

THE IANDA TIMES

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Note: Though the Landa Times is based in the city of Landa it is not associated with the city. The management accepts no responsibility for views expressed herein. The times reserves the right to edit articles submitted.

Any news, articles, poems, gossip, schedules, paintings, jokes you have, please send them to the editor. You are looking for a free companion, a slave, an assassin? Advertisements are very welcome.

EDITORIAL

“There is a crowd ahead,” I said, “at the public boards.”

“They seem angry,” he said.

(Magicians of Gor)

The City of Landa continues to grow and prosper. Her most important resource, continues to be her citizens.

Merchants establish trade with other cities of Gor. A Head Merchant will be elected by the Caste this week. Warriors continue to protect the city and ensure the safety of all. The Physicians are keeping citizens healthy and training apprentices to ensure the health of Landa continues over time. The White Caste oversees the spiritual guidance of the city. The Blue Caste ensures the city has all the required paperwork and legal functions are met to ensure the efficiency of the government.

The High Council (with representatives of all Castes) and Administrator ensure policies and laws are passed that benefit the city, as a whole.

Landa is a unique, beautiful and simple city. New citizens are coming every hand and offering their best. Long live Landa!

Sherman Easterwood
Praetor/Magistrate of Landa

CITY NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- LANDA SCHEDULE

Monday

Meeting HoY slaves only, HoY Kennel (02/20/2012, 12 pm SLT)
Topics: slave attire part 1, silk colors, the hair of a slave on Gor

Wednesday

Red Caste training in the Arena (02/22/2012, 2 pm SLT)
Grappling, binding and aiding

FC Ceremony Sir Pyro and Lady Jade (02/22/2012, 3:30 pm SLT)
All of Landa is invited

Thursday

Merchants Meeting (02/23/2012, 5 pm SLT, Black Giani Inn)
Topic: electing of an head merchant

Friday

OPEN HOUSE AND GATES IN LANDA (no raids between 10 am and 5 pm SLT)
Visitors are very welcome!

Friday

Meeting Roleplay Lesson Landa 3, teaching room of the slaverhouse (upstairs)
(02/24/2012, 1 pm SLT)
Topic: Geography and animals of Gor
ALL FREE AND SLAVES CAN JOIN!

Friday

Ceremony of the appointment of lady Dahyiah as full physician (02/24/2012, 2 pm SLT)

Saturday

Mock raid (02/25/2012, 3 pm SLT)

Sunday

Homestone swearing ceremony for new citizens (02/26/2012, 2 pm SLT, hall of the admin building)

Monday

Meeting HoY slaves only, HoY Kennel (02/27/2012, 12 pm SLT)
Topics: slave attire part 2

- NEWS

- NEW CITIZENS

Please welcome as new citizens of Landa:

- Targa Runner (warrior), astoria enchanted (Lady Astoria Enchanted-Runner), elizabeth0hartog resident (mira, slave)
- Mino (Minollo Menges), warrior
- Schbler Pfeffer (blue caste), Lady Hannah (Hannah Ordram) FC, nese (loussine Resident, slave), flower (flower Trellis, slave)
- Furia Emodemon (green caste)

- LANDA ATTACKED AND DEFEATED PIEDMONT

by schbler, scribe in Landa

Our Admin takes care of the citizens of Landa

On the third day of the first hand of the twelfth month, our banker Tar, lady Cindy and Tar's kajira, tarana, went to Piedmont for business of the bank. Because of an unknown reason, some warriors of Piedmont manhandled and arrested our citizens. When our Admin, Yuroki, noticed the merchant was missing, he went to a village near the Voltain mountains to ask some mercs to get some help.

Three mercenaries and the Admin traveled to Piedmont. Those brave warriors used grapples to climb over the wooden walls of the city. They defeated the few people who were defending Piedmont and they freed our merchant Tar who was in a sorry state.

Our Admin has been wounded by several arrows and the City of Landa has to pay the mercenaries a count of Gold and undergarments with gold worked into the weave to be given to their commander. An investigation is on to know why the warriors of Piedmont have so badly behaved a way with our citizens.

- ABOUT FINA

by lady Pitu, scribe of Landa

Once more Landa had to get the attention of Fina. Landa has waited for a long time from a response from Fina. The constant change of power, in Fina, has contributed to the delay.

Fina, a member of the STA, along with other members (Tafa, Meqara and Turia"RP BAN") forcefully removed Landa from the STA (Southern Trade Alliance).

Landa Admin Rarius Yuroki met with former Ambassador Chrisman Sweetwater of Fina (who is now Head Scribe of Fina) in Tancred's landing to suggest to him for Fina to withdraw from the STA.

Landa will continue to visit Fina from time to time, while waiting on an official answer.

- LANDA ATTACKED FINA

by Rarius Yuroki, Admin of Landa, written by Bee, HoY slave

The red caste of landa held a meeting, where it was agreed action was required to show them that we are a force to be taken seriously and that we would not under any condition accept the hostile act of Fina whereby they voted us from the STA without a reason. The course of action decided upon was to attack Fina. This was decision was not taken lightly by the warriors.

