

THE LANDA TIMES

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EDITORIAL

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

"They seem angry," he said.

(Magicians of Gor)

As I searched for a topic for this weeks editorial, it suddenly came to me what to write about. Civility, kindness and unselfishness are things that seldom get mentioned in Gor. However, they do exist.

I saw a slave helping an old man down the street. I saw a Free Man open the door for a Free Woman. I have seen Warriors giving their life for their brother and Home Stone. All of these are examples of civility, kindness and unselfishness.

As Goreans we are survivalists. Gor is a hard and non-forgiving world. You have to be strong to just survive. However, you can be strong and still have civility. You can be strong and still show some kindness.

When going about your normal daily activities in the city, show civility and kindness to your fellow citizen. It will make the whole city stronger.

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.

Sherman Easterwood

CITY NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- NEW CITIZENS

Welcome to all the new citizens of Landa. Landa continues to grow and prosper and each citizen plays an important role in the city. Landa is proud you chose us as your Home Stone.

- NEWS

MAGISTRATE INVESTIGATES LART ATTACK

The Magistrate of Landa has started the investigation into an alleged lart attack on a citizen and a slave. It is unclear how an animal, usually from the north, found its way to Landa. We will keep you updated as this story unfolds.

AMBASSADOR TRAVELS TO PORT MEQARA

The Ambassador of Landa is staying busy with starting talks with ports and cities. The Ambassador recently visited Port Meqara to strengthen an existing trade agreement. Watch this scroll for more news regarding the Ambassador's activity.

A TRIP TO THE HUB

Sunday I made a trip to the HUB to recruit. It is not a place I like to visit frequently, the bad reputation it is gathering, all in all I'd rather spend my time inside Landa and with its people than at the HUB. Away I went though, and the people I saw, why they could twist your hair!

My Companion soon followed, our Admin did as well. We looked rather formidable with the Landa Flag behind us, and we might have been lucky as well. One can't always quite tell when one is fishing.

Our Admin recruited an old man with a walking stick who seems to need some sun. He is rather pale and has a keen resemblance with another old man who was the talk of the city just recently. His name is Speusippus Goodfellow, perhaps you remember the name 'Speusippus' from the book "Kajira of Gor"?

I managed to recruit a boy for our Slaver, Lady Mazzy, a girl who may or might not remain in my family and the Warrior Willow Feden.

As I was standing there, I saw a pretty kajira who looked a bit lost. I was wondering who she might be looking for and I read something in her profile that made me smile, let me quote for you all:

"a girl kept walking behind a Master, and even though he looked at her sternly, she remained behind him. Finally he became irritated, turned to her and asked her rather

sternly: "why are you following me?" the girl looked up to him, her heart in her eyes as she answered: "Master, my mother always told me to follow my dream"

I smiles and thought, if only all slaves would learn to be loving and kind and most of all learn to respect the Free. I wish their Masters would teach them the most important rule, "The Free are always right, even when they are wrong". Most often we see slaves who are so self serving, they seem to forget they are slaves. Their mouths seems to go continuously, running away and their brain is on high drive, interrupting conversations and so forth. They forget their place, and are more a nuisance then a pleasure to be with. If slaves only learned to be slaves.

Lady Dezire Sciarri

- ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE ADMIN

HOUSES FOR RENT IN LANDA II

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

GROUPS IN LANDA

Isle of Landa Land Group (to rez, 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 slaverhouses)
Landa Blue Caste
Landa Green Caste
Landa Council
Landa Merchant Caste
Landa Moderators
Landa Scarlet Caste
Landa's Free Women Society

VIPS IN LANDA

Dezire Sciarri (sim owner), Head Scribe
Sherman Easterwood (sim owner), Magistrate, Moderator
Yuroki Uriza (administrator), Moderator
Blade Snowdrop, Master Assassin, moderator

Judygirl Beck, Head Physician

Mazana Juventa, Head Slaver
TripRift Resident, Commander

THE LANDA SOCIAL SCENE

- GREAT TIME IN THE INN

Tonight, as we exchanged the long table at the Inn for a round and cozy one. 2 slaves arrived, lilith and her sister mahasin.

The girls offered to serve us and we sent them to make us dinner

Sherman got a rare bosk steak, I got one lovely cooked to a medium rare and suls fried in onions...

Mahasin also served Sherman paga and I got a lovely ramberry milk shake... it was a great dinner...

I had the girls make three steaks and invited Trip as well, but he was on the road to Treve and eating there.. so as I gave the steak to the girls, Sherman snapped it out of my hands and we had a tug of war... but in the end. your girls ate well, cleaned the kitchen and went to kennel for the night.

All in all... we had a great time with them. smiles

PAINTINGS OF LANDA

Citizens of Landa, send you favourite paintings of our wonderful town to the Landa Times!

