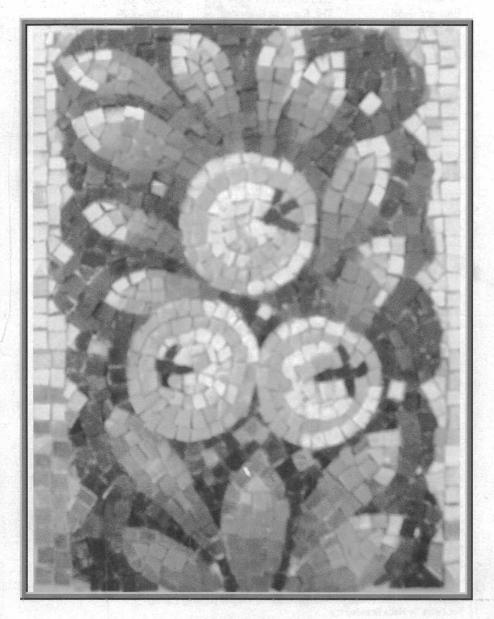
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A Few Words from the Baron and Baroness

The sweet smell of spring is in the air. Already, the trees begin to bud and the birds are singing their praise to Demeter. The powerful mages have yet again altered the hourglasses so that we have more sunlight in the evening. (How we frown upon witchcraft!!) Soon, our fine fighters and archers will be out-of-doors practicing their fine arts. With spring Coronation and the Loch Salann Baronial Defenders Tournament complete, the Artemisian tournament season is now in full swing. Our enormous thanks to Dame Thea and Lord Marius for the most excellent planning and conduct of each of their respective events.

There will be little time for rest for us over the next months. We plan on traveling to the fine Province of Arrow's Flight for Mystery Event, Crown Tournament in the Barony of One Thousand Eyes, and, of course, we will be attending (and teaching) at Kingdom Collegium. Please join us if you can.

Many may not be aware of this, but the Baronial coffers are filled to overflowing. This is a credit to the gentles of the Barony and to the Kingdom in general. As such, with the approval of the Baronial Officers and Counselors, we have decided to offer this year's Melee Madness as a gift to the Kingdom. There will be no site fee, no non-member fee and no feast fee. Come and frolic, fight, shoot, learn and teach as our guests.

A small reminder to our populace: If you see an individual who you feel is deserving of our Courtly Favor, please let one of us know. We try to see as much as we can. And, we have spies and denizens on the constant lookout. But even all of us are unable to see everything and be everywhere. Let none who do great deeds and offer great service be ignored.

Wishing you and your families good health and good fortune,

Ryryd Baron



Anna Baroness

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Greetings From the Seneschal:

Unto the Populace of the ancient and glorious Barony of Loch Salann here are the words of your Seneschal, Greetings.

It was a bright, warm spring day as our consorts strolled along the edge of the Great Salton Sea. Everyone was enjoying the respite from winter's cold grasp as the sun played across the white-capped waves of blue. Without warning the serenity of the moment was destroyed as the daemon decapod raised its ugly head from the depths of the sea. As the beast thrashed about in the water the three brave defenders determined to put an end to this annual threat once and for all. Enlisting the aid of their consorts the beast was lured from the water by the beauty and grace of the ladies. The first to strike was the archer, flinging twigs rapidly as the beast approached the trio. Many of the arrows bounced off of his hardened shell as he continued onward. Finally an arrow took the left eye of the beast, but instead of stopping it the wound only enraged the daemon and he redoubled his efforts to reach the defenders and their consorts. The heavy fighter and duelist advanced on the beast and began to hack and poke at the beast in a heroic effort to take his life and end the threat to our lands. One limb after another was hacked away and the beast began to weaken until ultimultly the head was nearly severed from the body. The defenders noticed something truing to crawl from within the beast and amazingly. Lance, who had been devoured a short time before, popped out of the creature and struggled to freedom. Sorely wounded, the daemon decaped slithered back into the water and disappeared, hopefully never to return and threaten these lands again. Many thanks are due the Defenders of the Barony of Loch Salann for once again securing the safety of the Barony.