Plans were made : Landa decided to attack alone and not to hire mercenaries as our forces were strong enough. Then again only a foolish commander would attack without reserves and certain friends were held in reserve to be used only if the commander deemed necessary.

The Landa scarlet arrived on the docks of Fina unchallenged, swiftly we set about consolidating the landing. Grapples were quickly deployed and the warriors hand over hand scaled the wall.

As we gained the top of the wall arrows and rocks filled the air. We were hard pressed as even their slaves joined in, but could hold position.

Outnumbered we called in our reserves - a few mercenaries from Treve. With their aid we drove the citizens back into their homes. All the Fina Warriors were down with the exception of one brave soul who with his back to the wall continued to fight [Talley Tone].

As testimony to his courage the landa scarlet gave him quarter and allowed him his honor . This was the exception as we decided in advance to take no prisoners. Raising the flag of landa on the battlements we descended our grapples and withdrew to the dock.

We then boarded our boat for the long journey home bidding farewell to the city of Fina the colours of landa flying on the ramparts .

We checked our injuries as we sailed back nothing more than a few scratches were sustained, as one warrior remarked "I've suffered more injuries sparing in the arena than I suffered today ". Arriving back at landa as the sun was rising the early morning glow lighting the walls we returned knowing our actions had given the Fina citizens something to think about as they licked their wounds.

- FREE WOMEN UNDERMINE SECURITY OF LANDA

A Landa Warrior (Sir Pyro) arrested two Free Woman (Lady Jade and Lady Ribbon) for undermining the security of Landa. Lady Ribbon was also charged with resisting arrest. The women were placed in the dungeon and awaited the decision of the Praetor/Magistrate, Sir Sherman Easterwood.

Sir Sherman questioned the Warrior, the women and a witness. Lady Jade confessed to the charges The women were offered a trial. but declined. A guilty verdict was reached, by Sir Sherman and informed all he would read the sentence in Court, the next day.

The next day, in front of the Citizens of Landa, the women heard their sentence. According to Landa Law, the women could have been impaled but Sir Sherman said "I do not believe they intentionally meant to undermine the security of Landa. For that reason I do not order their public impalement." Instead, both Ladies were required to write apology scrolls to the court and publicly apologize to the Sir Pyro. As additional punishment for resisting arrest, Lady Ribbon was confined to city arrest for 40 ahn, ordered to perform public service of cleaning the public baths, library and Palace and write an additional scroll explaining what she had learned from this experience.

According to court records both Ladies have fulfilled their sentences.

LANDA AWAITS RESPONSE FROM CALLERA

Landa and Callera are currently in final negotiations regarding an alliance. The Landa High Council awaits a signed and sealed treaty, on which to vote on.

- ABOUT TOURS IN LANDA

[As you know, Tours are not IC,] but if you want to be friendly (which goreans rarely are) then you may show them around, but please refrain from showing them inside the palace. If they ask, you can say the courthouse is inside.. Please never let anyone know where the Admins office is.. that is putting him in danger.

FOR SLAVE OWNERS

Please keep in mind that your slave is your property and if the slave is not registered and you don't have slave papers, anyone can come and might take that slave away from you.

Please have acquisition papers, or check at least if there has been a previous owner and your slave has been let go, then take your girl/boy to get a physical, that is important. The phys. needs to place a seal on the report. Come to the head scribe and get the slave papers made for your Property.
Thank you.

Lady Dez
Head Scribe of Landa

THE LANDA SOCIAL SCENE

The Free companionship ceremony of Sir Pyro and Lady Jade will be at the third day of the second hand of the twelfth month in Landa (02/22/2012, 3:30 pm SLT)
All of Landa is invited.

CASTE REPORTS LANDA

WHITE CASTE

- REQUIREMENTS FOR A PROPER PILGRIMAGE

Little to report this week, other than the completion of the Caste archival Building in the Sardars. Now the shelves and displays must be filled with the scrolls and papers, aretifacts and artwork that the Caste has accumulated.

I, the High Initiate of Landa, am still engaged in studies with the Turmus University, in pursuit of a degree both in Gorean History and Gorean Law. If these courses are to my satisfaction, and the organizers of the University willing, I may design a Doctorate of Divinity course for the school.

As I delve deeper into the lore I find wonderful treasures of knowledge. Each word, each sentence which furthers the cause of the Initiates of Gor will be utilized to the fullest of my capabilities in forming a lasting and valuable body of work to replace the scattered bits and pieces with a whole and coherent work.

As ever, I remain, in humility and gratitudfe, dedicated to the service of the Priest Kings and to my post as High Initiate of Landa.

May your days be blessed and may the Light of the Eternals never fail you!

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High Initiate of Landa

BLUE CASTE

- NEW LAWYER IN LANDA

Schbler's office is in the library. He is a lawyer. As you know, a lawyer is a law-trained person. He can be a practitioner such as a barrister, a solicitor, a legal executive and a licensed conveyancer. To give some examples, as barrister, he can defend you for a trial, and as solicitor he can help you to draw up your Free companionship contract.

