Queen's Own

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Heyla, Misty fans!

Did anyone attend the online chat with Misty that was held in April? If so, could you write up a report for me? (I was unable to attend. A thousand apologies, but I'm truly insanely busy—see my private note below.)

This year, our ranks have reached 584 people with approved personae in Queen's Own: 476 Heralds, 9 Herald-Mages, 30 Bards, 1 Blue (Heyla, Devan!), 22 Healers, 3 Mercenaries, 11 Shin'a'in, 4 Sorceressess, 34 Tayledras and 2 "other" folks. The numbers don't entirely add up because of some crossover characters like our 6 Shin'a'in-Heralds, 1 Herald-Sorceress and 1 Shin'a'in-Mercenary. And the club wouldn't be complete without our stack of 29 NPC's: 16 Heralds (including 1 Shin'a'in-Herald), 4 Bards, 4 Healers, 1 Kal'enedral, and 4 Tayledras. There are 9 active chapters of QO, including 2 online chapters, and several chapters are up for adoption. If you are interested in joining or adopting a chapter, please visit http://www.dragonlordsnet.com/gochap.htm.

Publication News:

On May 1st, the mass-market paperback of When Darkness Falls, Book Three of the Obsidian Trilogy, will hit shelves. Also, keep your eyes (and ears!) open for an untitled Valdemar CD, the first in a series, available sometime in May.

Others with paperback preferences can anticipate the mass-market release of Music to My Sorrow: Bedlam's Bard (another collaboration with Rosemary Edghill) on August 28th.

A collaboration with James Mallory, *The Phoenix Unchained: Book One of the Enduring Flame* is scheduled for release on September 18th.

October will be a good month for Misty fans: the paperback version of *Aerie*, Book 4 in Misty's Dragon Jousters series, is due out on October 2nd; also on October 2nd, look for *Reserved for the Cat*, the fifth book in the Elemental Masters series.

Happy Spring!

Zhai'helleva,

Herald-Mage Adept Danya Winterborn

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Ren. Faires:

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

Arizona

MAY IN THE MEADOWS RENAISSANCE FAIRE. Website:

www.mayinthemeadows.com. E-mail: <u>devonshirefaire@yahoo.com</u>. Address: 1123 East Ninth Drive, Mesa, AZ 85204. Site Address: Prescott Valley Civic Center. Dates: 5/5/07 to 5/6/07. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

California

CAIN'S CROSSING RENAISSANCE FAIRE. Website:

www.cainscrossing.org. E-mail: dmcbroom@cainscrossing.org. Site Address: Auburn Regional Park, Richardson Drive, Auburn. Dates: 5/12/07 to 5/13/07. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. (Sunday till 5 p.m.)

FRAZIER MOUNTAIN SPRING JOUSTING TOURNAMENT. Website: www.jameszoppe.com. E-mail: redknight@jameszoppe.com. Address: 15568 Greenleaf Springs Road, Frazier Park, CA 93225. Dates: 5/6/07. Open: 4:30 p.m.

KORONABURG OLD WORLD RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL. Website:

www.renaissanceinfo.com. E-mail: <u>prince@renaissanceinfo.com</u>. Address: PO Box 1959, Corona, CA 92878. Site Address: Crossroads Riverview Park, Corona. Dates: 5/12/07 to 6/10/07. Open/Close: 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. (Sunday till 6 p.m.)

OJAI RENAISSANCE AND SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL. Website:

www.goldcoastfestivals.com. E-mail: goldcoastprod@msn.com. Address: 2219 East Thousand Oaks Boulevard, Thousand Oaks, CA 91362. Site Address: Lake Casitas, Ojai. Dates: 5/19/07 to 5/20/07. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

QUEEN BESS AND THE PIRATES. Website:

www.queenbessandthepyrates.com. E-mail: jroberts@ccdof.org. Address: 4413 East Ashcroft, Fresno, CA 93726. Site Address: Woodward Park. Dates: 5/5/07 to 5/6/07. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. (Sunday till 5 p.m.)

