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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)

An important meeting was held recently that, I believe, was a major event that will benefit all of Gor. The event was the first meeting of the true Southern Trade Alliance.

Southern cities gathered and discussed trading issues important to their city and region. The delegates debated, with honor, many issues from admitting new members to trade issues that concern them.

This organization will benefit all of southern Gor. Merchants working together to provide markets open to all of Gor.. The cooperation, of members, ensure that their goods are of the highest quality available.

Let your ships sail and caravans travel over land to the south. Trade is alive and well. The true STA members invite all to trade.

Sherman Easterwood
Praetor of Landa

CITY NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- LANDA SCHEDULE

Friday (07/13/2012):

Meeting of the HoY slaves, 1 pm SLT, HoY kennel

- NEWS

A PLOT UNCOVERED

by Bee (wendie Lemon), HoY scribe slave and accountant

It was but a few days ago a she urt woman arrived on the bustling docks of landa. Midday on the docks the heat of the day now oppressive she goes to the guard.

"Please sir she whispers I need to speak urgently with the owner of the house of Yuroki".
"Come into the gate he replied the man you seek is here "No sir I will not enter the gates he must come to me here".

Hearing his title mentioned Rarius Yuroki stepped out. "So woman what news do you bring
"What is your city?

"The news I bring sir is of some importance to you coughing slightly she looks around and whispers" and worth a few coin sir" she says with a smile.

The Rarius smiles, patting his wallet to assure the peasant he will pay for news,he begins "everyone knows the generosity and good nature of myself". "However I need to know your city so as I'm not paying for information I already have".

The she urt shifts nervously from foot to foot "Sir its not news of a city but of a family your family". The she urt raises her hand for payment then seeing the look on the Rairus's face quickly responds "I am sure you are an honorable man, that pays someone well, if the news is of interest"?

The Rarius scratches his neck and looks around always prepared for betrayal. "Speak up woman I have many family".

Carelessly spilling words from her mouth she stutters "Its Maxxie sir your sister she is your sister sir"?

"I know a Lady of that name and I know where she is so what have you to tell, speak up or begone"?

"Well sir", its now she feels unsure and wishes she had not come "Well sir the lady has a large belly If you know what I mean"?

Yuroki chuckles "You mean like you "he replies thinking to himself this is unbelievable she cannot be with child.

The she urt chuckles and touches her belly "oh no my belly is fine, must be the dress. I know its a bit too big for me. What I mean is " yes she was pregnant the last time i saw her".

"Do you know the father woman?" - "No sir but I heard she had a healthy boy named Henry or Lenny, I also know she is not companioned and will not reveal the name of the father, except that he is of landa. I am sure you are a generous man sir for giving you such important information".

Yuroki shakes his head as he still does not believe the story, I will pay you 20 copper tarks for this, information it is of use".

Counting the coins in to her hand she quibbles "only 20 coppers? I thought she was worth much more. It cost me five coppers to come to you" .

As Yuroki finished counting the coins into the dirt stained hand he turned to the guard." Use your kajia to fetch food and water for this woman and see she is given passage to where she wants. With that he strides purposefully back in to the city with the guards acknowledgment echoing behind him he heads for the bank. To try to make sense of the information.

A few days Later

Entering the Southern Trade Alliance and merchant office he greets his Merchant Tar then greets his en fora after pleasantries were exchanged Yuroki got down to business.

"Tar I have something important to show you. First though have you heard my sister is with child". He quickly added "She has been deceived I got the proof only yesterday."

The Kajira one of only a few entrusted to clean the Offices of the STA, asked her master if she should leave "No lilith This will be known soon enough". - "Yes my master" she replies and melts into the background and thinks how she will tell the other girls of her masters house.

Tar replies "I would hear of this new development regarding your sister".

"Well Tar a poor women delivered the message to me she claims that you are the father".

"She did eh Yuroki?" he replies quickly changing the subject What have you to show me Yuroki?"

Yuroki puts a bottle on the desk,"this seems to be sip root and it is used for contraception all across Gor, am I right Tar"?

Seeing the familiar bottle "yes thats sip root and this has something to do with the deception of your sister".

"Not Just my sister but every free and slave alike. My sister would have used this to prevent pregnancy am I right".

Looking at the bottle again clearly marked sip root Tar replied yes most definitely, no free woman would not take precautions. Every man would ensure his kajira was given it at the appropriate time too".

"Then look at the seal on the base of the bottle Tar". Picking up the bottle so as to read the words upon the seal "Port Meqara", he exclaims " and so Yuroki? Port Meqara make most of the sip root on Gor".

"It has been tested by our Physician and found to be Teslik which counter affects the Sip Root. I also know this sign, the merchant Raasay was a citizen of the city of Black Canyon when I was ubar there, but he is definitely NOT in Meqara, he lives in a village near the Argentum road now, I met him yesterday I will give you a record of our conversation. I had my scribe take a verbatim transcript".

