



Devonshire: The Vision for Schulmericho, Revisited

By now, we have all heard the grand plans for Schulmericho, destined to be the largest city in the world.



The official map, showing the massive area proposed for Schulmericho. The land area is somewhat larger than Gran Maru, but the planned density of the core area is higher.

This town would feature the first bridges in Schulmania and dwarf all other cities in the nation.



A truly grand city worthy of the Supreme Wirdle was planned.



A sample of what has been envisioned.

But, we all know what happened when the colonists set sail for the Promised Land...





Lost, marooned on rocky islets far from home and with no chance of rescue, the survivors face certain death. At home, Schulminions find no trace of the fleet and mourn their loss.



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Full Coverage of Schulmericho Memorials

SPECIAL EDITION - 5 Purrs

Governor Cawale Leads Mourning

Services held at New Memorial Church

ATKINOS – This morning, Atkinos District Governor Cawale, accompanied by an entourage from the district Bureau of Feline Affairs office inaugurated the new Atkinos Memorial Church, dedicated to the memory of the two thousand who disappeared on their journey to Schulmericho after having departed from Atkinos harbor. A procession of nearly three-quarters of the town's residents followed the officials and participated in the service. The procession began at the Esplanade and continued to the harbor, then south and east to Memorial Drive. During the two and one half hour service, several speeches were made. Governor Cawale's stirring speech exhorted the crowd to honor the memory of those lost by leading lives of distinction and valor, helping to build a greater nation, just as the colonists had planned. Bishop Hamby led a delegation from Temple Terrace. The ninety priests provided comfort and a visible reminder of support. Another seventy three came from Babalonia. Bishop Hamby's sermon focused on the outpouring of support received from across the nation. Though those lost were not primarily from Atkinos town, many were from the district. And, Atkinos is the departure point for the expedition. The town feels a deeper grief, he said

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Governor Cawale, BFA Commissioner Excalibur, and Bishop Hamby led services and dedicated the memorial church

Supreme Wurdle Mourns

Offers Prayers at Shrine

SACRED PRECINCT – The Supreme Wurdle was unable to attend the dedication of the Memorial Church in Atkinos town. She did visit the Sacred Precinct to pray at every temple and shrine. After visiting the Sailors Shrine, she offered her personal condolences to many grieving family members who had gathered there. Despite the lack of results, she assured all that rescue and recovery efforts would continue for at least two more weeks. Afterwards, she remained at the Shrine of the Supreme Wurdle for over 3 hours, comforting worshippers with petting sessions and gentle purring. Her kind reassurances have been a balm for the bereaved people she encountered. She stated at the shrine her intention to visit every town in the realm to offer her support and purrs to every citizen. Her press secretary, Pat Uwee, noted that details are not yet worked out for the Royal Tour.



Supreme Wurdle at the Sailors Shrine, Sacred Precinct

Memorial Gardens Opened

ATKINOS – Concurrent with the dedication of the Atkinos Memorial Church, dignitaries also opened the Memorial Gardens. The church sits in the center of the gardens, atop a high cliff overlooking the World Ocean in a position offering a vista of the route taken by the ill-fated expedition. The gardens will feature flowers running from Atkinos Triangle to the cliff's edge as well as play areas for children, fountains, and contemplation areas.



Ocean overlook, featuring fountain and contemplation area. Plantings done by Atkinos Garden Club

Search Effort Update

No news is bad news

ON THE WORLD OCEAN – Admiral Hestorb reports no progress in the search and recovery operation in the last 48 hours. No sign has been found of the missing colonists or their ships. Nearly all of the ocean between Atkinos and Devonshire has been searched. Hope is fading, but Hestorb remains optimistic. She stated "Miracles do happen. Let's hope one happened for these poor people."

Memorial Church Dedicated

Island Formal Church is Town's Newest

ATKINOS – Perched high on a hill overlooking the World Ocean, Atkinos Memorial Church was dedicated today in a series of ceremonies before a crowd of thousands. The structure, designed by renowned architect Frank Left Wright, complements the Island and Island Formal style buildings which dominate the Atkinos landscape. Surrounded by elaborate flower gardens, the church is the focal point of the Schulmericho Expedition Memorial. Funds to build the church were raised by the town council of Atkinos, starting pint for the ill-fated expedition. A matching grant, totaling 8,500 schulmonetas, was donated by Medusa Gorgon-Zola, the proprietress of Chicken King, a restaurant which opened on Memorial Drive during the construction phase of the church. As part of the development plan for this area, the northern end of Memorial Drive includes two residential neighborhoods. These Island Style homes will blend well with the new church, and were also designed by Wright's Firm; Left, Left, Left, Wright & Left of Gran Maru. The homes will be marketed by Yellow Hat Realty of Greater Devonshire.



Atkinos Memorial Church, in Memorial Gardens, shown above and below (left and right)



Left to determine the future of the Schulmericho site, several options present themselves.

OPTION 1: Abandon the colony site and leave it as a silent memorial to those lost.

OPTION 2: Develop the city as planned, as if nothing ever happened.

OPTION 3: Relocate the city.

OPTION 4: Halt colonization until stronger ships are designed and built.

The Supreme Wirdle chose Option 2. The Schulmericho site has been extensively terraformed and is ready for use. She thinks it would be best to use the site and incorporate a memorial of some sort within the town. As she prepares to sign the order to round up a new fleet of ships, a commotion can be heard in the hall outside. As she prepares to dip her claw in the inkwell to sign the order, the door bursts open and a man, running in slow motion, shouting “NOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOO!!!” at the top of his lungs lunges forward.

Startled, the Supreme Wirdle retracts her claw and prepares to arch her back and hiss at the intruder. Then, she realizes it is her trusted confidante, W. P. Spittafoane. He said, “STOP! Don’t send people back there! I had a vision! A terrible vision! There is danger – danger coming from the east!”

She looks at him, thinks for a moment, then asks him to describe what he saw.

He started “The storm... it came from the east... but I had a vision of something even worse! Terrible creatures full of evil! They live in the east! They will come to Schulmericho! We must not go back there!”

She had him pet her until he could calm down. He said “I saw them! They came to me in a dream. They came from the east and killed everyone. They want to destroy Schulmania! We have to stop them! We have to! We can’t go back there! They’re coming!” He then broke down in massive sobbing.

The two of them talked for some time. In the end, they agreed that it would be alright to return to Schulmericho. But, precautions would be needed. Precautions against