RENAISSANCE PLEASURE FAIRE: SPRING. Website:

<u>www.renfair.com</u>. Address: PO Box 1550, Irwindale, CA 91706. Site Address: Santa Fe Dam Recreation Area, 15501 East Arrow Highway, Irwindale. Dates: 4/7/07 to 5/20/07. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Colorado

HOLISTIC RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL. E-mail:

<u>the2002icequeen@yahoo.com</u>. Address: PO Box 566, Divide, CO 80814. Site Address: Ute Pass Cultural Center, 210 East Midland Avenue, Woodland Park. Dates: 5/19/07 to 5/20/07. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. (Sunday till 5 p.m.)

Florida

MANATEE RENAISSANCE FAIRE. Website:

<u>www.manateerenaissance.com</u>. E-mail: <u>movieproductions@aol.com</u>. Site Address: Manatee County Fairgrounds, Palmetto. Dates: 5/5/07 to 5/13/07. Open/Close: 9 a.m. to dusk.

Georgia

GEORGIA RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL. Website:

www.georgiarenaissancefestival.com. E-mail: info@garenfest.com. Address: PO Box 986, Fairburn, GA 30213. Site Address: Exit 61 off I-85. Dates: 4/14/07 to 6/3/07. Open/Close: 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Idaho

MOSCOW RENAISSANCE FAIRE. Website: www.moscowrenfair.org. E-mail: publicity@moscowrenfair.org. Address: Box 8848, Moscow, ID 83483. Site Address: East City Park, Moscow. Dates: 5/5/07 to 5/6/07. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to dusk (Sunday till 6 p.m.)

Illinois

SPRINGFIELD HIGHLAND GAMES. Website: www.central-illinois-celts.org/Highland%20Games.htm. Site Address: Illinois State Fairgrounds, Springfield. Dates: 5/19/07. Open/Close: 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Iowa

IOWA RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL & GATHERING O' CELTS. Website: www.iowarenfest.com. E-mail: gregfest@netins.net. Address: 508
Fourth Avenue North, Clear Lake, IA 50428. Site Address: Middle
Amana Park, Amana Colonies, near Iowa City, off I-80 and I-380. Dates: 5/4/07 to 5/6/07. Open/Close: 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

NEW WORLD FESTIVALS. Website: www.newworldfestivals.com. Address: PO Box 2, Merrill, WI 54452. Site Address: Iowa State Fairgrounds, Des Moines. Dates: 5/27/07 to 5/29/07. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. (till 5 p.m. on the 29th).

Maryland

THE MARYLAND FAIRY FEST. Website:

www.marylandfaeriefestival.org. E-mail: info@marylandfaeriefestival.org. Address: 11800 Broadmoor Lane, Upper Marlboro, MD 20772. Site Address: PG County Patuxent River Park. Dates: 5/19/07 to 5/20/07. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

WESTMINSTER RENAISSANCE FAIRE. Website:

www.westminsterfaire.org. E-mail: <u>delwell@westminsterfaire.org</u>. Address: 224 East Main Street, Westminster, MD 21157. Site Address: Carroll County Farm Museum. Dates: 5/26/07 to 5/28/07. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Michigan

MAYFAIRE. Website: www.mayfaireren.com. E-mail: mayfaireren@yahoo.com. Address: PO Box 2566, Portage, MI. Site Address: Calhoun County Fairgrounds, 720 Fair Street, Marshall. Dates: 5/19/07 to 5/28/07. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Mississippi

OCEAN SPRINGS RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL. Website:

www.oceansprings-ms.com/faire.htm. E-mail: stjohns@datasync.com. Address: 705 Rayburn Avenue, Ocean Springs, MS 39564. Site Address: Gulf Hills Resort, Ocean Springs. Dates: 5/5/07 to 5/7/07. Open/Close: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Missouri

GREATER ST. LOUIS RENAISSANCE FAIRE. Website:

<u>www.stlrenfaire.com</u>. E-mail: <u>info@stlrenfaire.com</u>. Address: 425 Spencer Road, St. Peters, MO 63376. Site Address: Rotary Park, Wentzville. Dates: 5/19/07 to 6/10/07. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

WAVERLY RENAISSANCE GATHERING. E-mail:

thornflower2000@yahoo.com. Address: 317 Leslie Street, Carrollton, MO 64633. Site Address: TBA. Dates: 5/5/07 to 5/6/07. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Nebraska

NEBRASKA RENAISSANCE FAIRE & MEDEIVAL PAGEANT. Website: www.nebfaire.com. E-mail: gregfest@netins.net. Address: 508 Fourth Avenue North, Clear Lake, IA 50428. Site Address: Giles Castle, 17272 Giles Road, Southwest Omaha. Dates: 5/26/07 to 5/28/07. Open/Close: 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Nevada

PEMBROOKE RENAISSANCE FAIRE. Website:

www.pembrookefaire.com. E-mail: pembrookefaire@sbcglobal.net. Address: PO Box 1982, Carson City, NV 80702. Site Address: Nevada State Fairgrounds. Dates: 5/19/07 to 5/20/07. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. (Sunday till 5 p.m.)

