85(36 pages, b/w cover)
- *Fire Eyes* - \$4.40 (43 pages, b/w cover)
- *Shards of Autumn* – out of print, see note below
- *The Sum of Duty* - \$5.80 (57 pages, b/w cover)
- *Do or Dye: A Guide to Companion Camouflage* - \$1.25 (20 pages, digest size, b/w cover, saddle stapled)
- *Cat's Cradle* - \$7.60 (76 pages, monochrome green cover)

For orders shipping in the US, I've instituted a maximum shipping cost of \$3.85. Multi-zine orders, which can be shipped in a flat rate envelope (usually 3 of the smaller zines, or 2 of the larger zines), will be sent Priority Mail; larger orders will be sent Media Mail Insured, which is only slightly slower and doesn't have the zone rates (which wouldn't work with my shopping cart). Smaller orders will be sent First Class.

I take credit cards via PayPal, which is the cart's only payment option, but the cart can be used to calculate shipping, and checks/money orders mailed to Green Dragon Press, c/o Devin Harris, 4531 N. Kelishan St., Pahrump, NV 89060.

Except as noted, zines are printed on high-quality, bright white paper, comb bound, with cardstock covers. Story excerpts and cover art—as well as submission guidelines and PayPal ordering information—can be found at <http://www.greendragonpress.net/misty.htm>. To order via snail mail, send check or money order (payable to Devin Harris; US funds only) to Green Dragon Press, c/o Devin Harris, 4531 N. Kelishan St., Pahrump, NV 89060.

Note regarding *Shards of Autumn*: While this zine is officially out of print and no longer available on the website, a few copies are left over from convention appearances. Any remaining copies from MediaWest will be available at that con until they sell out; the others are being returned to me and will be auctioned off at <http://www.auctionfen.com> until they are gone. I also occasionally auction off zines which returned from cons a bit shopworn, so it's a good site to check periodically.

- **Golden Grove:** Editor: Aurora Nelson. E-mail: evillurking@gmail.com. Snail mail: 5774 Mareta Lane, Loomis, CA 95650. *Golden Grove* needs your submissions! I'm taking stories (Velgarth and otherwise), poetry, crosswords, recipes, artwork, editorials, personas, reviews (books, movies), and whatever you can think of that you find interesting! Guidelines are available for those who wish to request them, as are release forms. Send your submissions to evillurking@gmail.com. Subscriptions are \$5 a year, with your first issue free. Publication starts in March, so don't delay! We accept members from every state and country (Other countries, please write for subscription info.)!

- **Herald's Companion:** Editor: Karen Bertke, 5694 Scarborough Dr., Cincinnati, OH 45238. If anyone has friends stationed overseas for the war, let us know and we'll send them a feezil mascot (to make anything feezilable). E-mail: submission instructions:
 - 1) Subject line must read "For Karen." (Anything else will be erased as a potential virus hazard.)
 - 2) Do not use strange fonts, which my computer will not recognize.
 - 3) E-mail:it to gbertke@fuse.net. (This is my father's e-mail address. Use it for submissions for Herald's Companion only.)

- **Sapphire and White:** Editor: Ronald Glaser, 1202 S. 2nd St., Aberdeen, SD, 57401. E-mail: luckystar@abe.midco.net. Sapphire and White's fanzine is accepting submissions at luckystar@abe.midco.net. All forms of material can be submitted; format-wise if you use Word Perfect please use Notepad. Fan fiction, book reviews and movie reviews are greatly appreciated.

Other Fandoms:

