

# MOOSE CALL

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I would like to impress the importance of sharing thoughts and/or ideas, however small or trivial they may sound. From these ideas we may be able to incorporate them into an activity or function.

I hope you can understand and appreciate the direction of my thoughts, and share them with me to make this Shire the most active in the Kingdom.

In Service to the Crown,  
Avaris ibn-Hashashin al-Abd Shams  
Seneschal

MY LORDS AND LADIES,  
GENTLES OF THE SHIRE OF ARN HOLD

WHERE ARE THE GUILDS THAT WERE SUGGESTED?

WHERE ARE THE PERSONS THAT SUGGESTED THEM?

WHY HAVEN'T THEY FORMED AND BECOME AN ACTIVE PARTS IN OUR SHIRES ACTIVITIES AND FUNCTIONING?

WHAT HAPPENED TO THE PEOPLE WHO WERE SO ANXIOUS TO SHOW INTEREST, AT LEAST VERBALLY?

AS WE ARE ALL AWARE THE ARTS AND SCIENCES ARE AN INTERGRAL PART OF THE PERIODS WE PORTRAY AND WITHOUT THESE OUR PERSONAS, MORE IMPORTANTLY, OUR SHIRE IS FOUND LACKING. WITHOUT ACTIVE GUILDS SUPPORTING OUR SHIRE WE CAN REST ASSURED THAT WE WILL NOT BECOME A BARONY FOR QUITE SOME TIME, MUCH LESS REMAIN A SHIRE.

GENTLES, WITHOUT ACTIVE GUILDS WE ARE LOOSING ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT TOOLS AT OUR DISPOSAL FOR PERSONA DEVELOPMENT AND GROWTH. IMAGINE BEING ABLE TO GO TO A GUILDS AND ACQUIRING SOME KNOWLEDGE AND/OR ACCESSORIES FOR YOUR PERSONNA. SIMPLY BEING A MEMBER OF A GUILD AND BEING ABLE TO SHARE KNOWLEDGE AND ABILITIES, YOUR GIFTS AND TALENTS, SHOULD BE INCENTIVE ENOUGH FOR THE MEMBERS OF OUR SHIRE TO INITIATE OR SUPPORT, ACTIVELY, A GUILD OF THEIR INTEREST.

I DO HOPE THE SHARING OF MY THOUGHTS WILL HELP MOTIVATE THOUGHT AND ACTIONS WITHIN YOU!

SIGNED ANNONYMOOSE

My people of the Shire of Arn Hold I am very Disappointed in certain aspects of the deveopment of the Shire as of late.

As you may be aware, we have been striving to become a Barony or Province. At this point in time it is rumored we may not even remain a Shire, for we are found lacking.

So, Now I am seeting some goals for YOU to obtain.

I would like to see more people autocrating events, rather than the few who always have in the past. We have more new members than ever before. What better way to become more active in the S.C.A. than to autocrat an event, you may want to co-autocrat with someone who has already, or is willing to do so.

I would like to see at least one or more local events a month. It would be best that they should be scheduled on the second or fourth weekend of the month, since kingdom events are usually the first weekend and regional events are on the third weekend. If there are any questions contact your Seneschal.

Through-out my travels through the Kingdom, I have seen that guilds play an important part in the growth and development of S.C.A. personnas, as well as expanding the Shire's research abilities, it also provides activities for the MANY non-combatant members of the Shire. If you are interested in starting a guild contact me, your Seneschal, and I will start you in the proper direction.

I reccommend that all members of the S.C.A. attend ALL meetings and local events to the best of their ability. (Which means more than in the past.) If there is a problem with transportation contact the Seneschal before-hand.

At this time I would like to extend my most sincere gratitude to those few who have kept the Shire active, and I would like to be able to say the same for everyone in the VERY NEAR future.

NOV 3.....SHIRE OFFICERS MEETING

NOV 30.....MOOSES BIRTHDAY REVEL -ARN HOLD

DEC 1.....SHIRE OFFICERS MEETING

JAN 5.....SHIRE OFFICERS MEETING

#### GREETINGS:

AS A MATTER OF POLICY THE MOOSE<sup>h</sup> CALL HAS AVOIDED PUBLISHING ANY CONTROVERSIAL OR NEGATIVE VIEWS DEALLING WITH THE SHIRE. THIS NOVEMBER ISSUE IS AN EXCEPTION TO THAT POLICY. OUR SHIRE HAS BEEN UNFORTUNATE IN HAVE SEVERAL OF OUR LAST EVENTS CANCELED AND/OR POORLY ATTENDED. IT IS A NECESSITY, AT THE PRESENT TIME TO AIR OUR FRUSTRATIONS AND OUR CONCERNS ABOUT THE SHIRES FUTURE. AS CHRONICLER, I DO APOLOGIZE FOR ANY HURT THAT MAY COME FROM THIS ISSUE. I HAVE TRIED TO KEEP PERSONAL REFERENCES OUT OF THE ISSUE.