New Jersey

WEST WINDSOR LIONS RENAISSANCE FAIRE. Website:

www.eastkingdom.org . Address: PO Box 295, Princeton Junction, NJ 08550. Site Address: Mercer County Park, West Windsor. Dates: 5/19/07 to 5/20/07. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

New York

HUDSON VALLEY MAYFAIRE. Website: www.hvmayfaire.com. E-mail: info@mayfaire.com. Address: 319 Wall Street, Kingston, NY 12401. Site Address: Ulster County Fairgrounds. Dates: 5/5/07 to 5/6/07. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Ohio

MEDIEVAL MAY FAIRE. Website: www.ravenwoodcastle.com. E-mail: ravenwood@hocking.net. Address: 65666 Bethel Road, New Plymouth, OH 45654. Site Address: Ravenwood Castle, Hocking Hills Region, Southeast Ohio. Dates: 5/20/07 to 5/21/07. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

MEDIEVAL AND RENAISSANCE FAIRE AT OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

Website: http://cmrf.org.ohio-state.edu. E-mail: wolfspeaker621@yahoo.com. Address: PO Box 3614, Columbus, OH 43210. Site Address: South Oval at Ohio State University. Dates: 5/5/07. Open/Close: 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Oklahoma

OKLAHOMA RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL AT THE CASTLE AT

MUSKOGEE. Website: www.okcastle.com. E-mail: thecastle@thecastle.org. Address: 3400 Fern Mountain Road, Muskogee, OK 74401. Site Address: The Castle, 3400 Fern Mountain Road, Muskogee. Dates: First four weekends in May. Open/Close: 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Pennsylvania

FAIRIE FESTIVAL AT SPOUTWOOD FARM. Website:

<u>www.fairiefestival.net</u>. E-mail: <u>events@spoutwood.com</u>. Site Address: Spoutwood Farm, Glen Rock. Dates: 5/4/07 to 5/6/07. Open/Close: 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

MAY DAY FAIRIE FESTIVAL. Website: www.fairiefestival.net. E-mail: posie@posiefairy.com. Address: 727 North Pitt Street, Carlisle, PA

17013 Site Address: 4255 Pierceville Road, Glen Rock. Dates: 5/4/07 to 5/6/07. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. (Friday open at noon).

Tennessee

TENNESSEE RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL. Website: www.tnrenfest.com. Address: 2124 New Castle Road, Arrington, TN 37014 Site Address: Gwyn Castle, near Triune, 30 miles South of Nashville. Dates: 5/5/07 to 5/28/07. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Texas

SCARBOROUGH FAIRE, THE RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL. Website: www.scarboroughrenfest.com. E-mail: office@scarboroughrenfest.com. Address: PO Box 538, Waxahachi, TX 75168. Site Address: 2511 FM66, Waxahachie. Dates: 4/7/07 to 5/28/07. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Utah

UTAH RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL & FANTASY FAIRE. Website: www.utahrenfest.com. E-mail: itsbodily@aol.com. Site Address: Layton Commons Park, Payton. Dates: 5/11/07 to 5/20/07. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Virginia

VIRGINIA RENAISSANCE FAIRE. Website: www.varf.org. E-mail: ootw@virginiaren.info. Address: 5436 Lomax Way, Woodbridge, VA 22193. Site Address: Lake Anna Winery, VA. Dates: 5/19/07 to 6/17/07. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Washington

A FESTIVAL FOR MAY. Website: www.camlann.org/may-fest.htm. Address: 10320 Kelly Road Northeast, Carnation, WA 98014. Site Address: Four miles North of Carnation. Dates: 5/5/07 to 5/6/07. Open/Close: noon to 6 p.m.