- ABOUT THE BLUE CASTE

The Blue Caste is available to the citizens of Landa, to help them in many ways.

We have already produced employment contracts and are working with the High Physician to ensure that all slave papers are in order. A Blue is serving as the Magistrate, he is available to help you address any legal problems that may arise. A Deputy Head Scribe is available, when the Head Scribe is not. We produce FC Contracts and you can have your

FC Ceremony performed by either of us.

These are just a few services available from the Blue Caste. As Head Scribe, I am available to help all citizens with matters relating to the Blue Caste.

Prices for our services are negotiable.

((Remember to protect your property, get your slave papers here, ask me for a discount))

~Lady Dez
Head Scribe for the City of Landa

RED CASTE

Targa (Runner) has been appointed as First Sword of Landa and is in charge if the admin is not present.

Rarius Yueroki

MERCHANT CASTE

- MEETING OF THE MERCHANT CASTE

There is a Merchants Meeting scheduled for the 5th day of the 2nd hand of the 12th month [Thursday the 23rd at 5.00 pm SLT] in the Inn. We will be voting for a Head Merchant and talk about ways to trade to bring in coins for Landa our great city. I'm looking forward to hearing ideals. Landa has many great Merchants and together we can make it grow and prosper.

Lady Ribbon

- HOY SLAVERHOUSE

The slave Bee (Wendie Lemon) will prepare non-legal documents and keep the accounts of my house.

Rarius Yuroki

I had discovered, to my pleasure, that the girl Luma, whom I had saved from Surbus, was of the Scribes. Her city had been Tor.

Being of the Scribes she could, of course, read and write.

"Can you keep accounts?" I had asked her.

"Yes, Master," she had responded.

I had made her the chief scribe and accountant of my house.

Each night, in my hall, before my master's chair, she would kneel with her tablets and give me an accounting of the day's business, with reports on the progress of various investments and ventures, often making suggestions and recommendations for further

actions.

This plain, thin girl, I found, had an excellent mind for the complicated business transactions of a large house.

She was a most valuable slave.

She much increased my fortunes.

I permitted her, of course, but a single garment, but I allowed it to be opaque, and of the blue of the Scribes. It was sleeveless and fell to just above her knees. Her collar, however, that she might not grow pretentious, was of simple steel. It read, as I wished, I belong to Bosk.

(Raiders of Gor)

REGIONAL NEWS

- OLD JOHN SURFACE

by Vido Sciarri from Treve

It seems since a battle took place on the fields of Minus, a song has been doing the rounds of the taverns of Gor. The men of Rorus came for their Ubara who was enjoying the company of a warrior of Treve. The Ubar Joe told his men no prisoners were to be taken and all Trevians were to be put to death

As Rorus outnumbered Treve's men three to one, things did indeed look grim for the men and women of the hidden city. Fortunately the Ubar of Treve, Jerek Steel lived up to his name and the warriors of Treve were keen for the fight. Finally Rorus had come from behind their walls and a reckoning would be had.

The battle was swift, the Ubara was released as a distraction for the men of Rorus who had brought allies from all of Gor. They soon lost their cohesion and became a mob, a quality often found in an ill trained and badly commanded army. The true warriors of Treve hit them hard and fast and soon it was a rout. And when there was a counting of the fallen, the Ubar of Rorus was nowhere to be found. He was, it seems, sitting having a cup of tea in Rorus with his companion. His men all fell.

Rumor has it the Ubara was a tad wistful having swapped a Captain of Treve for a fleeing Ubar.

Anyway....

....here is the song, a spritely ballad and tale of war called *hi old Joe are ye wauking yet*

THE RORUS CHRONICLE - SPECIAL EDITION

by Σοφῆια Fare ł ła, Editor-in-Chief

OOCLY, I have an apology to make. I made a big mistake with something I published in last week's edition of the Chronicle. I published an article that made disparaging OOC references to a sim, naming the sim in the examples used. I was quickly reminded by someone from that sim, that by publishing it, I invalidated my own words that begin each

edition of the paper, namely the "DISCLAIMER", and he was right...I screwed the pooch on this one and I'm sorry.

I'm sorry that I didn't take the time to think it through. Yes, this is SL, and our avatars are just so many pixels, but as we all know, there are people, real live people, who animate these avatars. People with real feelings, emotions, hopes and dreams. Those of us who role play in Gor, are fiercely loyal to the sims we call home. We make these places home by interacting, creating memories, making friends, furnishing and landscaping our homes, raising families, etc, etc, and when someone says something unkind about our Gorean home, it hurts..that is what I didn't think about, there is where I made my mistake, and for that, I'm truly sorry. It won't happen again. My Disclaimer WILL be valid, I will cause no OOC harm again.

With my apology, I wish to thank the Man who contacted me, showing me what I had done, calling me to task. I appreciate that he had the gumption to do so..of course, he was awfully angry so I imagine it was pretty easy to let me know, but you know what I mean, I deserved his Ire and hope my apology is accepted.

