

As The Sword Turns

The Official Castle Wall Productions Newsletter



Current Clack

This month sees us ever closer to our season opener and the beginning of a brand-new show season. We have added to our roster yet another member Ken “Fred” who will be our Phillip of Cornwall. Unfortunately Laramie Williams real life job has taken him away, hopefully we will see you in the futer. Long time Castle Wall alumni Becca Hill visited us at the end of March while on hiatus from her job...Hi Becca! Our season is fast approaching with ONLY seven practices left before our season opener. And our season this year looks to be full but not overly so...

May 20, 21	OPUS Fest.
May 22	CWP Season Opener
June 3,4,5	Colorado Medieval Fest.
June 11,12	Kiowa Celtic Fest.
July	?
August	?
September	?

There you have it those months with question marks have either not been locked in or not scheduled as of yet. There are dates scheduled in prep for these events but they will be discussed at practice and announced on the monthly calendar. Keep your eyes and ears peeled for updates and more information.

-----Eric Medved

Practice Makes Perfect

Well its that time again ladies and gentlemen, the time for us to remind

you that there are only seven practices to go before our season opener. Not to worry though; many of you may be concerned that we wont be ready on time... every year it comes to this and every year through our dedication and hard work we pull together a great show. Many of our fights are near ready and those that are not are getting there, with a little more hard work they will be as pretty as a pressed suit. One thing of note though even if you “know” your fight it is imperative that you keep practicing it, every fight has something that can be worked on. It has come to that time of year when we all need to pull together and really start working out the bugs that will make an OK fight into a great fight, this in turn will make the show top rate.

Watch that melee a lot of the hand to hand is slipping and every one needs to solidify that aspect of their fights, in addition work on your projection as always whether or not you can be heard by our audience is vitally important. With that being said it is also that time of year when mild heat combined with a nice breeze can trick us into thinking our body doesn't need water. Remember to keep hydrated and use sunscreen. Again seven more practices until the season opener which has the potential to be the best any of us have seen yet. Keep up the good work, trainers will be around to tweak fights and make them flow a little better, as and observer they can see outside of a fight and recognize things you might.

-----Seth Aspen

From The Heralds Horn

I wont bore you with the website information this time... it's still the same, I want to talk about something else... volunteerism. We all volunteer to Castle Wall, some more than others and some in different capacities but one thing you should always do is believe in the product and give 100% to what you are doing while you are there. I can speak with some knowledge about this since Eric and Myself our working on a movie where volunteerism is a key aspect of getting it done. Castle Walls direction is that of a fun, entertaining if not eventually profitable business. You get out of it what you put into it. As someone once said many children want to play on the playground merry go round but only those who actually push get to ride it.

-----Alan Shaklee

Tales Of The Anvil

New weapons continue to be added, and we will start a cleanup of all weapons within the upcoming weeks. Remember to care for the weapons, as they are Castle Walls tools of the trade so to speak.

-----Jeff Baker

High aims form high characters, and great objects bring out great minds.

Tyron Edwards

The Tailors Bench

If you are making your own costume and have not yet seen me about it do so by April 10 2005 Remember we must have ALL costumes ready by April 17 2005 at the very latest. We will begin costume run throughs at that time, this is to see if any costume does not work with a fight and allow us enough time to alter it. This is called a dress rehearsal and they are needed.

-----Gerry Daubert

Ring Time

This may seem like a strange topic in the armor section but read on...

Everyone should be stretching but those individuals that wear armor need to take some extra time to stretch out, the armor is heavy and weighs between 35-45 lbs. If you do not stretch out there could be repercussions such as torn or stressed muscles and that is something we as a group or individual don't need.

We now have three suits of almost completed chain on the field with a forth half way done. Prince Johns hybrid armor (chain and plates), and some leather armor is being worked on. Three shields one wooden, two metal are now always at practice, the helmets will be padded and ready to wear very soon .

-----Eric Medved

Castle Custodian's Closet

Still no changes here remember a packrat mentality is what we need if you think we can use it get it. Again barrels and creates, a trailer etc. In addition to old leather coats or belts or clothing (these will go to either armor or costumes)

-----Eric Medved

Merchants Booth

Essentially everyone is part of the merchandising team in the aspect of

We all need to sell the product we have. Family and friends all should have a bumper sticker on their vehicles (only \$2.00). What about the office, everyone needs insulated coffee cups (\$5.00) and there is more, any questions see me.

For those wanting tank tops for the summer you need to get that order in we need a minimum of ten items to place that order. There is a number of cool items such as tank top, hoodies, bathrobes, leather bags and a lot more. See Eric or myself for the list of prices. The key is to sell, sell, sell!

-----Judy Boren

In Closing

The time is here to buckle down and work hard to get ready for our season is a little less than two months. There are some special plans for this newsletter in the future months so keep watching. Another letter and another month

-----Eric Medved

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Calendar for April 2005

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
					1	2
					armor party	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
practice						
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
practice					armor party	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
practice						CMF cleanup
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
practice					armor party	

Friends Of Castle Wall

This issue of As The Sword Turns includes contact info for Mountain Dragon's Lost Treasures. Check them out hit the web site, e-mail them , buy their products or use their services; but support him, they supports us.

The Fighting Screen

This month's film is an old dusty one from the vault.

The Sword & the Sorcerer: this film is cheese, but cheese at its best. Made in the 80's this film follows the life of a mercenary named Talon and his war against the evil king Cromwell, throw in a demonic wizard Xusia and you have a fun film, a cinematic happy meal if you must. Good sets, costumes and makeup, a good story, ok acting and some interesting swordplay particularly with Talons sword, which has three blades, two that can magically shoot off. There is some minor nudity. **B-**