Wisconsin

CAMBRIDGE RENAISSANCE FAIRE. Website:

www.cambridgerenfaire.com. E-mail: jimcaerns@charter.net. Address: PO Box 272, Cambridge, WI 53523. Site Address: Ripley Park, Park Road 1/4 mile East of downtown. Dates: 5/19/07 to 5/20/07. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. (Sunday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.)

JANESVILLE RENAISSANCE FAIRE. Website:

http://jvlfaire.gsmbrisol.org. E-mail: jvlfaire@gsmbristol.org. Address: PO Box 2932, Janesville, WI 53545. Site Address: Traxler Park, Janesville. Dates: 5/19/07 to 5/20/07. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

WODEN THOR MEDIEVAL FESTIVAL AND JOUST. Website:

www.tribewodenthor.org/festival. E-mail: admin@tribewodenthor.org. Address: E13873 County Road D, LaFarge, WI 54639. Site Address: Wild West Days Grounds, Nelson Parkway. Dates: 5/26/07 to 5/28/07. Open/Close: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Canada

GREGOR'S CROSSING MEDIEVAL FAIRE. Website:

<u>www.gregorscrossing.com</u>. E-mail: <u>ccartier_89@sympatico.ca</u>. Site Address: Thames Grove Conservation Area, Chatham, Ontario. Dates: 5/31/07 to 6/3/07.

For additional Ren. Faire information, visit the Renaissance Faire Homepage at http://www.renfaire.com/, the Renaissance Festival Directory at http://www.renaissancefestival.com/rendir.asp, and the Renaissance Magazine site at http://www.renaissancemagazine.com.

Conventions:

These are the upcoming cons we know about. Have any information about conventions in your area? Send it to us at Legend@malcor.com.

California

FANGORIA'S WEEKEND OF HORRORS. Website:

<u>www.creationent.com/cal/stgs.htm.</u> E-mail: <u>creatickets@creationent.com</u>. Site Address: Burbank Airport Marriott Hotel, 2500 Hollywood Way, Burbank. Dates: 5/18/07 to 5/20/07.

Florida

OASIS 20. Website: www.oasfis.org. Site Address: International Plaza Resort and Spa, 10100 International Drive, Orlando. Dates: 5/25/07 to 5/27/07.

Illinois

WINDY CITY PULP AND PAPER CONVENTION. Website: www.windycitypulpandpaper.com . Site Address: Sheraton Chicago Northwest, 3400 West Euclid Avenue, Arlington Heights. Dates: 5/4/07 to 5/6/07.

Minnesota

STAR TREK CREATION CON. Website: www.creationent.com. E-mail: creatickets@creationent.com. Site Address: Marriott Minneapolis City Center, 30 South Seventh Street, Minneapolis. Dates: 5/4/07 to 5/6/07.

Missouri

CONQUEST 38. Website: www.kcsciencefiction.org. Site Address: Airport Hilton, 8801 Northwest 112th Street, Kansas City. Dates: 5/25/07 to 5/26/07.

Montana

MISCON 21. Website: www.miscon.org. Site Address: Ruby's Inn and Convention Center, 4825 North Reserve, Missoula. Dates: 5/25/07 to 5/28/07.

Utah

CONDUIT XVII: SHADOWS OF CONDUIT. Website:

http://conduit.sfcon.org. Site Address: Radisson Hotel Salt Lake City, 215 West South Temple, Salt Lake City. Dates: 5/25/07 to 5/27/07.

Canada

KEYCON007. Website: http://keycon.org. Site Address: Radisson Winnipeg Downtown, 288 Portage Avenue, Winnepeg. Dates: 5/18/07 to 5/21/07.

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.

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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 OO. 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 Sha@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 art of this great chapter of Queen's Own, please contact Earthshower k'Valdemar at thewrathofyourmom@hotmail.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 picts 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, 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 to keep costs at \$5.00 payable in U.S. funds or 12 IRCs. Make checks payable to "Kendra Renaud". The fee covers the cost of printing and mailing; you may share (but not duplicate!) copies of the fanzine. Watch the Oueen's Own newsletter for release dates. Issues 4, 5 and 6 are currently in the editing stages! Each zine will have about 10 personas for a total of 30 personas that have been accepted in the last couple of years. For the contents list for issues 1,2, and 3 and additional information, visit http://www.dragonlordsnet.com/gozine.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)
- o *Fire Eyes \$4.40 (43 pages, b/w cover)*
- o Shards of Autumn out of print, see note below
- o 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.