Yuroki shouts for his scribe Kajira. "Bee here now" - "Greetings my master, greetings master, greetings Lilith" she says almost gasping for breath."

Bee take the scroll of my meeting with the merchant Raasay". "Yes my master " Bee unrolls the scroll and begins to read Her voice light and her speech that of one born to the scribes. Now only a kajira in the service of her master.

Transcript of the conversation in Argentum

Yuroki shouts: "Raasay". Then raising his right hand with the palm facing inward to the shoulder, greets in Gorean fashion." tal"!

"Tal Yuroki Its good to see you again I hope you are here to trade"?

"Alas Raasay old friend I have a very important issue to talk about with you".

"would you care to come to the tavern Yuroki" ?

"I am afraid I need somewhere more private old friend".

"Well Yuroki come with me to my office". - "Lead the way Raasay".

Having reached his office you sat at his desk my master and master Raasay sat in his old leather chair.

As Yuroki sat down he produced the bottle of sip root and placed it on the table:
"This seems to be a bottle of sip root would you please examine it and tell me what you see"?

The old friend smiles perplexed as to what his friend expects him to find however he inspects the bottle," yes it appears to be sip root".

"Can you confirm Raasay you did not sell this bottle"?

Looking at him with a grin..."I have never sold sip root in all my days as a merchant why do you ask?"

"Then look at the bottom of the bottle please"?

Rassay picks up the bottle and carefully inspects the base as he replaces the bottle on the table he looks at his old friend "that is the seal of Port Meqara".

"Your name is on the seal too. "?

"It would seem so a seal from when I was merchant there a long time ago".

"A merchant sold it to me and I was pretty sure that is false sip root, my sister bought one too, to use it as contraception but she got pregnant So i need to warn our physicians, because it is clearly a fake we cannot even be sure that is had been made in Meqara."

Raasay looks at him earnestly."Yuroki I have a solid reputation on Gor for my ethics I can assure you it was not my product .May I ask the name of the merchant you bought it from"?

"He did not tell me his name and I did not pursue the matter as he was from the north and not the main trader.But thank you old friend your answer is what I expected .There is no sip root in it,Its contents are Teslik I guess, just the contrary".

"Why did you not get a receipt"?" That is not like you Yurok"i.

"I did not expect to use this, my slaves got slave wine, but we did not have a physician in landa for a long time and I wanted to get something in case i have a shipment of new kajira My healing kajira could administer the wine and mix the sip root".

"Yuroki It seems he has sold something under false pretenses...not withstanding using the seal of another city"

"The trader told me he had bought it from another trader to sell on I am sure he was not involved".

"A poor woman came to the gates of landa to tell me my sister Maxxie was with child".

"I know she does not have a free companion so was highly suspicious and on my guard. I know my sister may be troublesome but she is not stupid she would have used the root ".

"I know of your troubles with Merqara Yuroki I will speak with the head merchant of Meqara and warn her that there is a products bearing their seal that is not what it seems to be".

"Thank you Raasay, I take your word as the word of an honorable man, but if there would be a court against my sister, I would send you a messenger that I would need you as witness".

"I would be happy to Yuroki this also has the potential to harm my reputation and that I will not abide".

"Meqara is still our enemy, but they do not know where my sister lives, she is not in Landa, so i cannot imagine that this act had been planned by Meqara."
[end of transcript]

"That is the account of the meeting my master ".
"Thank you Bee ".

"So Tar this heraldry is fake as are the contents".

"Yuroki who is behind this deception, it seems it was deliberately given to your sister to cause disparagement against you, with the results of it not being what it is supposed to be".

"I don't know Tar, we got the proof that this bottle is a fake, we don't have any evidence that Port Meqara made it. Raasay the merchant has nothing to do with it, he has never sold sip root. The village where my sister Maxxie lives does not have a physician,My sister has been misled when somebody sold her the wrong sip root and she got pregnant".

"What steps can we take Yuroki ? It is clear that what has happened to your sister was unintentional on her part".

"Firstly we need to warn the women that bottles of sip root which show this kind of heraldry is a fake and the root is Teslik, not Sip root. We need to inform all the Physicians to check their sip root supplies and destroy any bottles with this crest".

"I will make a note with the aid of bee and I will distribute it to all the cites I visit and ask them to also pass the note to others that will be the quickest way to alert the physicians".

"Master may I speak ",Lillith begged her master her eyes wide with worry "Speak girl" looking up to her Master , " Mistress Maxxie is pregnant my Master"?

"Yes girl she is I know you were fond of her she now has a son".

Tar's note to the physicians of Gor

It is not uncommon for a free woman to visit a physician and obtain a bottle of Sip Root to prevent pregnancy. In some circumstances, when a physician is not available, her source may be a merchant who has obtained it from reliable and genuine sources. The most reliable source being that of Port Meqara. The genuine Sip Root has an etched seal of Port Meqara on the bottom of each bottle.