The following, is from the author of the article:

A retraction and an apology

I am very proud to be a part of this community; part of what makes it special is that we accept responsibility for errors when we make them and try and do the right thing to move forward. I try and be a responsible member of this community, and I feel obligated to do all I can to live up to that - to not repeat mistakes, and do the right thing going forward...

In my recent article on RP, I made two mistakes, for which I wish to apologize to the readership of this paper. I did not use the names of individuals, and the article was written to present a point of view on creating RP, using positive and negative examples drawn from past RP - not as a means of attacking others. That said, I made errors I feel should be set straight.

As a retraction, I sited rp with a Blue Caste of Treve in a negative example. I feel the need to make clear that the incident happened years ago. I did not in any way mean to slight the person currently occupying that role. I have clarified the matter to that person currently in the role, and apologized as well for any implication that it might be directed at them; it was very graciously accepted.

Likewise, while my past interactions with Treve have been negative, a sim is still a wide variety of individuals who make it up, and they represent a broad spectrum of behavior. I made an effort not to mention individuals; I should have made an equal effort not to mention the name of any sim. It was a thoughtless oversight, for which I apologize to the sim of Treve.

- OOC ANNOUNCEMENTS OF THE ADMIN

CITY SLAVES

City slave or Tower Slave:slave girl in any city, her duties in the apartment cylinders are

largely domestic. (Book 3: Priest Kings of Gor, page 45)

Do NOT treat my personal slaves as "city slaves".

"...in Gorean cities, there are often public slaves who tend the central kitchens in cylinders, care for the children, but may not instruct them, and, for a tiny fee to the city, clean compartments and do laundering."

The Admin

ADDENDUM

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~Lady Dez

FORUM OF LANDA

The Isle of Landa gor a forum here: <http://www.gor-sl.com/index.php/board,449.0.html> - please check that out.

TOURIST OFFICE OF LANDA STILL CLOSED

Goreans are suspicious of strangers. People looking for a new home should have an reasonable storyline and roleplay in the city first or walk around as an OOC observer.

"Pikes on the walls of Gorean cities are often surmounted with the remains of unwelcome guests. The Gorean is suspicious of the stranger, particularly in the vicinity of his native walls. Indeed, in Gorean the same word is used for both stranger and enemy."
(Outlaw of Gor)

"Wanderers" and "travellers" of Gor are outlaws. Merchants wear a white and golden tunic in Gor.

GATE POLICY OF LANDA 10.0

- Slaves cannot open the outer gate alone (only OOC)

- Warriors, when they are in the city, must be alert and open the gates even if their pants are down. No ifs butts or maybe's about it.. If they don't want to be bothered with protecting the city, they need to go to Landa II. The reason for this is very important. FW and slaves can not be attacked with out Warriors around. but furring Warriors or Warriors

who are busy in IMs are the same as no warriors around. It is dangerous to have a Warrior in the city who is not present.

- Free women are allowed to open the gate, when no Warriors are here. A free woman is safe from attack with out Warriors around,

- Do not open the gate for strangers without asking for name and home stone and caste (keep the log that you will be able to tell the story in case of trouble)

- You may open the gate for people who want to look around, perhaps if they are considering to settle here, but goreans do not like strangers, you can give them a tour OOC too

- People without an Home Stone and without a caste are outlaws and not allowed to enter (except people who want to settle here, but make that clear OOC):

5.1 Any free found to have no caste shall be declared an outlaw. The law applies equally to men and women. Those unable to show evidence of their caste shall be arrested by Guardsmen and held subject to verification. Men found to be outlaws shall be executed. Women shall be enslaved and sold from the public block. Those calling themselves Pirates shall be considered no different than Outlaws. They shall be subject to the same penalties. (Caste Laws and public laws of Landa, chapter 4)

- Merchants are allowed to enter (caste colors: White and Gold)

- Rules of Landa:

- Raiders or non-citizens of Landa can not attack a slave if there are no Warriors present, unless the slave attacks them, is threatening or disrespectful to them.

- Raiders or non-citizens of Landa can not attack a free woman if there are no Warriors present, unless the free woman physically attacks them.

- Strangers are not allowed to carry bows and crossbows inside the city walls

- Never mention the secret tunnels and entrances

GROUPS IN LANDA

Isle of Landa Land Group (to rezz, to set home, to open the gates, to pass phantom doors)

Isle of Landa Slave House (slave gossip OOC, for example to get a tag of the privately owned slaver houses)

Landa Blue Caste

Landa Green Caste

Landa Council

Landa Merchant Caste

Landa Moderators

Landa Scarlet Caste

Landa's Free Women Society (ask lady Dadiyah)

Landa Pending Citizen

Order of the Great Landa Temple

HEADS OF CASTES IN LANDA

White caste: Brother Dorian (Trevellion)
Blue caste: Dezire Sciarri, Head scribe
Red caste: position open
Green caste: Judy (Judygirl Beck)
Black caste: Saurion of Lydius (Khampoh Resident), Master Assassin
Merchant caste: position open

Sherman Easterwood, Praetor

Moderators:

Yuroki Uriza (administrator)
Saurion of Lydius (Khampoh Resident), Master Assassin
Micka Toros, peasant

LANDA COLLAR LAW

Slaves - Collars

Female adult slaves must wear locked slave collars at all times in public. Removal of the collar by one other than the slave's owner or without the order of a Magistrate is a crime punishable by fines and imprisonment.

