#### Tuesday: September 26, 2017

		Anyone who is arriving a day early and wishes to help out in
All Day	Moving Day	moving props and decorations from Mister Baggin's dwelling to
		Shaker Village.

### Wednesday: September 27, 2017

10:00 AM	The Trading Post	Will be open for vendors to begin setup of their tables and should be completed by 3:00pm
	REGISTRATION CHECK-IN WFD: common area, back room	Begin setup of Registrations and should be ready by Noon.
12:00 PM	REGISTRATION CHECK-IN WFD: common area, back room	Registration Check-In OPENS
2:30 PM	The Trading Post	Training for all TP Volunteers
3:00 PM	The Trading Post	OPENS
5:00 PM	The Trading Post	Closes
	REGISTRATIONS	Closes and moves to the Meadow View Barn for dinner.
6:00 PM	Meadow View Barn	Welcoming by your host followed by dinner.
7:00 PM		Opening Night Entertainment
9:00 PM	Dancing Pony	ALEP After Hours opens
2:00 AM		Closes for the night.

### SOME HOPEFULLY HELPFUL HOBBIT HINTS

WFD	West Family Dwelling	This houses a well used common area on the 1st floor as well as Registrations in the back room which also has it's own entrance from outside. The Dancing Pony can be found in the basement. And we you pick up your sack lunches in the Dancing Pony.
EFD	East Family Dwelling	This is on the "east" side of the village and also has a nice common room.
SV	Shaker Village	'nough said
Trading Post	Preserves Shop	by SV reckoning. Here you will find the official ALEP treasures as well as items hand-made by your fellow attendees. Pre-orders will also be here for pickup.
WF-Cellar	West Family Cellar	The Dancing Pony is here and also where we pick up and sack lunches. Also called the "Pony"
MVB	Meadow View Barn	"the Barn" is where we hold our evening dinners and entertainment. This is where the "fellowship" happens.
Party Site	@ West Lot	A mile and a half from the Village proper and the location of Saturday afternoon/evening festivities included dinner.
SV Check-In	Welcome Center	the "Front Desk" has been moved to where the gift shop was and has become a Welcome Center.

# ALEP 4 ~ Schedule of Events

#### Thursday: September 28, 2017

7:30-10am	Trustees Building	Breakfast: Check your seating times
ТВА	The Trading Post	OPENS
10:00 AM	Meeting Rm C Dr. Amy Sturgis	<ul> <li>#1: Why Harry Potter is a Hobbit</li> <li>This talk would use J.K. Rowling's Harry Potter series as a case study of how continually relevant and applicable Tolkien's argument in his great essay "On Fairy-Stories" remains.</li> <li>Repeats: Friday @ 2:00pm</li> </ul>
	WFD: common area	Hobbit Yule Crafts 101: Bow Making by Kelli Lynch & Dana Hinterleitner Make beautiful bows for your Yule gifts. Materials to be provided. This is a make and take with patterns and instructions to keep. Limited to 15 attendees. Hot tea and cookies provided for 2nd breakfast. Bring your own tea cup.
	Outdoors: around WFD	Ranger Camping 101 by Mary & Tony Branch A demonstration of skills and tools (conceivably) used by Rangers in the wild (e.g. camping, cooking, fire-building, etc)
11:00 AM	Outdoors: around WFD	Weapons by Shawn Short
	Dancing Pony	<b>Elvish Calligraphy</b> by Marie Prosser Practice writing in Tolkien's envented alphabets, Cirth and Tengwar. Materials will be provided.
11:30-1:00	Dancing Pony	Lunch will be available to grab and go
12:00 PM	River Boat Cruise	Recommended to arrive at the launch site at least 15 minuted early. The Dixie Belle pulls away promptly at noon. Carpooling is suggested. Be sure to have your Boarding Pass for the boat or you won't be permitted aboard.
1:00 PM	Dancing Pony	<b>Trivia Qualifer</b> If you're interested in participating in the evening Trivia Contest then come to the Pony and take the qualifying quiz.
2:00 PM	Meeting Rm D Dr. Micheal Drout	#2: <b>Tolkien and the Artifact</b> Investigating how Tolkien creates so many fascinating things (rings, silmarils, phial of Galadriel, palantiri, Elendilmire, Elessar) And why people feel the need to create them in real life. Repeats on Friday @ 10:30am
2:30 PM	Meeting Rm C Dr. Amy Sturgis	<ul> <li>#3: Writing Workshop</li> <li>Part talk (what makes good fan fiction, examples of what works and doesn't, some dos &amp; don'ts), part group discussion, and part active workshop (quick writes by those attendees who wish to participate, sharing and feedback by all). (2 hours)</li> <li>Repeats on Saturday @ 10:00am</li> </ul>
	WFD: common area	Voice Lesson
	Outdoors: around WFD	<b>Elven Yule Thread Crafts 101</b> Make simple counted cross-stitch Yule towels using 2 simple patterns (the White Tree of Gondor and The Evenstar) using waste canvas. This is a make and take with all supplies provided (DMC thread, waste canvas, patterns, and 2 teas towels per person. Afternoon Tea and Lembas provided. Limited to 10 attendees.
		Bring your own tea cup.

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3:00 PM	Dancing Pony	Sauron Revealed by LeiLani Hinds Who is Sauron? A presentation discussing evidence in The Lord of the Rings, in Tolkien's other writings, and in external sources that Sauron not only has the characteristics of traditional evil wizards, but also that Professor Toldien had in mind a real-life person that contributed to the creation of this powerful figure of evil. An earlier version of this paper was presented at the Tolkien Society Conference in 2005 at Loughborough University in England.
4:00 PM	Outdoors: around WFD	Dance Steps by Mary Condon & Marc Gunn
	Meeting Rm D Dr. Micheal Drout	<ul> <li>#1: Bindo Bolger-Baggins? Marmaduke Brandybuck?</li> <li>Revise! Revise! Revise!</li> <li>Before writing your own fan-fic, let's hear about Tolkien's revision process.</li> <li>This is the only presentation of this panel.</li> </ul>
5:30 PM	The Trading Post	Closes
	& Registrations	Closes and moves to the Meadow View Barn for dinner.
6:30 PM		Welcome all good Elves and Wizards to dinner.
7:30 PM		Nightly Shenanagions
8:30 PM	Meadow View Barn	Slide show in memory of Jef Murray New-comers to ALEP who did not know Jef will be given the opportunity to leave if so desired.
8:45 PM		Procession of Elves by lamp light departing the barn.
9:00 PM	behind WFD	ALEP's Circle of Fire: Memorial/Tribute to our Blue Wizard
9:00 PM	Dancing Pony	ALEP After Hours opens
2:00 AM		Closes for the night.

### Friday: September 29, 2017

7:30-10am	Trustees Building	Breakfast: Check your seating times
TBA	The Trading Post	OPENS
10:00 AM	Outdoors: around WFD	Ranger Camping 101 (repeat)
10:30 AM	Meeting Rm C Dr. Amy Sturgis	#2: <b>The Jedi of M-E</b> Investigating parallels between The Lord of the Rings and Star Wars. Repeats on Friday @ 4:30
	Meeting Rm D Dr. Micheal Drout	#2: Tolkien & the Artifact Repeated from Thurs 2pm
11:00 AM	WFD: common area	Hobbit Yule Crafts 102 by Kelli Lynch & Dana Hinterleitner Learn to make some Shire-inspired ornaments for your Yule Tree. Supplies will be inclued (styrofoam, scrap cotton fabric, pins & cording). Two ornaments per person. This is a make and take; limited to 10 attendees. Tea & cookies for Elvensies will be provided. Bring your own tea cup, and if so inclined, some cotton Yule fabric.
	Outdoors: around WFD	Weapons by Shawn Short
11:30-1:00	Dancing Pony	Lunch will be available to grab and go
12:30 PM	Outdoors: around WFD	Hikes in the Shire by Richie Brown
1:00 PM	Outdoors: around WFD	Elven Yule Thread Crafts 102 Make beautiful flowers to adorn your costumes or for decoration using DMC embroidery floss. Cookies and Lembas will be servied. This is a make and take at no charge. Bring your own beverages.

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2:00 PM	Meeting Rm C	#1: Why Harry Potter is a Hobbit
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2:30 PM	WFD: common area	CHOIR: Voice Lesson
	Outdoors: around WFD	Dance Steps
		by Mary Condon & Marc Gunn
3:00 PM	WFD: common area	CHOIR: 3:00-4:30pm
3:30 PM	Meeting Rm D Dr. Micheal Drout	#3: <b>Tolkien's Medieval Scholarship</b> Talk on Tolkien's Beowulf translation or possibly Christopher's publishes the poetic partial translation. Repeats on Saturday @ 10:30
4:30 PM	Meeting Rm C Dr. Amy Sturgis	#2: <b>The Jedi of M-E</b> repeated from 10:30am Friday Investigating parallels between The Lord of the Rings and Star Wars.
5:30 PM	The Trading Post	Closes
6:30 PM	Meadow View Barn	Welcome all you baddies of M-E to dinner.
7:30 PM		Nightly Shenanagions
9:00 PM	Dancing Pony	ALEP After Hours opens
2:00 AM		Closes for the night.

### Saturday: September 30, 2017

7:30-10am	Trustees Building	Breakfast: Check your seating times
TBA	The Trading Post	OPENS
10:00 AM	Meeting Rm C Dr. Amy Sturgis	#3: Writing Workshop repeated from 2:30 Thursday
10:30 AM	Meeting Rm D	#3: Tolkien's Medieval Scholarship
10.30 AM	Dr. Micheal Drout	Repeated from 3:30 Friday
11:00 AM	WFD: common area	I am Tolkienite by Marie Miesel Give your Tolkien story in 5 minutes or less. When and how did you learn about Middle-Earth? What brought you to ALEP?
	Dancing Pony	<b>Circlet Making</b> by Kelly Gable A little DIY circlet making session to make headpieces from floral wire and metal wire. Materials will be provided and first come first serve. A \$2 donation is welcome but not mandatory. If you have specific flowers, gems or ribbons you want to incorporate feel free to bring them.
11:30 AM	Outdoors (TBA)	Siege Weapons: The Corsair Engineer by Anthony Lamanna Catapults, trebuchets and ballistae oh my! Come learn about the science and engineering behind the siege weapons used by the forces of Mordor during the Battles of Hornburg and Pelennor Fields. The concepts of torsion, elasticity, gravity and trajectories are interesting, even more so when discussed while playing with working models.
11:30-1:00	Dancing Pony	Lunch will be available to grab and go
	Dancing Pony	M-E Moms
12:30 PM	Begin the migration to The Pa	rty Field (West Lot)
1:00 PM	Archery Field	Let the games begin!
1:30 PM	Outdoors: around West Lot	Middle-Earth Outfitters by Kelly Gable A competitive costuming display! Two teams of two…
2:00 PM	The Trading Post	Closes   Any remaining Registrations moves to the West Lot
2:30 PM	Meeting Rm A	CHOIR: Voice Lesson
3:00 PM	Meeting Rm A	CHOIR: Hobbits 3:00-4:30

3:30 PM	Meeting Rm B	<b>Costumes: Historical Basis</b> by Rae Lundquist As an amateur costume historian, in the movies I've noticed real time/historical inspirations for the costumes of M-E; from the decidedly Nordic and Viking inspired garb of the dwarves to the elegant bliants and gowns of the 13-14th Century French that adorn the elves, to the vary British mid-1800's clothing of the Shire. Find out what silhouettes distinguish each race in M-E, and which modern day patterns can help you achieve that special look for your M-E character. \$2 donation for printing costs.
4:30 PM	Outdoors: around West Lot	Dance Steps by Mary Condon & Marc Gunn
6:30 PM	The Party Trees	Welcome all the Hungry of M-E to dinner.
7:30 PM		Nightly Shenanagions
9:00 PM	Dancing Pony	ALEP After Hours opens
2:00 AM		Closes for the night.

### Sunday: October 1, 2017

7:30-10am	Trustees Building	Breakfast: Check your seating times
ТВА	Trading Post	Opens for last minute purchases WHILE vendors are packing up.
11:00 AM		<b>Bard Shop Quartet</b> by Kathleen Dallin Improvisational harmonies: how to make stuff up as you go along when you do't have the music but want to sing anyway. Everone will be given the words and the melody. What you do with it is up to you.
3:00 PM	The Trading Post CLOSES	All items should be packed and out the door.

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