At least one free woman has recently given birth to a child who had been trusting and relying on the Sip Root to provide the effect of contraception. An investigation has been conducted and it has been discovered that the Sip Root bottle in the possession of this one free woman did not contain Sip Root but actually was filled with Teslik which counter-affects the Sip Root. So instead of preventing pregnancy it allows a free woman to conceive. We do not know, at this juncture in our investigation, how far reaching this counterfeit product has been distributed in a deceitful manner across Gor. Just how many free woman have been affected is still to be seen.

The genuine Sip Root has the seal of the heraldry of Port Mequara etched into the bottom of each container. Bottles have been found in several locations with a counterfeit seal on the bottom. The contents being Teslik rather than Sip Root which prevents pregnancy.

Investigation continues to determine the devious source of Teslik bottled in a counterfeit Sip Root bottle. It is recommended that physicians in all cities inspect the current supply of Sip Root on their shelves to confirm its authenticity and to take extra precautions in future purchases of this product.

Reports will be forthcoming as this investigation continues determining the sources of the great deception and fraud done against the free women of Gor?

Later that night slaves of the House of Hoy spoke of the sip root mystery who would do it? who was the father? where was the baby?

It was then Lilith revealed it was she who had served the peasant on the dock and she had known of the problem even then. The woman before she left had given her a likeness of the baby the likeness is not a good one Lady JJ would have made a closer likeness.

- RECORD OF PROTECTION

Let it be known that the Ubar of Port Quanali hereby takes legal notice that the Free Citizen or slave known as Maxxie Klaar is Protected by Ubar Niccodemis Threebeards, a Citizen of Port Quanali.

The Ubar of Port Quanali affirms that the named party falls under the protection of the named protector. Said protector is not legally liable for punishments or compensation for damages resulting from the protected party if said party violates law unless otherwise stipulated.

It is so recorded on this 6th day of July, in the year of the Priest-Kings 2012.

By my hand and the Seal of the City:
Lady Kutia Resident, Head Scribe of Port Quanali

Niccodemis Threebeards

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

- LETTER BY TARGA

and yet....i miss the open field....

"Whereas I was of high caste and he was of low, yet in his own hut he would be, by the laws of Gor, a prince and sovereign, for then he would be in the place of his own Home Stone." ~ Outlaw of Gor

Yet, good people....i feel it is time for me to have the cutting wind in my face while my tarn races with me against the breeze. Darting down and gaining height again.....on a quest which stations i will choose ...to find the best hunting grounds and place to trade goods and skills.

I want to thank you all, i had a splendid time at Landa, and i will honour that place in my heart, like i still do with my first Home Stone Tharnock, but...just as well...i need to move on.

I will leave with no bad feelings and will come back with a straight heart as well as i left. That war is over, and i can mount my tarn with no hesitations. In the german language there is a name for it to describe that war, which lays behind us "Hornberger Schießen".. :)

I will stand before your gates maybe to trade goods and see and meet the persons who i carry in my heart, so dont leave the gate closed.

I have trained many men there and we also had a good laugh. so i hand back my keys for

the city to the "grumpy-, building- and whatelse admin" *roars* stay as you are.. they only true way for us...!

"if there are men who wants training...we will sort that out, and it will be my honour...i will choose my trainees while they will choose their trainer ... my Brothers will find me anytime"

I wish you a wonderful time, never frown...laugh and keep it like it should be....mankind on gor is less administrative then mankind on earth...goreans celebrate life and a gorean man takes what he wants. His only limits are not the scrolls, but maybe the steel swings of other fighters.

Targa smiles at Landa, as he looks back "i wish you well landa..and take care.....that your day may be bright, your paga spicy, your slaves pretty and full of devotion and with fire under their belly, your men strong, your leaders smart and true.....til we meet again"

"Honour and Steel, Honour above Steel, and not even Steel shall take that from us!" and...stay tuned

CASTE REPORTS LANDA

WHITE CASTE

TEMPLE PORTENTS

Omens this Hand have been wonderful! Clear skies and good fortune await those who are alert and hard-working.

Day 1. Expect gentle rains and nourishing of the fields. Droughts are broken but water must still be conserved.

Day 2. An item of great value will be found, but not by its owner! If you have lost something, make certain you have proof that you own it, before attempting to claim it. Your word may be contested by the finder wishing to keep it.

Day 3. Neighbors will dispute a matter but things will be settled amicably and food will be exchanged. Drink in moderation as drunkenness may re-ignite the quarrel.

Day 4. Sailors and those on the Thassa, cast your nets! Abundant fish are to be taken. Be certain you have enough salt to preserve them all. Take no more than you can safely process as illness may result from spoiled fish.