- Lois Bujold: Lois Bujold can be reached at lois@dendarii.com. "The Bujold Nexus" is at <http://www.dendarii.com>. You can receive information about their newsletter, the *Dendarii Dispatch* by contacting Lyn Belzer, Editor, 25-16 18th St., #2 Long Island City, NY 11102.
- CrossGen Comics: Exciting New Fantasy Comic Books. Follow Prince Ethan's adventures the third Wednesday of each month as he gains the powerful sigil and accidentally puts his world on the brink of war. Meridian, on sale the fourth Wednesday of each month, is the fantastic saga of a teenage girl and her plight to save her floating island home. Go to <http://www.crossgen.com>, or call 1-888-COMICBOOK for details on a retail location near you.
- Tanya Huff: **Nine Above!** is a list for fans of author Tanya Huff. This list provides announcements about Tanya's latest work, publication dates, and personal appearances. NA! also provides a forum for Tanya's fans to communicate with each other, and will have discussion as well as announcements. Lurking is fine, but participation is encouraged. When you join, we'd love for you to send a "hello" to the group at large, telling us who you are! To start sending messages to members of this group, simply send e-mail to nineabove@egroups.com.
- L.A. Malcor: **Dragonlords of Dumnonia:** L.A. Malcor, <http://www.dragonlordsnet.com>, Legend@malcor.com.
- Adrian Paul of Highlander: <http://www.adrianpaul.net>.
- Michael Praed: *Michael Praed Network Newsletter*, <http://fanfare.michael-praed.com>.
- Melanie Rawn: **Pandemonium** - The official Melanie Rawn club invites you to join their ranks. SASE for more information: Irena Pereira, P.O. Box 18A146 , Los Angeles, CA 90018.
- **N3F** is one of the oldest general interest SF/F clubs, started in 1941. Members meet by snail mail and E-mail:to discuss SF, Fantasy, and Horror genres. (Some gather at cons, too.) We have plenty to offer the hungry SF/F/H fan! Members receive *Tightbeam*, the club's quarterly zine, and *The National Fantasy Fan*, our bi-monthly zine. For inquiries, please snail mail me at N3F Secretary, Dennis Davis, 25549 Byron Street, San Bernadino, CA, 92404-6403. Check out our website at <http://www.simegen.com/fandom/n3f>.

- Doctor Who and other Media: **The Prydonians of Prynceton**, P.O. Box 3194, Princeton, NJ 08543-3194.



Collegium News:

We have individual handouts for aspiring Heralds, Healers, Bards, Blues, Mercenaries, Tayledras, Shin'a'in, and White Winds Sorcerers/Sorceresses and instructions on how to work for Herald-Mage status if you are already a Herald or for a Kal'enedral if you are already a Shin'a'in. You can find these handouts online at <http://www.dragonlordsnet.com/qohandouts.htm>.

You need a release form (online at <http://www.dragonlordsnet.com/qomlrel2.htm>) if you write a story set in Misty's worlds or using any of her characters. You do not need a release for a character sketch, poem or filk. All Misty wants to do is protect her characters and her worlds. Send the release form (you do NOT need to include the story) to Misty c/o Paul Fisher, 16525 E 470 Rd., Claremore OK 74017. Do NOT include the release form with your persona material; send it to Misty. Send a *copy* to us.

All personae materials should be sent to the QO address or submitted by e-mail to Legend@malcor.com and healermoon@gmail.com. We have no new personae to announce at this time, but several submissions are being reviewed. (I apologize profusely to everyone who is patiently waiting for me to have enough time to review the submissions! I've actually managed to read about half a dozen of my backlog. I now have to find the time to type the responses back to the people who submitted the personae. Progress is being made . . . slowly, but progress none the less.)

- ❖ Welcome to **Tayledras Healer Mage Swanstar k'Vaia** and her bondbird, Avala (Gyrfalcon)! In addition to being a healer mage, Swanstar has Mindspeech with her bondbird and non-human races. *Linda Millard* wrote about Swanstar and her family and friends, wrote a story and poem, and drew two sketches .

- ❖ Welcome to **Tayledras Journeyman Mage Windreed k'Verei** and her bondbird, Ja'rek (Hawk Eagle)! In addition to being a journeyman mage, Windreed has Mindspeech with her bondbird, humans and non-human races. *Noel Palmer* wrote about Windreed

and her family and friends, wrote a story and song lyrics about Skif and Cymry.

If you were working on a persona who is no longer listed at <http://www.dragonlordsnet.com/qochat.htm> that means we have not heard from you in over a year. To revive your persona, simply message Danya at Legend@malcor.com and tell her that your persona is in "Deep Storage." She will pull it out for you and reactivate your submission. I do not have any new personae to announce this month (though a couple of rewrites are sitting in the stack on my desk). Hopefully we'll have some next month.

If you are a returning member who has recently activated your membership in Queen's Own and we have forgotten to list your welcome message, contact Danya at Legend@malcor.com, and she'll make sure you are greeted in the next newsletter.

Lost . . .

One of the challenges running an online club is that people don't always leave a forwarding address when they move <g>. We are missing current e-mail addresses for the following members:

- Bard Revelin Tionne (sazimarc@mindspring.com)
- Bard Valiena (laughsong@aol.com)
- Blue Devyn Aeryn (devin@greendragonpress.net)
- Guardsman Faolan Ixran (Timmeu@scubadiving.com)
- Guardsman Vena LaRue (eflynt@starrtech.net)
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From Herald-Mage Adept Danya Winterborn:

Heyla, Folks!