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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 will get to them as soon as I can.)

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.

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 <u>Legend@malcor.com</u>, 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 (<u>sazimarc@mindspring.com</u>)
- ➤ Bard Valiena (<u>laughsong@aol.com</u>)
- > Guardsman Faolan Ixran (Timmeu@scubadiving.com)
- Guardsman Vena LaRue (eflynt@starrtech.net)
- ➤ Herald Alia Melyngar (aliamelyngar@aol.com)
- ➤ Herald Alora Vadel (unicornalora2@aol.com)
- ➤ Herald Areolyn T-rel (com)
- ➤ Herald Artavash Keletal (tmschneiderman@attbi.com)
- Herald Charna (<u>sprncer@pacifier.com</u>)
- Herald Chonni Brightwolf (<u>bobkat98@shaw.ca</u>)
- ➤ Herald Crystona Devanth Shekrevalas (crys@stny.rr.com)
- ➤ Healer Darnellon Gaither (mdprier@aol.com)
- Herald Darvith (goddess@universalmail.com)
- ➤ Herald Deborah (sjupiterdebi@home.com)
- ➤ Herald Fiona L'Aren (jaime@divagypsy.com)
- ➤ Herald Ian Hawkwood (ianhawke1@aol.com)
- ➤ Herald Jolee Alsierra (tinkrbel@spiritone.com)
- Herald-Mage Apprentice Kadia Linder (Kadia@aol.com)
- ➤ Herald Kaki (knotes93@simons-rock.edu)
- > Herald Kandellessa Revwyn Sevron (del ashke@hotmail.com)
- ➤ Herald Kendryl Shadowwolf (kscarpat@altavista.com)
- ➤ Herald Keri Starfire/Mountainheart (WaltherM@imefdf.usmc.mil)
- ➤ Herald Kesha Trishaya Layven (em290@cam.ac.uk)
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- ➤ Herald Laliea Shathgran (mcquilkt@bellsouth.net)
- ➤ Herald Lisbeth Maye (wizardshome@hotmail.com)
- ➤ Herald Liselle Aravon (rusalka@nac.net)
- ➤ Herald Maia Cinhil Morgan (lorilua@iname.com)
- ➤ Herald Meshel Willowlark (chell cornett@knology.net)
- ➤ Herald Miracle Oceanfire (rhyme_reason@hotmail.com)
- > Herald Paf (jaro@attbi.com)
- ➤ Herald Rhea Windsong (psistriker@worldnet.att.net)
- > Herald Riana Malkor (iko san@hotmail.com)
- ➤ Herald Robihane (Tevye@speakintosilence.com)

- ➤ Herald Taeryn (<u>transamom@aol.com</u>)
- ➤ Herald Tobias Mider (coy.stout@verizon.net)
- ➤ Healer Brandyn Pendar (<u>brandegore@insightbb.com</u>)
- ➤ Healer Tamesin na Coille (<u>brindle@bellsouth.net</u>)
- Shin'a'in Leshya'edrin shena Pretera'sedrin (gwenaelle_98@yahoo.com)
- Tayledras Mage Autumnwynd k'Vaia (autumnwynd@aol.com)
- Tayledras Blackwolf k'Vala (HRHIce@aol.com)
- Tayledras Scout Brightshadow k'Vala (clueless_guy2@yahoo.com)
- ➤ Tayledras Adept Oceanlaughter k'Shira (littlesweetchef@aol.com)
- Tayledras Healer Adept Sierra k'Treva (katsanders@buffymail.com)
- ➤ Tayledras Mage Silentheart k'Chona (michelle@lovesickchick.com)
- ➤ Tayledras Healer Adept Skydance k'Chona (Sttawylime@hotmail.com)
- Tayledras Master Skydance k'Shira (<u>skydancekshira@hotmail.com</u>)
- Tayledras Scout Skyfire k'Chona (logroth@hotmail.com)
- Tayledras Healer Adept Winterfire k'Tayle (garou@netspeed.com.au)
- White Winds Sorceress Cime Shadow Weaver (<u>cimeshadow@aol.com</u>)

If you know any of these folks, please have them contact Danya at Legend@malcor.com with a current e-mail address.

From Herald-Mage Adept Danya Winterborn:

Heyla, folks!