Day 5. Look forward to a slave's entertainment. Dancing or singing, music and more. Walk with caution as foot injuries seem more likely today.

Free Men: Watch your possessions. Someone covets what you have. A slave may fall ill due to neglect. Be proactive.

Free Women: Conception is VERY likely this hand. If you seek to start or enlarge a family now is the time to act.

Slaves: Do not keep secrets from your Master or mistress. That slight stomach complaint may become serious.

Auspicious numbers this Hand: 14, 29, 375 and 1903

Inauspicious numbers this hand: 17, 44, 62, 147 and 5,943

M.H.I. Fr. Adilokos O.P.O. GST

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Grand Preceptor and

High Initiate of Landa

NEWS FROM THE WHITE CASTE

Many things have been happening which are both fortunate and unfortunate.. Great strides are being made in re-discovering the history of our Caste.

The passageway found behind the Ur Temple continues to be explored, cautiously. Working in teams of two Initiates, with waist tethers, held at the opening by a third, we have traveled deeper into the opening. The missing Initiate's body has not been found and this is distressing. So far the passageway is empty and of a strange spiraling downward direction. So far, only the first eighth of a pasang has been explored. The walls are smooth, seeming to have been polished or fused by great heat.

A discovery has been made under the foundation of the Ur-Temple. There is a shattered ben-ben stone which, when lifted, revealed a chamber perhaps ten horts by ten horts, and eighteen horts in depth. Within that tiny area was a carved alabaster box such as generally contains altar incense. Within the box was found a parchment! It has been deciphered and translated and the writing has been given to our antiquity researchers to study.

A revision of the Initiates and Cities list has been written and will be published.

All Initiates and Temple servitors are encouraged to set aside their calendar date for the 15th of July when we are all to convene in Unkunga! There will be many new items given out. A partial list below will whet your appetites and give you reason to attend:

Divination Bowl. The sardar Temple has designed and is giving out these beautiful golden bowls set on golden and marble bases. One may find bosk heart, liver and entrails and verr heart, liver and entrails, all in healthy, suspicious and diseased conditions enabling an Initiate to divine the future accurately. EXCELLENT RP tools and a must for every temple.

Bosk Sacrifice. This includes the Bowl of Divination, the Pillar of Sacrifice, with a bosk slaughtered and lying on its side and next to it the bowl of blood and the sacred flame into which the organs may be placed.

Standing Sacrificial Bosk (Bull and Cow) This is a more realistic version of the Sacrificial Bosk which has been given out before. Draped and undraped versions are available.

Revised Book of Priest Kings. This is intended to REPLACE the outdated Priest King Book of Nikoli Nicholls and will be a major resource for Initiates.

Book of Liturgies. This is the standard Liturgical volume, containing all the worship services for morning, evening, blessings, purifications, invocations, prayers, ceremonies and festivals! An invaluable resource for Initiates!

Book of Initiates. This (if it is available at that time) will be a resource for how to live one's daily life AS an Initiate. Bathing, eating, caste restrictions, a resource card and more will be included.

ALL of these items (and more!) are provided to Initiates FREE OF CHARGE in order to facilitate roleplay. They will be available ONLY at the Unkunga gathering on July 15th.

Blessed Terek, Resident Initiate of Tabor announces that the Tabor temple will be participating in that land's fifth anniversary celebration. Date to be announced.

May the Priest Kings watch over you all

M.H.I. Fr. Adilokos O.P.O. GST

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Grand Preceptor and
High Initiate of Landa

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. 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

SOUTHERN TRADE ALLIANCE

News from the True Southern Trade Alliance of Gor

Citizens of the TRUE SOUTHERN TRADE ALLIANCE, known by the mark joined together to form a Magna Carta:

We vow to promote justice, ensure domestic tranquility, provide for trade with safety of passage, promote the general well-being and secure the Blessings of the Priest Kings upon we the members.

This Alliance was forged out of necessity to work together. Build trade and to unify the south against invaders especially from the North and the Vosk region (as the false Southern Trade Alliance from Meqara has been exposed as a front organization of the Vosk League) who's sole aim was to disrupts the mutual trade investments of our Ports, Cities and Oases.

- FIRST MEETING OF THE TRUE SOUTHERN TRADE ALLIANCE IN LANDA

Present:

Joshao Rogerian - House Rogerian (Karaden Finesmith), Jazirat al Khusuf

Tar (Tarrie Chiu), Head merchant of Landa

Aggi(tator Resdient), merchant of Landa

Angel Firethorn, Grand Vizier Oasis of Sand Sleen

Argo Blanco, Head Scribe of Kasra

Saran (Ries Kurka), Salt Ubar of the Tahari, Guard of the Dunes

Doc Grun, High Pasha Oasis of Nine Wells

Chimola Jayaram, Pasha of Seraphina

Niccodemis Threebeards, Ubar of Port Quanali

Talora (xYasminx Resident), merchant of Port Quanali

Rarius Yuroki, Admin of Landa

The decisions are confidential.

