The Order of the Cardboard Knights

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Rochester Institute of Technology
We the Once and Future Knights

Gather ‘round and hear!
Hark the angels; listen clear!
I must tell you of the story –
Those knights and all their glory.
Gathered in steel were they?
So riveting and strong?
No says the King; Nay!
Not the knights of my song!

They of fire water wind and earth,
Of time, sun, moon and mind.
They are the heroes of my birth.
They are the legends of mankind.

So Come all ye villains,
And come all ye monsters:
For gold are their convictions
And cardboard, their armors.
Mission Statement

We the Order of The Cardboard Knights seek to promote healthy and fun lifestyles through environmental awareness and stress relieving activities. As a club based around sustainability, crafting, and comedy, we gather recyclables such as paper products, cans, and bottles, and repurpose those items by crafting armor and trinkets. Additionally, every semester we will hold various events centered around LARPing, crafting, and community restoration. In our weekly meetings and club events, we seek to support students in their college endeavors by promoting healthy living practices. In summary, ours is the spirit of Don Quixote – to leave this place better than we had found it.

Activities

Club meetings will be casual in nature, centering around sharing embellishments, crafting, and working on club projects. Occasionally, we may galivant around campus, which may include a “feast at Gracie’s”

When time demands, the meeting of the week will be deferred to a hosted event or planned project.

Events

Jolly Good Rumbles:

These are regulated events that are open to the public wherein students will be encouraged to make their own cardboard armour. These events come at the cost of a small fee (based on the club’s financial standings), or the donation of non-perishable items (donated to Food-Share). Among them are:

Find the Fire Maiden

Somewhere on campus lies the Fire Maiden of Durendal! We must find and rescue her from the mysterious of the dragon-clan, whose goal it is to steal the cardboard key from her very hands.

Rescue her, so that she may unlock the royal chest for our heroes!
Battle of the Painted Rock

Let us decide who among us is the greatest warrior knight. Gather ye arms and amour and join us on Greek lawn, wherein we shall have ourselves a jolly-good rumble; a free for all battle whose winner is the last one standing.

Art thou stronger at construction than constitution? Then worry not! For the battle of Painted Rock shall have two victors; a Warrior-knight, whose valour is shown in battle, and a Dapper knight, whose skill is proven in fashion contest!

Capture the Crest

Strange crests have fallen from the sky! What do they mean? What power do they hold? Earlier this day, a secret contingent of knights rode out and collected the mysterious symbols, only to cause a wild explosion; from which the crests were thrown on opposite sides of the shire.

One faction of knights wish to study the crests to unlock their mysteries, while the other faction desires their destruction, so that the chaotic power of the crests may not be used to challenge the peace of the shire.

Whatever your belief, gather the two symbols and fulfil your mission.
Ride on, my knights! Let strategy and strength decide the fate of this day!

Particular Quests:

Following the spirit of the Jolly Good Rumbles, but are exclusive to members. While mostly spontaneous, one example is:

Vanquish Thy Water-Poultry

Knights of the Order must figure a way to defeat a person in a turkey costume wielding a supersoaker (Knight-kryptonite). Set in the field between Gosnell and global, it will be out for all to see.

Slaying the Stressnomancer:

Finals week is hard on students, and all along the quarter mile Greek-Life and other clubs try to relieve some of the stress from the student body through various booths. We too will do the same by putting a face to finals week (The Stressnomancer) as we encourage students to let off a little steam through various small activities.
Projects

Among the crucial facets of the Order of the Cardboard Knights are the club projects we hope to execute. Among them are:

Swings Around Campus:
Wouldn’t it be nice to have swings around campus in the spring and fall? All around campus there are good, sturdy trees that would allow just that. As a club, the Order would see to the introduction and care of several rope-and-plank swings around campus.

The Creation of RIT Lore (“Rore”):
While graffiti is not something we can remove from RIT completely, we do have control over how we perceive it. As such, the order is going to create lore for RIT using various common symbols found on campus:

- Prairie Dogs
- Red Stegosaurus
- Blue Pineapple
- Unicorns
- 4π

And of course, we plan to incorporate the monuments of RIT as well, such as the Sentinel (First Cardboard knight & Packaging science major) or even the whispering wall.
To keep track of this lore as well as good puns and riddles, we plan to publish a semesterly book.

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“We ride our steeds to do noble deeds.”
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