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# THE BEAR'S TALE

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May 2010

## Important Announcements

- ❖ VIVAT to those who completed the Newcomer's Quest—William Barbary and Justice!
- ❖ THANK YOU for everyone who helped with our Feast of Saint Pyre; It was an incredible day!
- ❖ The Shire recently had an Officer's Meeting at Mistress Rebecca's home. Minutes of this meeting are available on both our E-Group and Shire website, and a printed copy is available upon request. Contact Lady Yashoda for more information.
- ❖ Guild Meetings are as follows:
  - Sewing Guild: 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays, 7 o'clock at HE Rebecca Chadderton's home
  - Dance Guild: 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays, 7:30 at USU's Lundstrom Hall Conference Room
  - Brewers' Guild: 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays, 8 o'clock at Lord Beodin's home
- ❖ BECOME A STEWARD! We need an Event Steward for Shire Birthday. Contact Lord Beodin if interested.
- ❖ VOLUNTEER! We need volunteers for our Renaissance Fair. Contact Mistress Rebecca to help with this event. This is a perfect opportunity to complete a Newcomer's Quest item!
- ❖ What is the Newcomer's Quest? Ask Sabine to find out more!
- ❖ Have an announcement you'd like to see here? Contact Lady Yashoda to submit to the Bear's Tale.

## Resources

- ❖ [SCA.org](http://SCA.org)
- ❖ [Artemisia.sca.org](http://Artemisia.sca.org)
- ❖ [Coteduciel.org](http://Coteduciel.org)
- ❖ [Groups.yahoo.com/groups/cote-du-ciel](http://Groups.yahoo.com/groups/cote-du-ciel)
- ❖ Sign up for notices from our Kingdom, Artemisia:
  - [Lists.gallowglass.org/mailman/listinfo/Artemisia](http://Lists.gallowglass.org/mailman/listinfo/Artemisia)

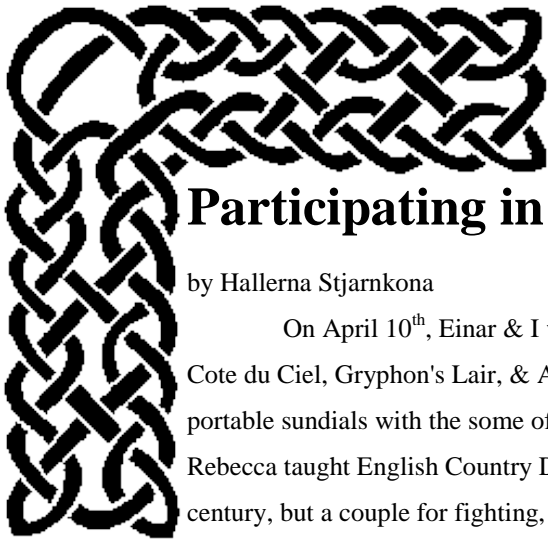
## Greetings!

We are the Shire of Cote du Ciel, a branch of the Society for Creative Anachronism; a medieval re-enactment society. Our main purpose is to research and portray the Middle Ages up to 17 century AD.

We meet at the Whittier Community Center Gym every Wednesday from 7 pm until 10 pm. It is encouraged to show up in period clothing, but if this is not within your capabilities we have clothing available for sale.

## Calendar

- ❖ MAY 1: Arrow's Flight—Kingdom Arts and Sciences
- ❖ MAY 5: Viking Garb with the Honorable Lady Tamar
- ❖ MAY 7-9: Arrow's Flight—Middle Eastern War
- ❖ MAY 8: Windgate—Mid-May Festival
- ❖ MAY 12: Beginning Calligraphy with Lord Beodin
- ❖ MAY 15: Arn Hold—A Tour of the Iberian Peninsula  
Crystal Crag—Gallow Games
- ❖ MAY 19: Japanese Garb (Kids and adults) with Lady Zoya
- ❖ MAY 21-23: Drachenfeld—Drachetod... Here There Be Dragons!
- ❖ MAY 22: Otherhill—Shire Birthday  
Cote du Ciel—Renaissance Fair
- ❖ MAY 26: Beginning Knotwork with Ladyship Heather
- ❖ MAY 28: Gryphon's Lair--Quest
- ❖ MAY 29-30: Bronzehelm—Conquest of the Wastelands
- ❖ JUN 2: Intermediate Knots with Ladyship Heather
- ❖ JUN 4-6: Castellone Nuovo—Gaelic Games
- ❖ JUN 5: Loch Salann—Melee Madness
- ❖ JUN 9: Camping 101 with Mistress Nina
- ❖ JUN 15-20: 1000 Eyes—Uprising XXIV
- ❖ JUN 23: Dance Night!
- ❖ JUN 26: Dragonsmarch—Artemisian Games XVII
- ❖ JUN 30: Astrology/Astronomy with Lady Hallerna and Sabine



## Participating in Kingdom Southern Collegium

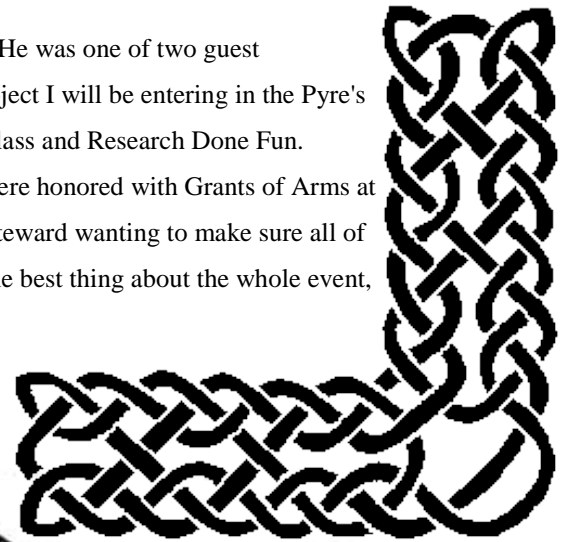
by Hallerna Stjarnkona

On April 10<sup>th</sup>, Einar & I went down to Loch Salann for the Kingdom Southern Collegium. Cote du Ciel, Gryphon's Lair, & Arrows' Flight were also involved in putting this event on. I made portable sundials with some of the kingdom's youth. Einar taught them about leather working, and Rebecca taught English Country Dances. There were eleven tracks of classes, mostly grouped by century, but a couple for fighting, one for youth, and one for dancing. The King was present, as were the Prince & Princess, and they held a *very* short court first thing in the morning.

Classes started right at 10 am, and mine was one of those first ones. The kids were excited about making something to take home with them. Getting to pound nails was a bonus. Even though we only had two hammers available, the kids were very patient about waiting their turn. And then we went outside to actually use their newly created sundials. Most of the kids in this class were from Arrows' Flight, they had fun, and I saw them wearing their sundials all day. I also had fun, but then I really enjoy teaching.

I made it to Master RanthulfR's Gothic Bookbinding class. He was one of two guest instructors from out-of-kingdom. To prepare for the (unfinished) project I will be entering in the Pyre's Arts & Sciences competition, I also attended the Medieval T-tunic class and Research Done Fun.

Lunch was provided by Lady Flora & Lord Aghren, who were honored with Grants of Arms at evening court. Evening court was quite a bit longer, with the event steward wanting to make sure all of the people who contributed got recognized, but it moved quickly. The best thing about the whole event, as usual, was meeting new people and greeting old friends.



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