Members of the TRUE SOUTHERN TRADE ALLIANCE:

City of Landa

The Kasbah of the Guard of the Dunes

Oasis of Klima

The Kasbah of Seraphina

The Oasis of the Two Scimitars

Oasis of Nine Wells

Oasis of the Sand Sleen

City of Kasra

Jazirat al Khusuf

Port Quanali

Tyros

Six more cities want to join the new STA or are candidates already.

REGIONAL NEWS

- TURIA STILL A MARIONETTE OF THE VOSK LEGUE

The City of Turia, upon hearing the needs of her ally Port Cos, sends 300 stone - Turian Iron Ore & 400 stone - Turian Steel, to assist in the re-building efforts of Port Cos.

Captain Pinadien, on the vessels "the "The Hazine" "Solidarity" with crew members on 25 and warriors, including Guardmen Sky, departing from Stones of Turmas to Port Cos.

(taken from the Port Cos chronicle, twenty-First Edition, v. 1, Issue 1)

- OOC ANNOUNCEMENTS OF THE ADMIN

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 11.0

- Slaves cannot open the outer main gate alone (only OOC) but they can get in and out through the small door if they have ICly chores to do at the docks.

- Slaves are not allowed to linger outside or on the docks, especially if strangers are there. Unless their owners had allowed it. However, should you get captured while lingering outside, the owner will be help responsible.

- 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 FW 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 golems 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 if they show their 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 Dez)
 Landa Pending Citizen
 Order of the Great Landa Temple

HEADS OF CASTES IN LANDA

White caste: Adilokos (Ugurusu Resident)
 Blue caste: Dezire Sciarri, Head scribe
 Red caste: Rarius Yuroki (Yuroki Uriza)
 Green caste: Judy(girl Beck)
 Black caste: Saurion of Lydius (Khampoh Resident), Master Assassin

Merchant caste: Tar (Tarrie Chiuh)

Moderators:

Yuroki Uriza, Admin

Saurion of Lydius (Khampoh Resident), Master Assassin

Sherman Easterwood, Praetor

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 in the Landa II residential area are for rent. Interested should be Landa Citizens for at least 2 weeks and should have a history of avid RP within the City and will continue to be actively contributing to the life in Landa. (you stand to lose your house if you are more in the house than in the city)

-The houses rent for \$300 L per week. We are low on prims, please make an effort to keep it at 100 prims or lower.

If you want to rent a house, please get in touch with me. Should I be offline, you will reach me per e-mail deziresciarri@live.com or send me an IM.

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

LADY JJ'S ART GALLERY IN LANDA

Welcome to my Art gallery. I have many sketches on view of people who you may recognise so please feel free to drop in any time you wish to look round. I am adding new ones all the time so keep visiting. For Landa residents I charge just ten coppers for a sketch of a single person. so why not have one done of yourself, your loved one or your slave. Or even all three as they make wonderful gifts. My gallery is in the main square in Landa so please come along.

"Art in a Gorean city is taken seriously; it is regarded as an enhancement of the civic life. It is not regarded as the prerogative of an elite, nor is its fate left exclusively to the mercies of private patrons." (Kajira of Gor, page 106)

Lady JJ

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 owner: Rarius Yuroki
Hoy accountant and scribe: wendie Lemon
Hoy agent: Raschid Hassanein

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)

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.

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:

[high castes] Physicians, ambassadors, scribes (cryptographers), warriors,
[low castes] Animal handlers, Artisans, bakers, bargemen, bleachers, butchers, entertainers, charcoal makers, carvers, fishermen, goat keepers, harnessers, leather workers, merchants, mind healers, money lender, lighters, musicians, players, rencers, rug makers, sailors, slavers, tarn keepers, Tharlaron keepers, urt hunters,

We are looking for: slaves (Landa does not recognize "city slaves")

We are not looking for:

[high castes] admins, Ubars

- THE LANDA TIMES

The Landa Times is looking for correspondents all over Gor.

ROLEPLAY

- PILGRIMAGE

The pilgrimage is a role-play (rp)-tool that allows players of SL Gor visiting different places in relative safety with reasonable role-play background.

"Each Gorean has to visit the Sardar mountain before he reaches the age of twenty-five years. The white caste keeps lists who travels and who does not."

Your journey will take you through many places, through forests and sometimes you'll have to find a small camp or another accommodation for the night. The staff takes you to the places alongside the pilgrimage route. In most places you'll be most welcome but not in all ...

Beside the roleplay background offers the pilgrimage some quite good opportunities for sim owners and players.

Based on the idea of the pilgrimage players can get to know other people and new SIMs. New players have the opportunity to look at lots of places before deciding on where they will play in the future.