REGIONAL NEWS

- SCAVANGER HUNT IN TYROS

Word has echoed across the streets of Tentium and Kasra that a ship was found wrecked upon Tyro's golden shores. The goods were immediately seized and carted off by merchants, thieves, low caste and she-urts and hidden around the cities! These goods must be recovered and we need your help in seizing and obtaining all this property!

Where: The Isle of Tyros, City of Tentium and Kasra

TAFA JOINS SOUTHERN TRADE ALLIANCE (STA)

Tafa recently joined the STA. The STA is a trade alliance that supports the trade between it's members. Landa is a proud member of the STA and encourages it's merchant to trade with STA members.

The Delegation of Port Tafa
jeffrey Hawksby: Admin/Head Merchant
Millard Sworthain: Ambassador
Niccodemus Threebeards : Captain of the Scarlet

CASTE REPORTS OF LANDA

GREEN CASTE

WHY SLAVERS & SLAVE OWNERS MUST FILL OUT THE OWNER'S PART OF A SLAVE'S MEDICAL PAPERS PRIOR TO A SLAVE'S EXAM:

If a physician performs a medical exam on a slave whose owner/slaver did not fill out their part of the paperwork, then the following issues would arise:

- a) the physician has not received the owner's authorization to perform a medical exam on his/her slave, and that could result in a conflict between the physician and owner/slaver.
- b) Without proper ownership papers filled out for slaves to be examined, any infirmity costs incurred to perform a slave's exam could be dismissed by the slave's owner since he/she had not given their written permission by completing the owner's part of the medical exam papers.
- c) Slaves newly acquired from earth would not be able to communicate in gorean and would be unable to supply the physician with the information required.
- d) Without the owner/slaver filling out the paperwork on the slave the physician has no knowledge as to how or where the slave was acquired, if the slave was born on Gor or from earth, what the slave's past medical background was.

Brett (Brett2000McMasters Resident),

Physician in Landa

From the Infirmary
Notice to all citizens.

For the general health and welfare of all free citizens of the the City of Landa, Port Shilo, and its surrounding areas, please be advised that all new slaves brought to the city, however obtained, must undergo a physical examination by an authorized member of the Green Caste, and if such is required, a pest decontamination. This should take place within 48 hours of their arrival.

Before such examination, please do not allow such newly acquired slave near a water supply, or to handle food, and it is suggested that intimate contact also be delayed.

A copy of all slave exams will be filed with the City Chief Scribe, and such are public records. Copies may be obtained for an appropriate fee to be determined by the Scribery .

The Infirmary Fee for a slave examination is two copper tarsks, which includes one

sealed copy of the original report for the owner of the property.

Judygirl Beck
Head Physician

BLUE CASTE

*☆☆ BLUE CASTE REPORT ☆☆☆

I am happy to report that the Blue Caste is doing well even though we are in need of Scribes etc.

We did interview 2 traveling scribes who seem to be interested in settling in Landa, after all, we are being told frequently how beautiful our city is.

However, after we were interrupted, the couple decided to look at more cities before making their final decision. We will follow up after having given them ample time to look around.

From the desk of the High Scribe
Lady Dez

MERCHANT CASTE

- INN

Okay here are a few things I want to clear up about the Inn.

- we do not have a large supply of ice, ice is to only be used for keeping fresh meats, juices and things cool, not to ice a drink.

- We do not have Sul Paga, it is a drink of the peasants and is rarely found outside the villages it is made in.

- Sa Paga is kept warmed over the flames in a small vat. Or in a bottle in the kitchen. We do not serve cold sa paga!

- ka-la-na can be served cold, warm or hot, it is usually served in a goblet unless served warmed then it is in a clay bowl. We have cheap ka-la-na instead of the fine wine of Ar.

- We do have Rence beer.

- We do not have mead.

- The rooms come with a meal.

Weekly Inn Menu

- Monday is bosk stew, sa-tarma bread and larma pie days.

- Tuesday is verr, suls, black bread and choice of fruit.

- Wednesday is tarsk meat, veggies, sa-tarma bread, pie.

- Thursday is bosk steak and yellow bread, peas and Torian olives, and Suls, broken open and filled with melted bosk cheese.
- Friday is Sullage with freash bread and a choice of dessert.
- Saturday is a mash of vulo meat and rice with cookies.
- Sunday is freash catch of fish day with freash veggies and a freash dessert from the bakery.

- blackwine is kept warm near the fires in the kitchen. It is costly.

- Bazi tea is served in three tiny cups highly sugared. It is expensive!

- Our fruit consists of apircots, cherries, larma, plum, ta-grapes, ram-berries and tospit.

- Our veggies are beans, suls, carrots, corn, Katch, Kort, peas and Tur-pah.