Sherman Easterwood
Praetor of Landa

HOUSES FOR RENT IN LANDA II (combat sim)

Houses for rent in Landa II are for Citizens who have been active in RP for at least 2 weeks and will continue to be actively contributing to the life in Landa.. The cost is \$3 L per prim, for example a house with 100 prims would be \$300 L per week. You will be charged according to how many prims you will need. No more then 150 prims for the smaller ones and the bigger houses 200 prims.

If you want to rent a house, please get in touch with Dezire Sciarri. IMs will reach her even when offline, or per e-mail deziresciarri@live.com

GM WARE

If you need GM ware goods ask me, we have our own server in Landa. You can transport items between your Server and your meter HUD Note though that the Meter HUD can only carry 10 items at once.

Version 4.2 changes what items can be manufactured, so that now only Raw materials can be manufactured.

This is to prepare for the upcoming GM crafting which is one of the biggest project GM team has taken on.

With crafting then you will be able to craft other things from the raw materials, depending on avatar skill. (Yes for example blacksmith starts with little skill but can over time learn more skill and make more advanced things). This is a big project with hundreds of items, levels and skills. We felt it was important to get out new RP server in advance so that users can start manufacturing level 1 raw materials which will be useful as soon as GM Crafting hits the street.

ADVERTISEMENTS AND JOB OFFERS

HOUSE OF YUROKI (HoY) GOREAN SLAVERHOUSE

The House of Yuroki is a privately owned and run Slaver House. The owner is Rarius Yuroki (Yuroki Uriza). That means that it functions separately from any city council and administration. However, our purpose overall is to provide slaves to the cities for use in whatever means are necessary, and to eventually sell those slaves to citizens or if a long period of time goes by without interest and the slave is underused, to the highest gorean bidder at an invitational auction open to goreans from across Gor.

"Whereas members of the caste of slavers are slavers, not all slavers are members of the caste of slavers."
(Magicians of Gor pg 315)

- HOY BANK OF LANDA

- We need merchants who would be able to establish trading connections with cities which use similar coin systems. Two copper coins paid monthly. To make your own coins and income would be possible.

HOY BANK OF LANDA

Most cities have a Street of Coins, an area where banking is done. "Sometimes, of course, certain areas specialize in, or are known for, given types of services or products. Each city usually has, for example, its "Street of Coins." On such a street, or in such an area, its banking will largely be done. Similarly most cities will have their "Street of Brands," on which street, or in which area, one would expect to find the houses of its slavers. (Fighting Slave of Gor)

Landa has its own bank and coins. The bank is privately owned, but the company got a banking license from the city of Landa, the mint too.

- CITY OF LANDA

The city of Landa is recruiting all castes. Lower castes are welcome too!

We are looking for:

Fishermen

Goat Keepers

Drovers

Perfumers

Artisans (sub castes: Painter, Pot Makers, Saddle Makers, Metal Workers, Blacksmiths, Leather Makers, Poets)

Cloth workers (sub castes: Rug Makers, Weavers, Carders, Dryers)

Woodsmen (sub castes: Wood Carriers, Charcoal Makers, Carvers)

Entertainers (sub castes: Singers, Musicians)

Cryptographers

OOO ROLEPLAY

- ROLEPLAY ACCORDING TO GOREAN PHILOSOPHIES AND IDEALS

The following is an excerpt from a notice by Kitrell Axel, founder of the Hardcore BtB Goreans group:

You have read and have a deep understanding of the books. You do not bring in your own personal views to distort the ideas you have read and found in such.

You realize, and understand that most websites have flawed information, half truths, and partial quotes to push a flawed understanding of Gorean ideals, and avoid such.

You find enjoyment and fulfillment in knowing that Gor is magnificent because of what it entails, not the cute details that make it 'hot' and 'cool' and 'kinky' fun.

As a Free you understand and embrace the fact that honor is above all else, and slaves are nothing but cattle to be owned, used, trained, punished, killed, beaten, and perhaps praised, if they earn it after much hard work and strife. You hold them to near perfect expectations and 'force' them to obey and abide by such despite the bitching OOC.

As a slave you understand that no one gives a damn what your character wishes or desires, and you accept what the Free (listed above) offer you for your experience, even if it doesn't involve some bullshit love master/love slave thing. You accept the lessons, the training, the lack of patience, and the brutality of your station.

As a Gorean role-player you role-play according to Gorean philosophies and ideals expressed in the books, not in your own little head, and expect others to do the same. You may, if so inclined, even share your knowledge with others.

You do not 'accept' the bullshit we have spread all across Gor as 'Gorean' because you need friends more than you need a truly Gorean experience.

You really don't care if Tom, Dick, and Mary 'like you'.

You do not make your own rules because the Gorean one isn't cool enough. You don't pierce your slave's tits because you think it's hot, from your earthen mentality. You don't brand them 5 times because your name looks cool there. You don't pet them and smile at them because they knelt there all cute-like.