As you can see from above the Defenders Tournament was a huge success. All of the Baronial Champions were determined, including for the first time at this event, the Archery Champion. Congratulations of all who participated in these competitions and helped to make this a wonderful day for all those in attendance. Not only were we honored with the presence of Their Majesties, Justin fought his prize and we were also treated to a delicious feast to finish off the day.

The week before the above event, we had the honor of hosting the Coronation of Their Royal Majesties, Michael and Sati. Once again we were gifted with beautiful weather which allowed for tremendous rounds of fighting in both the King's and Queen's Championship Tourneys as well as the contest for the Defender of the Sable Rose. To no ones surprise the feast consisted of many removes all of which had meat, at His Majesties request, prepared by members of the Champion Siege Cooking Team from the Estrella War Competition. Once again many thanks to all those who labored so long and hard to make this event a success.

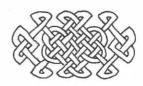
In just a short few days it will be time for the Combined Collegium, this year to be held at the Davis County Event Center and autocrated by our own Duke Sir Sean Tarragon. He has arranged for a noted duelist and a local anthropologist to present a series of special classes to augment those being taught by our local instructors. Please refer to the event webpage located on the Barony of Gryphon's Lair website for details of the event, along with course listings and directions to the site.

Following along in June will be Melee Madness, which is again to be held at the Castle in Provo, one of the favorite sites for melee battles and a lovely place to camp. This year in addition to all of the fighting scenarios and archery contest, it is my understanding that the event will be the occasion for a wedding to take place on Saturday before feast. Due to the overwhelming support and unanticipated, but much appreciated, attendance at our last two events, the Barony of Loch Salann is happy to announce a gift to the populace by eliminating the site fee for Melee Madness. That's right Melee Madness will be a free event this year in an effort to show our gratitude for the outstanding support the populace has given the Barony over the most recent past. Please join us again on June 6th for another great event. Limited crash space is available for our out of town guests by contacting our own Baron Ryryd ap Gwerstan. Also, I have been hearing rumors that there may be a Barons' War for our summer camping event which should provide a lot of interest and excitement as the time draws near.

Yours in Service to the Barony of Loch Salann,

Bjorn Hrafnsen

Conoschal



Your Barony NEEDS YOU!!!

The Following Offices are Still Vacant!!!

Youth Officer
Youth Combat Officer

The Following Officers still Need Deputies!!!

Deputy Seneschal
Deputy Exchequer
Deputy Rapier Marshal
Deputy Chronicler
Deputy Youth Officer
Deputy Sheriff
Deputy Chirugeon

Please consider volunteering your service. It is a very rewarding feeling to know you are helping to make this barony the best place it can possibly be. Without volunteers our wonderful Society would not exist! And don't be intimidated; you may be more qualified for an office than you give yourself credit. And volunteering as a deputy is a great way to try out a job without being overwhelmed by the full responsibility. Submit your letter of intent today!



Greetings from the MoAS:

Our A & S Night held on March 20th was an instructive and entertaining evening. Lady Ashe'el showed us many examples of hats which she has researched and constructed in several styles. After the construction demonstration, the discussion led to costume design and appropriate headgear for different periods and countries of origin. The many books were perused by the participants and advice was given to two new members about their choice of persona and costume. I hope they went away with many practical ideas to implement. There were 9 ladies interested in the presentation and 4 men who were working on thrown weapon construction and playing cribbage.

The next meeting, April 17th, will be again at the home of Mistress Leah. Her address is 2359 Cavalier Drive, which is 7305 South. The easiest way for me to get there is from 2300 East. Lady Eva, now of the Province of Arrow's Flight, will be showing us how to make frogs for garb closure. We all would like to have them in colors other than black or white and this is a chance to make them to put on existing or new projects. Lady Allegretza will be bringing Eva to the meeting and we hope there will be several other gentles of the PAF who come along. You really don't want to miss this! Everyone loves to see projects on which others are working and get tips, so bring any works in progress along, also, as well as a drink and maybe a treat to share.

