

As The Sword Turns

The Official Castle Wall Productions Newsletter



Current Clack

Here we are only one month into the new year and already a myriad of changes have been made. We have had three new members join Castle Wall Productions Kenny Bore, Laramie William and Tara Hughes ...welcome! Several seasoned veterans have moved on to pursue other endeavors in their lives, they are Randy Bowker, Rebecca Hill, and Jewel Lehman...good luck. Castle Wall has secured events for the upcoming year and is securing more, several of which are very unique (more to come in the following months). Remember we need sell ads for the Colorado Medieval Faire as this generates money for all.

And finally several past members of Castle Wall Productions have decided to start their own live steel group; lets all wish them luck and applaud their efforts...Good Luck!

-----Eric Medved

Practice Makes Perfect

Recently we conducted run throughs of all but a few fights. All of these fights have great potential however as of this time each and every fight needs a great deal of work. Every aspect of these fights must work; even the smallest of details that are overlooked can be a distraction and can affect the fight. When you practice weather it is an established fight or a new one it is imperative that you work them as if you are performing in front of an audience no matter how small or large the piece you are working.

A great example is during my fight with Eric I made a comment after slipping on the grass; this comment interrupted the entire fight, throwing both participants off. Had I not made this comment we could have recovered and continued the fight making adjustments and no one would have been the wiser.

In the coming months Eric, the trainers and myself will be scrutinizing all of the fights, keep an open mind as we make suggestions, comments and critiques. It is our intention to bring out the best in each fight and fighter, so when it is show time you have confidence in yourself, your partner(s) and your performance.

In closing I' am exited to see what I believe is the best Castle Wall show to date. In my opinion this is the year Castle Wall will be "put on the map" we are destined to be the premiere medieval combat group not only the Rocky Mountain Region but in the entire state. We will make this happen, Huzzah!!!

-----Jeff Baker

From the Heralds Horn

Unfortunately time constraints and technical difficulties have pushed the debut of the Castle Wall web site back a bit, but have no fear it is progressing and will be coming soon. Castle Wall is still looking for a PR lead so if you think you have what it takes let Eric or Jeff know. Many thanks to Melissa for stepping up as spokes person for the PR team during the interim.

-----Alan Shaklee

Tales Of The Anvil

All good things come to those who wait; Castle Wall weapons department has secured the skills of a real honest to goodness smith. Lets give a hearty welcome to Mr. Jayce Michaelson CWP's own smithy.

The weapons maintenance and manufacturing is an ongoing process and because it does takes a considerable time to keep all of the weapons in an active status, please be careful not to drop them on the cement as this puts much unneeded ware and tare on them.

We are currently investigating the development, manufacturing and implementation of heavy weapons in the coming months; this will round out our combat repertoire and will be included in our next season agenda. If any one has any suggestions or ideas please let Eric or myself know.

The weapons team consists of:

Jeff Baker – Team Lead
Jayce Nicholson - Smithy
Eric Medved – Design, Handles
Seth Aspen
Chris Baker
Mack Aspen
Brendon Baker

-----Jeff Baker

Nothing more completely baffles one who is full of trick and duplicity, than straightforward and simple integrity in another.

Charles Caleb Colton

The Tailors Bench

We have added help in the field of costumes Wilma Bartmess mother of our own Rowena has agreed to help out. Expect to wear costumes in the next month or so we can check their workability, in particular those that will be wearing skirts.

-----Gerry Daubert

Ring Time

Hello and welcome to the Castle Wall Productions armor team section. The vender of our shields (Armadillo Armory) was so impressed by our modifications that we made in order to make the shields fight ready, he has sent the specifications to his manufacturer so that he can implement those changes into the production of his combat shields. The helmets should be fitted within the next month, and the chain mail continues to be weaved, so expect to see several suits of chain out on the field. Our focus in the upcoming months will shift to leather armor for several of our characters.

-----Eric Medved

Castle Custodian's Closet

Not much in this area but we hope to get a team lead soon. Again keep on the lookout for any interesting items that Castle Wall could use. One of our prime focuses is a trailer so remember that and keep on the lookout. In addition we need several prop weapons for several of our non-fighting characters, the headsman for example, we just need the right price for them so again keep your eyes peeled.

-----Eric Medved

Merchants Booth

The merchandising team is under new management and we have already several fun and interesting things in the works. First and foremost we need to sell, sell, sell we have a lot of non-period merchandise and we need to get

out to our adoring public, even before our official season kicks off.

We have many talented individuals in or associated with Castle Wall that have items that they craft. Castle Wall Productions will assist them through a number of means to bring their products to the public for sale, in turn this will profit both the individual and Castle Wall Productions. Remember that every single member of Castle Wall is technically on the merchandise team, but there is a core team that will handle marketing and sales strategies, they are as of this date the following people:

Judy Boren – Team Lead

Eric Medved

Jeff Baker

Lori Tweedale

Rachel Boren

Bethany Medved

-----Judy Boren

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Calendar for February 2005

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		cmf. meet			armor party	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
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27	28					
practice						

Friends Of Castle Wall



This issue of As The Sword Turns includes contact info for Celtic Knotistry one of very own past members (Tia Smith) business. Check out their web sites, e-mail them, buy their products or use their services, but support them, they support us.

In Closing

A new year, a new volume, new info and new people, Castle Wall is setting the standard for both entertainment and theater in the round. We as Castle Wall are attempting to build an extended family in a business environment. I realize this may seem contradictory, but it is our focus to make our people as comfortable as possible as this will show through to our audience, patrons and those that use our services at their faires.

-----Eric Medved