I WOULD LIKE TO POINT OUT TO THE PEOPLE OF THE SHIRE OF ARN HOLD THAT SOME OF THE GOALS OF OUR GROUP IN THE PAST HAVE BEEN SELF-DEFEATING NOT TO MENTION DESTRUCTIVE.

THE AMBITIOUS SEEKING OF THE STATUS OF BARONY IS ONE OF THE STUMBLING BLOCKS OUR GROUP MUST DEAL WITH. THE SHIRE OF ARN HOLD WILL ONLY BECOME A BARONY AFTER WE HAVE BECOME SUCCESFUL AS A SHIRE. THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN A GROUP, IN NO WAY DETERMINES THE FITNESS OF A GROUP FOR BARONY STATUS.

I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO POINT OUT THAT THE SCA IS GROUP OF PEOPLE THAT CAN GET TOGETHER AND HAVE A GREAT DEAL OF FUN EXCHANGING IDEAS. WE HAVE BEEN KNOWN TO COME UP WITH CREATIVE SOLUTIONS TO DIFFICULT PROBLEMS.

YOURS IN SERVICE,  
LADY ERRICA DE CREAU

AN ARTS AND SCIENCES TOURNEY WILL BE HELD FOR THOSE WHO NEED TO DO SOMETHING WITH THE ITEMS THEY CREATED FOR THE CANCELLED EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER. (ERRICA CAN'T FIGURE OUT WHAT TO DO WITH HER ITEMS!)

IN THE BEGINNING, THERE WAS THE MOOSE....

HE FROLICED AMID A BACKGROUND OF THE LAUGHTER OF THE GODS.

HE WAS SUCH A ROTTEN DANCER THAT FINALLY THE GOD OF DANCE ETERNALLY BOUND HIS FEET TO THE EARTH. (THE ORIGINAL PARTY POOP!)

THE GOD OF LAUGHTER TOOK EXCEPTION TO THIS ACTION AND DECREED THAT FOR ONE DAY A YEAR THE MOOSE COULD DANCE AT HIS OWN BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION. IT IS THIS CELEBRATION THAT ANNUALLY TAKES PLACE IN THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER.

ERRICA DE CREAU, HEARING RUMORS THAT NO ONE HAD PLANNED A BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR THE MOOSE HAS DECIDED TO AUTOCRAT THIS EVENT. SHE LOVES A GOOD LAUGH. IN ORDER TO CELEBRATE SHE NEEDED A SITE. SHE KIDNAPPED SEVERAL LITTLE GIRL SCOUTS. AS A RANSOM, SHE DEMMANDED USE OF FREINDSHIP SQUARE ON THE NIGHT OF NOVEMBER 30TH.

ERRICA, KNOWING THAT THE MOOSE NEEDS SUSTANANCE FOR HIS YEARLY DANCE OF MIRTH, HAS DECIDED THAT FOR THE FEE OF ONE POT LUCK DISH, ALL COMERS SHALL BE ALLOWED TO JOIN THE CELEBRATION.

ALL CELEBRANTS SHALL BE ADVISED THAT THE LAUGHTER TENDS TO CAUSE PARCHED THROATS. BEVERAGES ARE NOT PROVIDED. (ERRICA IS A CLUTCH-FISTED FEMALE.)

THERE WILL BE A BOFFER-OFF. (ERRICA'S TERM FOR A BOFFER TOURNEY).

THE SITE WILL BE OPEN AT 3:00 PM AND WILL CLOSE AFTER THE AUTOCRAT GETS BORED. (MIDNIGHT--ERRICA ACTUALLY TURNS INTO A WART AT MIDNIGHT.)

BRING YOUR OWN PLATES AND UTENSILS AND PILLOWS TO SIT UPON OR THROW AT ONE ANOTHER. (ERRICA DOESN'T SEEM TO TAKE ANYTHING SERIOUSLY THESE DAYS!)