SIM owners and city leaders get the opportunity to present "their" cities and regions. Pilgrims travel to new places and get to know with local players. Give them a warm welcome to raise the popularity your own place.

Some cities that offers accommodations for the night for the pilgrims, city tours and invite them to report themselves at the tavern or at the campfire about their journey.

TheSecond Life group "pilgrimage to the Sardar mountain" is a platform on which pilgrims can exchange their positive and negative experiences and Sim owners can get a fee back of their sim.

Furthermore the group is the first hand resource for infos about Peregrinus ceremonies, new sims in the route or technical changes.

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

<http://www.ta-sardar-gor.net/index.php/en/>

KNOWLEDGE

- CONTRACEPTION ON GOR

SLAVEWINE

There are two mixtures of slave wine, both are a blend of watered down Ka-la-na and bitter herbs given to the slave by her Master. The first type, is meant to prevent pregnancy whereas the second type is called "breeding wine" and is given to a girl to counteract the effect the slavewine, when her Master wishes to breed her.

Slave wine is bitter, intentionally so. Its effects lasts for more than a Gorean month. I did not wish the females to conceive. A female slave is taken off slave wine only when it is her master's intention to breed her."

(Marauders of Gor, p 23)

Need I drink that? I asked, apprehensively.

Unless you have had slave wine," he said, "I have no intention of taking you through the streets clad as you are. Suppose you are raped." I put the flask, which he had opened, to my lips. Its opening was large enough to drink freely from. "It is bitter!" I said, touching my lips to it. "It is the standard concentration, and dosage," he said, "plus a little more, for assurance.

Its effect is indefinite, but it is normally renewed annually, primarily for symbolic purposes. I could not believe how bitter it was. I had learned from Susan, whom I had once questioned on the matter, the object.

It is prepared from a derivative of sip root. The formula, too, I had learned, at the insistence of masters and slavers, had been improved by the caste of physicians within the last few years. It was now, for most practical purposes, universally effective. Too, as Drusus Rencius had mentioned, its effects, at least for most practical purposes, lasted indefinitely.

(Kajira of Gor, p 130)

Have you had your slave wine?" asked Ina. "Yes," I said. This is not really wine, or an alcoholic beverage. It is called slave wine I think for the amusement of the Masters. It is extremely bitter. One draught of the substance is reputed to last until the administration of an appropriate releaser. In spite of this belief however or perhaps in deference to tradition, lingering from earlier times, in which, it seems less reliable slave wines were available, doses of this foul stuff are usually administered to female slaves at regular intervals usually once or twice a year. Some girls rather cynical ones, I suspect speculate that the Masters give it to them more often than necessary just because they enjoy watching them down the terrible stuff.
(Dancer of Gor pg 174)

Slave wine makes sense in a slave-holding culture such as Gor. The breeding of slaves, like any sort of domestic animals, and particularly valuable ones, is carefully controlled. As a slave, of course, I could be bred, or crossed, when, and however, my master might see fit. It is the same as with other animals.
(Dancer of Gor, pp 175)

Whereas, as suggested earlier, the effects of slave wine and "the wine of the noble free woman" are identical, the common ingredient being sip root, there is a considerable difference in the two drinks. Slave wine makes no attempt to conceal the bitterness of ground, raw sip root, whereas "the wine of the noble free woman" is flavored, spiced, and sweetened in such a way that it offers no offense to the delicate and more refined sensibility of the free woman.
(Swordsmen of Gor Book 29, pg 235)

SIP ROOT

Sip root is a bitter root whose extract is the active ingredient in slave wine. It is the key ingredient in Gorean contraception. It is used in slave wine which slave girls are required to drink once every year or two to prevent pregnancy. There is no known reliable herbal contraceptive method on Earth. Sip root is referred to in "Blood Brothers of Gor," Book 18, on pages 125 and 319.

In some areas, sip root is chewed raw and it does act as a temporary contraceptive.

"We make them chew carefully and watch closely to see that they swallow, bit by bit, in small swallows, sip roots, as well," said another.

.....I nodded. Sip roots are extremely bitter. Slave wine, incidentally, is made from sip roots.
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.....She did not need the sip root, of course, for, as she had pointed out, she had had some within the moon, and, indeed, the effect of sip root, in the raw state, in most women, is three or four moons. In the concentrated state, as in slave wine, developed by the caste of physicians, the effect is almost indefinite, usually requiring a releaser for its remission, usually administered, to a slave, in which is called the breeding wine, or the "second wine." When this is administered she usually knows that she has been selected for crossing with a handsome male slave.
(Blood Brothers of Gor , pages 46, 124 and 319)

TESLIK

Teslik is the opposite of sip root and is the ingredient in "breeding wine," which is given to slave girls when they are to be used for breeding. Teslik is mentioned in Book 18 on page 320; however, what part of the plant that is used has not been referenced in the novels. There are herbs found on Earth that have similar properties for increasing a woman's fertility.