Eesh! Still up to my ears in Back to School fundraisers, PTA stuff, Girl Scouts, all three kids having birthdays, editors squawking about deadlines . . . I'd best keep this short! Hope you have a great Fall! With luck, I'll have more time to write in the December newsletter!

Zhai'helleva,

Danya



Personals:

- ❖ **From Ellen Million:** From Ellen Million: Ellen Million Graphics -- <http://ellenmilliongraphics.com> - is going through considerable restructure and that means sales! All pre-2010 calendars are buy one get one free, and all remaining products are on clearance. Be sure to check out <http://portraitadoption.com> - we've got more than 800 portraits by more than a hundred artists ready for instant adoption exclusively as your character. Visit <http://EMG-Zine.com> for monthly articles and columns, as well as a gallery of art and selection of fiction. Are you an artist or writer interested in an exciting new shared world project? <http://tornworld.net> is now seeking contributors! Taking the Starving out of Artists since 1993.
- ❖ **From Aurora Nelson:** Heyla! Rea Wildfire (aka Aurora Nelson) is looking to contact her penpals old and new. If you remember her or would like to say, "hi," please contact her at Evillurking@gmail.com.
- ❖ **From Cliff Hunter:** I'm looking for a penpal I used to know through QO. Her name is Dara Murphy. Anyone with information about how I can contact her, please e-mail me at DeathrockCliffy@aol.com.
- ❖ **From Jennifer M. Mackay-Galicia (Herald Mallea D'Lar):** I have a new email address: mackayjenn@yahoo.com! SNAIL MAIL: PO BOX 66408, Portland, OR 97290. If you like to read, I'm your girl. Just give me a book and a quiet nook--I'm happy! Misty, Tad Williams, J.R.R. Tolkien, Mindy Klasky (Glasswright series), DragonLance (the M. Weiss/T. Hickman original books and new), SF Classics like H.G. Wells, George Orwell, ect., ect. I'm about to

sink my teeth into David Eddings on my sister's recommendations. I just finished watching SEVEN seasons of Buffy the Vampire Slayer. That was fun! I've gone through all NINE years of The X-Files. I'm a huge X-Files fanatic. (Did I forget to mention my love affair with box sets on DVD?) I'm a fan of every Star Trek show made, Star Wars, Battlestar Galactica (got my box set), Babylon 5, Quantum Leap, and just about anything else that grabs my attention. If you wish you could take a trip to the moon, or just get out of Mundania for awhile, please feel free to drop me a line!

- ❖ TO EVERYONE who enjoys Misty's creations and the vast realm of Fantasy in general... ANGELA K. SCOTT CREATIONS has moved and is yes, still alive and kicking! You may recall my humble business from past QO (snail mailed) newsletters. I sell fantasy and M. Lackey-related stationery and bookmarks; Heralds, Shin'a'in, faeries, unicorns, dragons, myths, magic and more! I offer card packs with 22 fantasy and sci-fi designs to choose from, as well as as a special line of cat angel cards I call my "Furry Angel Series". I offer gift certificates and I do commissioned artwork/designs (specific stationery, cards, pet-portraits, illustrations, etc. even tattoo designs). Please contact me for further details! Unfortunately I do not have an online version of my business and I know "snail mail" may be a foreign concept to some, though I know I enjoy receiving things other than bills and junk mail in my mailbox! If you would like to receive my 6+ page merchandise booklet please contact me at : **Angela K. Scott-Cox, 216 Dingo Rd. Apt. D, Spring Lake, NC 28390.** **Please enclose SASE*, which is a self-addressed stamped envelope. I also would appreciate any feedback and/or ideas from people. Thanks to all my past, current, and potential customers, and I hope to hear from you soon! (*Please check out some of my artworks at *www.Elfwood.com under Angela K. Scott...*)

- ❖ **From White Winds Sorceress Cime Shadow Weaver. To All.** Shadows of Goddess is now an online store. I offer a free pouch with every purchase to Queen's Own members. Be sure to tell me you are though. :) I offer new items weekly. The URL is <http://www.ebaystores.com/shadowsofthegoddess>. My e-mail address is cimeshadow@aol.com.

- ❖ **From Herald-Mage Danya. To: All. Re: Cookbook.** Our version of a Misty-related cookbook is still in progress. We are compiling a cookbook based on meals that Misty describes in the Velgarth series. If anyone is currently reading the books, could you note the book and page any food items are mentioned on and send them

to me at Legend@malcor.com? (We've been pulling some information from *The Valdemar Companion*, and we're getting quite a nice little list!) Thanks!



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