Specularum City Book Design Notes

Ward Name: Old Quarter

Motto: "Light in darkness"

Colours: Yellow and black

Device: Device: Or three bendlets Sable between two doves Argent.

Originally, the Old Quarter had "Or a bend Sable", but was demoted to two bendlets after the Thyatian conquest. One

bendlet was then added by Duke Stefan after pacifying the area in 970 AC. The doves were added after St. Kruskiev's monastery was

build (which may be before or after the other events).

Patron:

St. Kruskiev

Prior: Captain:

Overview: This is what the Nest was about thirty years ago [i.e. cAC970] It

has the same narrow streets and same tight-packed humanity, but crime, while frequent, is not quite as prevalent as the Nest. The population here, again, is mostly Traladaran. [GAZ1/K:KoA]

The Old Quarter is a varied district, featuring both relatively well to do areas (near Bricktop and the Great Church of Traladara) and more lower class parts (near the Street of Dreams and the

Nest). [agathokles]

Demographics: Population: c12,800 in 59 blocks

History: The Old Quarter represents the original heart of oldMarilenev. Its

roots lie in the original village that expanded over three centuries becoming an established walled town by BC1100. The urban area continued to grow through succeeding centuries merging with other parts of the settlement. By the time of the Thyatian occupation of AC900 the district is a microcosm of Traladaran heritage and culture, home to both legal and illegal activities as

well as being the town's spiritual centre.

However, in the wake of the Thyatians takeover and rebuilding of the Church District, the influx of impoverished Traladarans from there and other areas led to the degradation of the east side of the Old Quarter into crime and slums – "a nest of thieves and undesirables" as described by a city official during this time. Its status was reinforced after the arrival of Stefan Karameikos as Traladaran rebels secreted themselves in "The Nest" and distinct boundaries developed between it and its neighbouring western

blocks.

Monuments &

District Administration Office,

Public Buildings: District Revenue Office District Court House

Churches &

5 churches

Temples: Great Church of Traladara

St Kruskiev Mobastery Temple of Chardestes

+ 2 other temples (1 = Cult of Halav?)

Inns & Taverns:

7 Inns + adjacent stables

The Graceful Swan
The Bawd and Minister
Dimensions Doors Inn
The Splintered Diamond Inn

The Duke's League Inn The Prior's Scroll Inn The Dancing Medusa Inn

Several Taverns including Wizard's Gizzard Tavern Rusty Wand Tavern

The Wassailing Wolf Tavern

Dancing Ogre Tavern

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+ other stables/liveries

Buildings:

Old Quarter: colorful old Traladaran quarter, with almost no Thyatian presence and few New Karameikans. The CoT and CoH are the dominant factions here.

Buildings identified:

- O1 Street Dreamers Gang
- O2 St. Kruskiev Monastery
- O3 Great Church of Traladara
- O4 Residence of the CoT Patriarch
- O5 The Graceful Swan
- O6 Open Door
- O7 Grocers Guildhall
- O8 Leathersellers Guildhall Statue of Ban Bogdan
- O9 Ivanovich (new)
- O10 Mages' Pages (new)
- O11 The Scarlet Wizards (new)
- O12 Wizard's Gizzard Tavern
- O13 The Bawd and Minister
- O14 Temple Chardastes inc Library
- O15 Rusty Wand Tavern
- O16 District Admin Office
- O17 District Revenue Office

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| O18 | District Court House |
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| O19 | Temple/shrine |
| O20 | Temple/shrine |
| O21 | Elk Horn Boarding House |
| O22 | Boarding House x 4 |
| O23 | Granary x 2 |
| O24 | School |
| O25 | The Wassailing Wolf Tavern |
| O26 | Dimensions Doors Inn |
| O27 | Dancing Ogre Tavern |
| O28 | "Fishbowl" brothel |
| O29 | Warehouses x 8 |
| O30 | The Splintered Diamond Inn |
| O31 | The Duke's League Inn |
| O32 | The Prior's Scroll Inn |
| O33 | The Dancing Medusa Inn |
| O34 | Tavern x several |

Notable Residents:

[from agathokles' master NPC list

| Chebychov |
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| Marianov |
| Nikelnevitch |
| Strolojca |
| Svjetlov |

Nicklaus Monk of St. Kruskiev
Rodoz Secretary to the Patriarch
Alexyiev Patriarch of Marilenev
Barris Librarian
Ivan Priest
Svetlana Assistant to Rodoz Marianov
Mathilda Matron of the

Matron of the "Salon"/Fishbarrel Independent

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Law Enforcement & Crime: Nearest Company of the Street Regiment of the City Guard is stationed at a guardhouse near the Grand Market/Merchant District/Old Quarter juncrtion, and provides patrol of this area.

See AllanP's article at the Vauts -

http://www.pandius.com/speccgrd.html

Other Notes: