

Food Summit to Address Surviving the Great Illness of the Land of Oz

Saturday, November the 16th, will meet in our own town of Horizon's Stronghold to discuss the ongoing Great Illness afflicting our Land. Among these important personages are Mr Brough Cade from Winkieland, Mr Boor Durland of outer Munchkinland, and Ms Emma Neighting of Quadling Country, among others. The summit is to include three Munckins, two Winkies, two Quadlings, two Gillikins and three representatives from the E.C. Our own High Bureaucrat, Brunhilde, will be making arrangements for these delegates to stay in town, and citizens are reminded that these delegates' safety and comfort is of the utmost importance. Due to the importance of the deliberations, there can be no delays for any reason.

-Article submitted by the Bureaucrat's Guild

Food Riots in the Emerald City. Will There Be Enough Food for the Winter?

By George Aleister Wright

In the face of an unprecedented threat of a food shortage across the land, the citizens of the Emerald city have rioted out of fear. It seems that Ozites are unfamiliar with hunger, as food has been bountiful all-year around for as long as anyone can remember. Though the Stormriders such as myself have long experienced the changing of the seasons and the necessity of preparing food stores for the winter, the concept is brand new to the natives of this land. In fact, the concept of food spoilage as a whole seems to be foreign to the native Ozites. Though many are skeptical about the impending food shortage, our newly elected Deputy of Invention, Miss Preena Glass, has offered an 8 Emerald Prize for the creation of an invention that will solve the perceived food preservation problem. Please submit your ideas to Preena directly to avert the hardship that will surely fall upon those unprepared.



Deputy of Invention Elected!

The Mayor announced during the town meeting the creation of a new official town position called the Deputy of Invention. The role of this new position is to bring together the brightest minds and solve town crises through "innovation, speculation, and devination". The townspeople present at the town meeting unanimously elected Miss Preena Glass to the position. Congratulations Miss Glass!

Hungry? Join the Army!

Can't seem to find enough to fill your belly? "Join the Scarecrow's Army!" Captain Jebidiah Collins

exclaims. "The Scarecrow's Army guarantees food and protection to those who serve."

When asked if all starving people will be guaranteed food, both the Duchess Abby Buttercup representing Ozma's Army and Bonobo Griff of Askadellia's army confirmed that each of their armies will be matching or exceeding the Scarecrow Army's benefits. Please see your local recruiter for details.

VOTE FOR MAYOR EWENICE

A vote for Mayor Ewenice is a Vote for Tradition!

A vote for Mayor Ewenice is a Vote for Stability!

A vote for Mayor Ewenice is a Vote for Decency!

As Mayor of the town of Horizon's Stronghold for the last 6 years, Mayor Ewenice - the Humblest Sheep - has gotten this town through tragedy and brought the town stability. A Ewe for the people, she has served the town Faithfully, and always with a smile.

When voting this November, remember: Ewenice: the Humblest Mayor.

H.P. INVENTO FOR MAYOR!

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A VOTE FOR H.P. IS A VOTE FOR EVERYONE!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Message from the Mayor:

Town Hall Meeting: Saturday, September 21st, 3pm

Your elected officials will be available to discuss issues plaguing the town. Please remember the following rules in the open forum.

- Please do not fire your weapons during the town meeting, roofing is expensive.
 - Please keep your Constructs and other devices under control for the duration of the meeting. We don't want a repeat of the Great Hypnotica incident.
 - Anyone found excessively intoxicated will be removed by an officer and held until sober. This means you, Brig.
- To Health and Prospaaaaarity!
Dictated but not read by: Ewenice the Humblest Sheep



Boxing Chapions

Changelings to Lose Vote

In light of the recent Changeling Uprisings, the concerned citizens of Oz have proposed a measure that would make it illegal for Changelings to vote anywhere in the Land of Oz. Many local municipalities have already instituted such measures, claiming that the unpredictable nature of changelings would compromise the integrity and stability of their fair cities. "Putting our nation's welfare in the hands of those who can't even control their basest of violent urges would be irresponsible," said a spokeswoman for the bureaucrat's guild. The Emerald City Changelings club, which has long been fighting for Guild status, feels that this is a huge setback to Changeling interests. They urge the rural Changelings to "cease their excessive behavior," promising that there is a better way to earn a place in Oz society. The Scarecrow has called an emergency survey to gather the opinions of the people before making his decision. Citizens of Oz are urged to look for representatives of the Bureaucrat's Guild to voice their opinions. Should the Changelings of Oz continue to sway policy despite their unreasonable behaviors? The Bureaucrat's guild wants to know your thoughts.

-Article submitted by the Bureaucrat's Guild on behalf of his highness, the Scarecrow.

Grubber's Guild to Rescue Citizens from the Death of Oz

The Grubber's Guild announced this week that they have a plan in place to make sure that the esteemed citizens of Oz will have food in the coming Dark Times. An upcoming Food Summit has also been called, to work out the finer details, but Grubber's Guild assures us that they are prepared to begin their distribution plan next week. For the plan to work, they say, everyone should stay put in their homes and wait for the food to arrive. "It is of pivotal importance that the roads stay clear," says a representative of the Grubber's guild. "And besides that, your homes are the safest place to be. Travel conditions are worsening, and if we can't find you, we can't feed you." The Guild expects to legally limit inter-county travel soon, with exceptions determined by the coming Food Summit. Citizens are urged to fortify their homes and save their food until the first deliveries can be made, sometime in December.

-Article submitted by the Grubber's Guild

Note from A Doctor

"Winter is nearly upon us, and with it comes a whole host of sicknesses. To help protect Horizon Stronghold, Doctor Sebastian LaCroix is now opening a physician's clinic. Come and get yourself a check-up! Only 1 bit! The best doctoring this side of the Mississippi is yours for a fair price."

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Mission Statement of The Stronghold Gazette

OBJECTIVE

To produce economically sound newspapers that add to the identity and pride of the communities they serve, record the history of the town and its people, and make a difference in the quality of life of HORIZON'S STRONGHOLD community.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Newspaper,

You and your stormrider friends should go back where you came from! You are what is killing our land and starving our children!

-Anonymous

Dear Newspaper,

How do I get my likeness into the paper? I think it would be marvelous to be famous!

-Darla LairaBee

Dear Newspaper,

I would like to extend my sympathies to those who have lost loved ones in the recent Changeling attacks, and to those who have been hit hard by the recent changes to the land. In these difficult times, it is important to unite as a community and help each other however we can. I pledge to the citizens of LairaBee County that I will be working hard with the local growers and soldiers to keep our community fed and protected. Please, if you need anything, don't hesitate to contact me – the Du Plats are here for you.

-Sorschia Du Plat of the E.C. Du Plats.

It has been brought to the community's attention that the esteemed LairaBee family may have changeling heritage in their bloodline. But, looking back, isn't it obvious? Lair o' Bees? As such, the mayor of LairaBee, Brent LairaBee, is illegally holding the office of Mayor until he can produce papers of domesticity. The community urges you to demand the mayor submit to the laws the rest of us live by.

- "A Moral and Just Community Member Looking Out for the Interests of the County"

Wayward Construct

Missing, one construct. Goes by the name of Peaches. If found, please notify the sheriff.



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