- Our meats are Verr, tarsk, bosk, vulo, vulo eggs, freash fish.

Soon we will have a price list out for the Inn. Till then drinks are a copper and meals are two coppers. Unless it is Blackwine which is four coppers and ka-la-na is three coppers.

Thank you,
Lady Tassy

- SLAVER HOUSES

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 seperately 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)

Sold:

The slave Talyne has been sold to Drake (Loup), merchant

The slave Ra'naa (Raeven Swords) has been released.

The slave Nuovo (Eykis Benoir) has been stolen probably, we are searching for her. [OOC:

The slave Tabitha (Tamirah Resident) is missing.

- 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 now. The bank is privately owned, but the company got a banking license from the city of Landa, the mint too.

HOY FOREIGN CURRENCY EXCHANGE RATES

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The HoY Bank accepts and converts
(NON COPYABLE PRIM COINS ONLY)

HOY BANK

Coins of landa (made by the mint of Landa, branch of the HoY bank, named: landa Tarsk)

Coins of Oasis of Klima (made by the mint of Landa, branch of the HoY bank) 1 landa Tarsk = 1 Klima Tarsk

Coins of Tentium/Tyros (made by the mint of Landa, branch of the HoY bank, only new version):

1 landa copper tarsk = 10 new copper tarsks of Tyros

1 ianda silver tarsl = 1 new silver tarsk of Tyros

1 landa gold tarn = 1 new gold tarn of Tyros

Tyros charges 10% conversion of coins from allied cities (those Tentium have trade agreements with) and 20% for all others)

CITIES WHICH USE COINS MADE BY THE MINT OF LANDA

Coins of Tafa Trading Post (made by the mint of Landa):

1 landa copper tarsk = 10 copper tarsks of Tafa

1 ianda silver tarsk = 2 silver tarsk of Tafa

1 landa gold tarn = 2 new gold tarsk of Tafa

Coins of Piedmont (made by the mint of Landa) 1:1

CITIES WHICH USE THEIR OWN COINS BUT CONVERT COINS OF IANDA

Coins of Rose Isles (they accept landa coins) 1:1 (contract)

Coins of Port Kar (they accept landa coins) 1:1 (contract)

Coins of Sais (they accept landa coins) 1:1 (contract)

City of Turia 1 ingot for every 124 tarns/tarsks of the same metal (contract)

CITIES WHICH DO NOT ACCEPT IANDA COINS

Coins of Treve (Tarn system, made by Koh Gausman) 1 landa Tarsk = 2 Treve tarn

Coins of Besnitt (made by Yuroki Uriza) 1: 1

Coins of new Vonda (made by Venus Flytrap) 1:2

Coins of Ka'Zahr (made by Maria Tisane or Xander Tzal) 1:2

Rarn - City of Copper (made by Kitten Muhindra) 1:2

OLD COINS

Coins of Thentis (Thentis do not convert coins of Landa) 1 landa Tarsk = 10 Thentis Tarsks

Coins of Port Cos (made by the mint of Landa, branch of the HoY bank) 1:2

Coins of former Vonda (made by Jarvis Quan, new Vonda does not convert coins of Landa) 1 landa Tarsk = 5 Vonda Tarsks

Coins of former Port of Victoria (made by Deb alcott) 1 landa Tarsk = 5 Victoria Tarsks

Coins of Imperial Ar (made by Asea Andel) 1 landa Tarsk = 1 Imperial Ar Tarsk

Coins of Tyros (old version, made by the mint of Landa) 1:1 (only silver and gold)

NOT LONGER VALID

Old Landa coins (named: Landa Tarsk)

Old copper tarsks of Tyros

COMIING SOON

Coins of Kurt Falls (made by the mint of Landa) 1:1

Coins of Ostia (made by the mint of Landa) 1:1

Coins of Port Meqara Point (made by the mint of Landa) 1:1

Fluctuations in exchange rates are possible.

ADVERTISEMENTS AND JOB OFFERS

SLAVERHOUSE OF YUROKI (HoY)

- We need warriors or mercenaries who can escort our female agents if they need to travel. Four copper coins paid monthly

BANK OF LANDA

- We need merchants who would be able to establish trading connections with cities which use similar coin systems, such as as Thentis, Sardar, Victoria, Rarn, Port Kar, Turia and so on. Two copper coins paid monthly. To make your own coins and income would be possible.

CITY OF LANDA

Lower castes are welcome too!

OOO ROLEPLAY EXAMPLES

FYI:

NOTE: As the former Ubar of Treve who had become a spy for his homestone, George (aka The Gipper) Gipp was in dispute with the Ubara about whether he had delivered the

two messages she had contract him to. In the midst of the dispute, Wolf (Master Assassin in Treve Ronald Petlyakov) entered the stage having been sent for by one of the Ubara's guards. After having listened for sometime, Wolf was instructed by the Ubara to turn the old man to dust, and so he did.