BREEDING WINE

A sweet beverage which counteracts the effects of slave wine making a slave girl fertile; also called second wine.
(Blood Brothers of Gor, page 319)

TEN FILTERS OF THE INITIATE CASTE

The following article has been written for the Scholarum, but I feel may be of general interest as well. It has been edited for general release.

Ten Filters for those wishing to become Initiates

Today's article is on the filters or barriers that must be passed, overcome, to become a full Initiate. Several, you have already slipped through, unknowing. These filters are part of a refining / purifying process which ensures that only the proper men can attain to the White Caste. The reason there are so few of us, in RL or SL, is because the majority have been filtered away, much as gold, the heaviest mineral, is left in the pan after the lighter larger bits have been swirled off.

There are ten levels which must be passed. However, before you become discouraged, let me reassure you - you have already come, successfully, through five, possibly six of them. Congratulations! The filters, 1. Through 10. Are as follows:

1. Genre 2. Books 3. Writing 4. Slavery 5. Castes 6. Initiates 7. By-The-Book 8. Priest Kings 9. Difficulty and 10. Commitment.

The labels sound pretty strange and possibly even nonsensical at first, but each level will be explained. When taken as a whole, they will make sense to you and you will understand that your success is a one more aspect of the purification process.

Here, without further delay, are the filters. These are RL filters and very effective.

1. Genre

The very Genre that our chronicler, John Norman, chooses to write in "Science Fiction" or "Sci-Fi" to the masses. This genre, also known as "Speculative Fiction" is frequently condemned by many as "Frivolous" "Waste of time" and worse. Those who read it are denigrated as "Trekkies" or "Fans" Thus, those who lack the imagination to LOOK into the future, however bizarre the lens, are filtered out. They take one look at the books and walk away. This filter can be said to be one of the most important because it automatically selects for intelligence! This brings us to the next filtration point: The books themselves.

2. Books

Ah, the books. Since the general “herd” has thinned out to include only the fans of SF (the correct terminology, used instead of “Sci-Fi”) now it is time to filter again. For those who ARE interested in SF, we filter once again. The covers! Boris Vallejo, wild images of naked women cowering at the feet of a sword wielding muscleman - What’s not to love? A LOT! Or so it appears to many SF fans. Book covers can attract or repel. Thus they create another “selection device” excluding those who DO judge a book by its cover.

3. Writing style

If the first was a large filter and the second more refined, here, the third one, is HUGE. It has been said that the wise seek knowledge from all sources, the simpleton, only from those that APPEAR wise. And we come to John Norman’s writing style. Turgid, repetitive, Likened to the repeated impact of a sledge hammer on an aching tooth. And many wonder “Is John Norman STUPID? Does he think his READERS are?!! What is UP with this man?!” And yes, the writings are hard to sludge through. This, however, is simply a harder filter than others. Those who SEE the gleam of gold ahead, persevere. Those who do not, leave. Or they like the gleam of what lies ahead and content themselves with notecards, paraphrases and so on. Either way, they lack the imagination and perseverance to actually sit down and READ THE BOOKS. We can be grateful for that filter as it removes 90% of the “lookie-loos” that plague other fandoms! But for the book readers, now, there are more filters to pass through on the way to the White Caste.

4. Slavery / Misogyny

This is another big filter. Many who might be interested in Gor as a planet, an ecosystem, a society are ultimately turned off by the descriptions fanciful, unreal and psychologically inaccurate, as they seem, of women and slavery. Some are attracted to it and become Masters or slaves and they settle quite happily into their filtration level. Those who will become Initiates slip through this and go farther.

5. Castes

This is a very attractive filter! People can choose, according to their natural interests and bent, to become scribes, assassins, healers, et cetera. At this filtration point, people may look through the castes to ask themselves “Who am I? What do I want to >be< in Gor?” and here is where Norman filters out the majority of Goreans: His descriptions OF the Initiates. This is good!

6. Initiates As Described

Instead of, as a head Warrior, having to sift through a thousand sword waving idiots to pick the GOOD ones... we have our applicants pre-screened, as it were, by John Norman’s DESCRIPTIONS of us! Deceitful, charlatans, preying on fear and superstition, greedy, rapacious, parasitic! Yes THAT’S what I want to be! Uh... Not so much! But it is HERE that we again separate the less imaginative Gorean from the one who wants MORE out of the books, MORE from this world we have made our home! And for those of us who do... there is Om of Ar! Om who explains that the “majority of my caste are simple believers” and then explains that THROUGH the veil of appearances, the truth DOES exist among us. And now we come to the filtration levels that begin to truly winnow out the few left.