You sure as fuck don't call slaves 'little one' or any variation of such, nor as a slave do you answer to such things.

And last, but not least, you're not a fucking idiot who thinks he is God because he can click real fast with a pixilated bow on his 900000000ghz gaming laptop which you also play World of Warcraft, Runescape, and League of Legends on in your spare time from Gor.

Find me opinionated?

"You may judge and scorn the Goreans if you wish. Know as well, however, that they judge and scorn you. They fulfill themselves, as you do not. Hate them for their pride and power. They will pity you for your shame and weakness."

- PILGRIMAGE

The pilgrimage is a thrilling idea for role playing in Second Life Gor, it is the role play background itself and is a way for pilgrims to explore the amazing and wild world of Gor more or less in safety.

Pilgrims to the Sardar mountains have to endure endless journeys, have to travel through dangerous regions and visit a lot of cities, villages and camps.

The pilgrimage is not only an idea for the pilgrims, it also enriches the entire world of SL Gor.

Go !!! join the adventure, contact: Luqara Darkwatch

KNOWLEDGE

- DATES GOR VERSUS EARTH

by Schbler, scribe and advocate in Landa

Traditionally the Chinese calendar does not use continuously numbered years. Outside of China, years are often numbered from the reign of the Yellow Emperor, Huangdi. But even then, at least three different years numbered 1 are now used by various scholars. In Japan, the imperial year is based on the mythical founding of Japan by Emperor Jimmu. And then there is Anno Domini. You'll probably recognize this when it's abbreviated AD, as in the current year of 2011 AD, the system most commonly used to count years in Western civilization. But even in this system, there is no zero year. So the year 1 AD immediately follows the year 1 BC. As we see, even here on Earth, counting years takes on many forms. The same is true on Gor. Just about every city and group of people count years from a different point in time. This is the list of a few of the referenced points in time from the Books and compared them to the current Earth year of 2011.

1/ The most widely accepted form of referring to the current year is based on Contasta Ar, commonly abbreviated as CA. Contasta Ar can be translated as "from the founding of Ar". As the myth goes, Ar was founded by the first man on Gor, a hero whom the Priest-Kings are said to have formed from the mud of the earth and the blood of tarns.

First, it is necessary to establish a cross-reference date, since John Norman never says, for instance '10,117 C.A. is 1967'. But we can take what is said from Books 1 & 2 and extrapolate that 10,110 is the same as 1960. We know both Books 1 & 2 were first published in 1967. We can suppose that the following passage was written in 'real time' in the year of 1967.

We put on our coats and went out into the February evening, into the light snow.

...

Then without speaking he went into his closet and emerged carrying a strongbox. He unlocked this with a key which he carried on his own person, and removed a manuscript, written in his own clear, decisive hand and bound with twine. He placed the manuscript in my hands. It was a document pertaining to what Cabot called the Counter-Earth, the story of a warrior, of the siege of a city, and of the love of a girl. You perhaps know it as Tarnsman of Gor.

Outlaw of Gor Book 2 Pages 14 - 15

Book 1 encompasses 7 months beginning in February.

When I emerged from the mountains, I found I had been gone seven months.
Tarnsman of Gor Book 1 Page 218

I recalled it was in February that he had departed from the college, years earlier.
Outlaw of Gor Book 2 Page 12

And 6 years after that Tarl writes at the end of Book 1:

Strangely, though it has now been six years since I left the Counter-Earth, I can discover no signs of aging or physical alteration in my appearance.
Tarnsman of Gor Book 1 Page 218

After the same almost seven years, Harrison Smith meets Tarl again.

It was almost seven years after I had known Tarl Cabot at the college when I saw him on the streets of Manhattan.
Outlaw of Gor Book 2 Page 11

Some months pass after their first meeting.

In the ensuing months, my studies permitting, we saw one another fairly often.
Outlaw of Gor Book 2 Page 11

And then, again in February, seven years to the month:

"I'll see you tomorrow," I said.
"No," he said. "I am going again to the mountains."
It was in February, at this time, that he had disappeared seven years before.
Outlaw of Gor Book 2 Page 16

So, going backwards in time:

Tarl begins his adventures of Book 2 - February 1967
Some months pass before that during which Harrison Smith and Tarl meet fairly often.
Six years before this Harrison Smith meets Tarl again.
Tarl returns to Earth after seven months on Gor - September 1960
Tarl begins his adventures of Book 1 - February 1960

We can therefore surmise that the events of Book 1 transpired in the Earth year of 1960.
And we can establish that Ar was founded now, 10,161 Earth years ago.

So, using the correlation of 1960 = 10,110, we can then look further into the Books and

see when other events happened in relation to both the founding of Ar and Earth years.