Eesh! As promised, here's just a few of the things that have landed on my platter this month:

- I was elected PTA president of my daughter's elementary school last Tuesday.
- I'm a Brownie Girl Scout leader whose troop is expanding to include Daisy and Junior Scouts (and, yes, we're even about to have Cadette Juliette Scouts start meeting with us as well).
- I'm editing four articles for publication in a scholarly journal.

- I just finished giving a paper (and chairing my first panel!) at the Western States Folklore Society meeting at UCLA.
- I have four books in progress that editors are screaming for.
- I have encyclopedia articles in press that I'm trying to revise before deadline (which is altogether too soon).
- I'm about to start directing the Variety Show at my daughter's school
- I'm homeschooling my eldest son.
- My eldest son had his "Open House" last week where he performed his magic act and won a "Special Achievement Award" for his mission project.
- My youngest son had his "Open House" on Sunday.
- My daughter has her "Open House" and "Science Fair" coming up on May 24th.
- I'm "Room Mother" for my daughter's class, and we're coming up on the end of the year.
- I volunteer weekly in my daughter's class as well as doing the school bulletin board.
- I'm on the editorial board for an academic journal, and I'm reviewing and editing articles for publication.
- Oh, and there's Queen's Own <g>. (Thank you so much for being patient with me!)

The fun part is that my interview with National Geographic (on King Arthur) is supposed to air this Monday, May 7, 2007, at 10 PM (repeating on the Tuesday, May 8, 1 AM and Sunday, May 13, 6 PM). (No, I don't know the time zones, but I'm assuming it varies, depending on your cable company.) The name of the series is "Is it Real?" For more information see:

http://channel.nationalgeographic.com/channel/ET/popup/200705072 200.html.

Now, the caveat is that you film these things, and you never know if you make the final cut. Plus, I don't get the National Geographic Channel on my cable service, so I won't know if I do or do not appear <g>. Please tell me if I do!

Zhai'helleva,

Danya

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Personals:

- ❖ 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 <u>DeathrockCliffy@aol.com</u>.
- ❖ 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!
- ❖ From Ellen Million: Not only is Ellen Million Graphics still around (ten years last October!), but I now offer an array of gorgeous new work by new artists, on many new products (including t-shirts!) and a brand new character portrait service. Ordering is available

on-line or by snail mail: http://www.ellenmilliongraphics.com. I'd also love to get back in touch with lost penpals! (Use the contact form on the website to avoid death-by-spam-filters!)

- TO EVERYONE who enjoys Misty's world and the vast realm of fantasy in general . . . ANGELA K. SCOTT CREATIONS is still around! You may remember my humble business from past QO (snail-mailed) newsletters. I sell fantasy & M. Lackey-related stationery and bookmarks; Heralds, Shin'a'in, faeries, unicorns, magic, and more! I now offer cards (in packs) with 22 fantasy & scifi designs to choose from, as well a special line of cat-angel cards I call my "Furry Angel Series". I do commissioned artwork as well- please contact me for further details. Gift Certificates are available as well! I am still relatively new to owning a computer & setting up a system (need a scanner!), so I do not have an online version of my 'business'. I'm working on having my merchandise booklet up on my homepage or some way to view merchandise & order info, etc. I know "snail-mail" is a foreign concept to some people, though I still enjoy communicating this way, BUT if you'd like to receive my 6+ page merchandise booklet please contact me: Angela K. Scott-Gosnell, 217 Spear Drive, Fort Bragg, NC 28307. *PLEASE enclose SASE, which is a stamped envelope with your address on it. I will get the requested booklet mailed back to you ASAP! Thanks to all of my past and current customers, and hope to hear from you!
- ❖ 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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The featured artist for the online version of the newsletter is still being recruited <g>. If you would like your art to be featured in the online version of the QO newsletter, send .gifs or .jpgs to <u>Legend@malcor.com</u> or hardcopy to Queen's Own, P.O. Box 749, Laguna Beach, CA 92652.

Fanmail Note: Mercedes Lackey does not receive mail at the Queen's Own address. Fanmail to Mercedes Lackey and releases for fan fiction should be sent to:

Mercedes Lackey c/o Paul Fisher 16525 E 470 Rd. Claremore OK 74017

The online version of this newsletter will be available with artwork at http://www.dragonlordsnet.com/qonews.htm within a few days.

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Herald-Mage Adept Danya Winterborn