-Validation/Acknowledgment-

After more careful research, Ronald Petlyakov (Wolf) carried out the kill both in obedience to his Caste Codes and the Sim Laws. As a member of the Black Caste, he may accept three types of contracts: guard, assassin, and messenger. In the case above, Wolf was hired as a guard, being paid afterwards for his duty. Although the Gipper was not threatening the Ubara nor did he draw a weapon, as a guard, Wolf was still acting as a guard by killing the Gipper per the Ubara's request, which she paid for afterwards. Guards do not have to put on the mark to kill first nor do they have to hunt first, a book example would be when Hup the Fool, attacked in a tavern, hired Tarl as a guard.

The kill of the Gipper was valid.

- SLAVE CHORES

MAHASIN AND TALYNNE PREPARE A DINNER

Talynne and Mahasin spent their day gathering vegetables and picking berries, and collecting eggs and milk. With the Tavern Keeper's help with slaughtering a bosk, they had fresh bosk steaks as well. They carried all their gatherings back to the Inn and spent the late afternoon hours peeling suls and slicing onions, sorting out the ripest berries from the bad ones. They skinned the tarsk and skewered it, keeping a close watch on it, turning the spit every few minutes and roasting it to juicy perfection. Talynne taught Mahasin how to make pastry dough and they prepared flakey ramberry tarts. Remembering the Magistrate's love of chocolate they also baked a chocolate cake iced with fudge frosting made by Mahasin. When the tarsk neared doneness, they roasted the thick bosk steaks to a tender rare. They baked several pans of sa tarna bread and whipped up fresh creamery butter. Today, the pots and kettles warming on the hearth in the Inn's kitchen are filled with...sorp stew with suls and onions, roasted tarsk served sliced from the spit, thick rare bosk steaks roasted in their own juices, fresh baked sa tarna bread with creamery butter and flakey ramberry tarts and chocolate cake. They emerged from the kitchen, their faces covered in flour, their fingers stained with ramberrries, and their legs covered with thorn scratches. They beamed proudly as the aromas of the Inn wafted out into the city's square.

CORA'S SUICIDE

[14:48] Cora Mynx dangled her legs over the water, eyes upon the brand burned into her thigh, a brand over a brand, over a brand.. a fitting metaphor for the life she'd come to lead. Almost without emotion she pulls up one ankle, and with a smooth precious she binds it with a lenght of rope and loops the other end around a rather large stone she'd hauled over for the occasion, not trusting her natural inclination to swim as she'd done for so long.

[14:51] Cora Mynx: With a final glance at the sun, she pushes the rock over the edge of the pier, a short scream torn from her lips as she follows with a splash and struggles

against the water, her own body's will to live overcoming her mind's yearning to die. As the rock pulls her toward the bottom of the Thassa, she pulls in a lungful of air, salty water burning like fire and her struggling slows to a weak twitch for a few painful moments, and then she's gone.

[14:52] GM 4.02 shouts: Cora Mynx has been killed

KNOWLEDGE

- QUOTE FROM KAJIRA OF GOR

"The culprit was a small, vile man with a twisted body. He was an itinerant peddler, Speusippus of Turia. I had found him inutterably detestable. A Corcyran merchant had brought charges against him. He had received a bowl from Speusippus which was purportedly silver, a bowl seemingly stamped with the appropriate seal of Ar. The bowl upon inspection, the merchant becoming suspicious as to the weights involved, had turned out to be merely plated.

Further, since the smithies of Ar, those authorized to use the various stamps of Ar, will not plate objects without using relevant variations on the seal of Ar to, indicate this, the object was not only- being misrepresented but was, in effect, a forged artifact. This had led to a seizure and search of the stores and records of Speusippus.

Various other discrepancies were found. He had two sets of weights, one true and one false. Too, documents were found recording the purchase of quantities of slave hair, at suitable prices, some even within the city of Corcyrus itself. This hair, as was attested to by witnesses, had been represented to the public as that of free women, with appropriate prices being expected."

ONLINISM OF THE WEEK

The slave of Marius the Merchant approached me. I frowned, her features were not appealing to me.

"A drink, Master?", she asked, and smiled.

"No," said I, "I do not like your face. Change it, slave"

She looked down, her face saddened. "I cannot", she replied, and looked to the side in shame, "Master"

I took the knife from my belt, and quickly slit her throat. I would pay compensation to Marius later.

- Insane Asshole of Gor, page 102

"Learn, slave", said I, "or die"

"No," said she, "it is fun to disobey"

- Attention Whore of Gor, page 114

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