2/ Chronology of Ar

10,110 CA - 1960 - The Siege of Pa Kur's Horde

10,119 CA - 1969 - The Restoration of Marlenus

10,137 CA - 1987 - Cosian Invasion

10,161 CA - 2011 - Current Year

I had known Maximus Hegesius Quintilius only briefly several years ago, when he had been a captain, in 10,110 from the Founding of Ar, in the time of Pa-Kur and his horde.
Assassin of Gor Book 5 Page 234

After the restoration of Marlenus of Ar, in 10,119 Contasta Ar, from the founding of Ar,
Marauders of Gor Book 9 Page 112

Ar's Station, incidentally, is near the site where there was a gathering, several years ago, of the horde of Pa-Kur, of the Caste of Assassins, who was leading an alliance of twelve cities, augmented by mercenaries and assassins, against the city of Ar, This war is celebrated, incidentally, in the Gorean fashion, in several songs. Perhaps most famous among them are the songs of Tarl of Bristol. The action is reputed to have taken place in 10,110 C.A., Contasta Ar, from the Founding of Ar. It was now, in that chronology, the year 10,127.

Rouge of Gor Book 15 Pages 62 - 63

3/ Chronology of Ko-Ro-Ba

10,110 - 1960 - Year 02 of the Administration of Matthew Cabot - Tarl Arrives in Ko-Ro-Ba

10,119 - 1969 - Year 11 of the Administration of Matthew Cabot - Ko-Ro-Ba Restoration Begins

10,161 - 2011 - Year 53 of the Administration of Matthew Cabot - Current Year

In the calendar of Ko-ro-ba, which, like most Gorean cities, marks years by its Administrator Lists, it would be the eleventh year of the administration of my father, Matthew Cabot. In the calendar of Ar, for those it might interest, it was the first year of the restoration of Marlenus, Ubar of Ubars, but, more usefully for the purposes of consolidating the normal chaos of Gorean chronology, it was the year 10,119 Contasta Ar, that is, from the founding of Ar.

Raiders of Gor Book 6 Page 1

4/ Chronology of Tharna

10,117 CA - 1967 - Year 4 of the Reign of Lara

10,118 CA - 1968 - Year 1 of Sa'ng-fori and Freedom

10,161 CA - 2011 - Year 43 of Sa'ng-fori and Freedom - Current Year

Inscribed in the City of Tharna, the Twenty-Third Day of En'Kara in the Fourth Year of the Reign of Lara, Tatrix, of Tharna, the Year 10,117 from the Founding of Ar.

Outlaw of Gor Book 2 Page 245

5/ Chronology of Events Concerning the Priest-Kings

10,118 CA - 1968 - Nest War In the Sardar Mountains
10,119 CA - 1969 - Last Egg of the Priest-Kings Returned

6/ Chronology of the Wagon Peoples

10,118 CA - 1968 - The Year in Which Tarl Cabot Came to the Wagon Peoples
10,119 CA - 1969 - The Year in which Tarl Cabot Commanded a Thousand
Since the length of years vary, there is no way to calculate a current year comparison.

"Your coming and going with the Wagon Peoples," said Kamchak, "has spanned parts of two of our years."

I looked at him, not really understanding. What he said, of course, was true.

"The years," said Harold, smiling, "were two the Year in which Tarl Cabot Came to the Wagon Peoples and the Year in which Tarl Cabot Commanded a Thousand."

Nomads of Gor Book 4 Page 343

A consequence of the chronological conventions of the Wagon Peoples, of course, is that their years tend to vary in length,

Nomads of Gor Book 4 Page 12

7/ Chronology of Torvaldsland

10,122 CA - 1972 - 1,006 Rune-Priest Year - Year of the War Arrow

10,161 CA - 2011 - 1,045 Rune-Priest Year - Current Year

I went to Torvaldsland in the Rune-Year 1,006. Years, in the chronology of Torvaldsland, are counted from the time of Thor's gift of the stream of Torvald to Torvald, the legendary founder and hero of the northern fatherlands. The calendars are kept by Rune-Priests. That would have been 10,122 C.A., or Year 3 of the Sovereignty of the Council of Captains in Port Kar.

Players of Gor Book 20 Page 31

8/ Chronology of Port Kar

10,120 CA - 1970 - Year 1 of the Sovereignty of the Council of Captains - Victory over Cos and Tyros

10,161 CA - 2011 - Year 42 of the Sovereignty of the Council of Captains - Current Year

This house has withstood a siege of thousands, within the last two years, in the time of the warrings of the Ubars and the Council of Captains, and the great engagement between the fleet of Port Kar and that of Tyros and Cos, on the twenty-fifth of Se'Kara, 10,120 Contasta Ar, from the Founding of Ar.

Captive of Gor Book 7 Page 365

The sun, for Torvaldsland, was hot. In the chronology of Port Kar, it was early in Year 3 of the Sovereignty of the Council of Captains. In the chronology of Ar, which serves, generally, to standardize chronology on Gor, it was 10,122 C.A., or Contasta Ar, from the founding of Ar. The battle of the 25th of Se'Kara had taken place in 10,120 C.A. In that same year, in its spring, in Port Kar, the Council of Captains had assumed its sovereignty, thus initiating Year 1 of its reign.