7. By The Book

Goreans separate themselves out into BTB (By The Books) and GE (Gor Evolved) and each side sneers disdainfully at the other. One thing they are united in is the belief that Initiates MUST BE BY THE BOOK in every aspect, every detail every roleplay, or dismiss

the entire Caste! Yet, in so doing, they automatically walk, zombie-like, right past the main PREMISE of the writings of Norman: The fact that Tarl Cabot, himself is NOT "By the Books". he is a rebel, challenging even the Priest Kings themselves. The White Caste is not just the highest of castes, it is the FIRST caste of Gor, chronologically. Warriors learn from warriors, scribes from scribes, physicians from physicians... WE take our instructions from the Priest Kings themselves! And THAT *is* by the books. Everything that we do, from our dietary restrictions to the shaving of the head to the purity practices comes directly from the Nest of the Priest Kings, the Sardars themselves. Speaking of Priest Kings, they are the next filter.

8. Nature of Priest Kings.

Norman appeals to the inner atheist in all of us with this. His descriptions of the Priest Kings Divine? No. Gods? Hardly! Mysterious beings who control gravity and are the lawful owners of Gor, THEIR Home Stone! Why become a "religious mystic" following gods that aren't even written as gods?! Because our training and instruction is FROM the Priest Kings and also BEYOND them. Norman has said that our Order is founded in the Egyptian and Greek Mystery schools and he is correct! Those who wish to worship the Priest Kings as "simple believers" are welcome to do so. Those who wish to travel farther and higher, this is your chance. You will pass the Ninth Filter.

9. Difficulty of course

In the Scholarum training we will go beyond the simple descriptions in the books. We will parse them, study them and apply our own filters to find the gold that shimmers there. We will learn how to be Gorean, how to be an Initiate AND how and why we serve as we do, study as we do, and why the laughter of the lower castes means nothing to us. The final filter, Commitment, is the finest and worst.

10. Commitment.

How much TIME are we willing to give? How much effort and work are we willing to undertake? If you have come through all the other filters, this one is relatively easy. You see the gold, you understand that mining it out from the dross is a difficult task. But it is at this level that the ore is purest, the vein richest. Surpass this filter, the last of the Ten and you WILL be an Initiate, the best, the finest, the purest of Goreans!

Ta Sardar Gor!

M.H.I. Fr. Adilokos O.P.O. GST

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Grand Preceptor and
High Initiate of Landa

ONLINISM OF THE WEEK

- ENSLAVEMENT RULES FUR DUMMIES - TEN WAYS TO BE CAPPED AND STILL
LOOK INNOCENT AND PINK

by Lady Judy (Judygirl Beck) of Landa

1) Wander around Gor in a pink dress and blink innocently when somebody calls you "slut"

(many men think it's a kind of foreplay, but they are disappointed if they find out you actually are a slut)

2) Let it slip out of your lips that you are not that good with a bow, but remember asking what side of the arrow should be pointed to the enemy doesn't work (men are not that stupid)

3) Find your prey, study him carefully, look at his profile to be sure his jealous bondmaid/kajira/wench/FW is not around and going to rip your eyes off with a spoon

4) Fake you are ignoring him, actually pay attention to everybody but him, don't let him understand he's your focus, but at a certain moment stumble against him, or cut the string of his bow or pour your hot mead over his new shirt and refuse to clean it.

5) Step out of the safe-zone, yes men love challenging and trying to cap you in RP but remember they mostly love shooting a fair amount of arrows to your butt, it's just a way to understand if it's huge enough to be a good grip later in the furs

6) Name your protectors casually, letting them understand you are never capped anywhere, hinting you might be virgin somewhere even if you should be like the Frejus now (yes you can Google that word, I am not explaining since I am a Lady)

7) Casually let them understand you wouldn't be happy wearing a collar, any-body's collar, because you are free, not used to kneel to anybody, you would never be their pet, nor their leg-parasite, and no, you are not going to submit to any man! (this is the most important part, cos it makes them think you are not going to be around when they are done with you, so it's better if you use a new collar and don't spend half of your RP time taking old owners off your collar)

8) When he starts shooting you, aim to the sky, or to the flying vulos around, don't hit him more than three times! It's safer because he needs his health almost full to have time to bind you properly and feel safe in case there are people around thinking to interfere.

9) Now it's almost done, he capped and bound you, don't go into his IMs immediately, beaming and asking him where he's going to bring you and when he wants to rape you! Don't look self-satisfied! And yes, take that smile off your face! You need to seem disappointed, offended and also a bit mad at him because he has beaten you despite your excellent bow skills

10) RP limits: this is the most important moment, he's trying to understand what he can and what he can't do with you, and we all know what YOU want, so a "keep it Gorean" can be enough, it really doesn't mean anything, cos Goreans are characters in a book and in SL everybody RPs Gor as they please, but it will make you look like a serious (*coughs*) RPer
ENJOY!