Marauders of Gor Book 9 Page 58

They had fought against the united fleets of Tyros and Cos and, without their help, doubtless Port Kar could not have won the great victory of the 25th of Se'Kara, in the first year of the reign of the Council of Captains, in the year 10,120 Contasta Ar, from the Founding of Ar.

Marauders of Gor Book 9 Page 283

It was currently in the late winter of Year 3 of the Sovereignty of the Council of Captains in Port Kar, the year 10,122 C.A., Contasta Ar, from the Founding of Ar.

Tribesmen of Gor Book 10 Page 26

It was, currently, Year 7 in the Sovereignty of the Council of Captains, that year, in the chronology of Ar, which was 10,126 C.A.

Explorers of Gor Book 13 Page 25

It is called the Place of the Twenty-Fifth of Se'Kara, because of the monument there, rising from the water. On the twenty-fifth of Se'Kara in Year One of the Sovereignty of the Council of Captains, the year 10,120 C.A., Contasta Ar, from the Founding of Ar, a sea battle took place in which the fleet of Port Kar defeated the fleets of Cos and Tyros.

Savages of Gor Book 17 Pages 60 - 61

This form of Kaissa, now utilized in the tournaments, is generally referred to, like the other variations, simply as Kaissa. Sometimes, however, to distinguish it from differing forms of the game, it is spoken of as Merchant Kaissa, from the role of the Merchants in making it the official form of Kaissa for the fairs, Player Kaissa, from the role of the Players in its codification, or the Kaissa of En'Kara, for it was officially promulgated for the first time at one of the fairs of En'Kara, that which occurred in 10,124 C.A., Contasta Ar, from the Founding of Ar, or in Year 5 of the Sovereignty of the Council of Captains, in Port Kar.

It was now two days before the Twelfth Passage Hand, in the year 10,129 C.A. Soon it would be Year Eleven in the Sovereignty of the Council of Captains, in Port Kar.

Players of Gor Book 20 Page 8

This had taken place in Year One of the Sovereignty of the Council of Captains, in 10,120 C.A.

Players of Gor Book 20 Page 33

It was now 10,130 C.A., Contasta Ar, from the Founding of Ar. In the chronology of Port Kar, it was now Year Eleven, of the Sovereignty of the Council of Captains.

Players of Gor Book 20 Page 249

The current year was 10,130 C.A. In the chronology of Port Kar, it was Year 11 in the Sovereignty of the Council of Captains.

Mercenaries of Gor Book 21 Page 246

10,127 C.A. It was natural that he of Ar's Station, would give the date in the chronology of Ar. Different cities, perhaps in their vanity, or perhaps simply in accord with their own traditions, often have their own chronologies, based on Administrator Lists, and such. A result of this is that there is little uniformity in Gorean chronology. The same year, in the chronology of Port Kar, if it is of interest, would have been Year 8 of the Sovereignty of the Council of Captains.

Renegades of Gor Book 23 Page 347

There had not been a major engagement since the battle of the 25th of Se'Kara, in the first year of the sovereignty of the Council of Captains in Port Kar, or, to use the chronology of Ar, 10,120 C.A., Contasta Ar, from the Founding of Ar.
Vagabonds of Gor Book 24 Page 108

9/ Chronology of the Kurii

10,125 CA - 1978 - 100,000 - Kurii Civilization Begins

10,122 CA - 1972 - 99,994 - Plot To Destroy Gor Fails

10,161 CA - 2011 - 100,033 - Kurii Civilization Began - Current Year

"Surely, in ancient times, Kurii came together," I said.

"Yes," it said, "in the matings, and the killings." It looked at me, chewing. "But that was long ago," it said. "We have had civilization for one hundred thousand years, as you would understand these things. In the dawn of our prehistory small bands emerged from the burrows and the caves and forests. It was a beginning."

Beasts of Gor Book 12 Page 367

Surrender Gor

Tribesmen of Gor Book 10 Page 284

Gor, I understood, was to be destroyed. This would eliminate a world, but, with it, Priest-Kings, and leave Earth unsheltered, vulnerable, to the attack fleets of the steel worlds.

Tribesmen of Gor Book 10 Page 285

10/ Chronology of the Tahari

The oasis of Two Scimitars is an out-of-the-way oasis, under the hegemony of the Bakahs, which, for more than two hundred years, following their defeat in the Silk War of 8,110 C.A., has been a vassal tribe of the Kavars. The Silk War was a war for the control of certain caravan routes, for the rights to levy raider tribute on journeying merchants. It was called the Silk War because, at that time, Turian silk first began to be imported in bulk to the Tahari communities, and northward to Tor and Kasra, thence to Ar, and points north and west.

Tribesmen of Gor Book 10 Page 151

ONLINISM OF THE WEEK

- Ai OR AYE

The word "Ai" appears in the books as an exclamation and not with the meaning of Yes.

"I think it will do you good to feel this," I said, shaking out the five, soft, broad blades. I then went behind her.

"Ai!" she cried, struck. "It hurts, so!" she wept, now, a moment later, beginning to feel the pain in it's fullness, now on her stomach, disbelief in her eyes."

"Mercenaires of Gor" page