The third Bardic was held by Lady Amanda de Spencer on the first Sunday evening of the month, March 1, about 7 p.m., and was held at the home of her parents, 2359 Cavalier Drive, which is detailed above. The next Bardic is planned to be held at the home of Amanda and AElwyn. The address is 901 East 10600 South in Sandy. Sunday was chosen so that everyone would have an opportunity to participate, as there are no other guilds or practices scheduled for that day of the week. Our summer events will include several bardics, so this is an opportunity to learn some of the customs and practices that were used in the early years of our Barony. Those of you who attended Defender's Tourney had a chance to hear these musicians and participate in their impromptu bardic that afternoon.





Our big event this month was the competition for the Baronial Arts and Sciences Champion for the next year. Maybe because of the minimum requirement of entries, we had only one person who entered three Grand Categories. Sir Robert de Spencer entered a chip carved music stand, which was beautifully worked. It was his first chip carving and was flawless, but wasn't entered into the competition because it was a single item and he had yet to do the documentation for the piece. Bjorn Hrafnsen Ohnstad entered a cribbage board of oak, purpleheart, and basswood, which was chip carved for the decoration. The documentation was extensive and thorough. The second entry was the 16th century Navigational Backstaff, a measuring device which took second place in the Estrella competition this year, so it was very well done and documented. This entry, by the way, was awarded the Populace Choice for the day. The third entry was a Metheglin (Spiced Mead) which was enjoyed by many through the afternoon. The chefs of our wonderful feast especially enjoyed the beverage, which had a lightly spiced smoothness. The judges scoring (Thank you so much judges) was very detailed and it was clear that although there was only one competitor, these entries would have been hard to beat as a body of work.

Each week at Fighter Practice, there is an informal A & S circle with answers and inspiration to share. Please join. His Lordship James of Penmore shares his period games. Feel free to ask about anything you see and maybe you will start a new project yourself. We will soon be moving outside for practice.

Sir Raven and Lady Sajah held a Scribal workshop at their home February 28th, as well, to prepare scrolls and teach those interested. Mistress Bethany sent the following:

"I wanted to thank all the wonderful scribes that showed up and helped at this last Saturday's Scribal Day at Bianca's (and of COURSE those who were helping in Loch Salann, Arrow's Flight and Arn Hold as well!).

Your work, talent and dedication to the arts of the Kingdom are amazing and very much appreciated, not only by me, but most of all by those who will be receiving the beautiful scrolls that were created.

I was humbled to see how fast the large list of scrolls needing scribes dwindled down to nothing."

The Needleworkers' Guild meets the 1st Tuesday of each month. Please contact Lady Aurora de Portugal or THL Bethoc for more information. We have some plans in the works.



The Cooks' Guild meets on the 4th Tuesday of the month. This month that was the 24th. Next month it will be April 28th. Contact Mistress Casamira for the location and any other details. Our cooks are known through the Kingdom for their wonders. We are so lucky and well-fed. This month we met on Tuesday, 3/24 and shared an Irish based meal. It was a relaxing evening of eating and sharing.

The Loch Salann Musician's Guild provides wonderful music for our events. They research instruments and music used in the Middle Ages. Meetings are conducted Thursdays from 7:15 to 9:00 p.m. Please contact Mistress Anne (466-7300) for the location of the meeting and any additional information. Their music at Coronation and Defenders added so much to the proceedings. Thank you.

The Brewers Guild meeting was held at the home of Lord Finlay Friday night, March 17th. The Baron and Baroness were in attendance with other gentles to discuss plans for the upcoming year and to ask questions of his Lord Finlay's mentor, Karl, who was kind enough to share his wealth of knowledge.

Lord Aeylwin de Spencer has offered to teach Ceramics to interest gentles at the Mount Jordan Middle School on weekday afternoons from 3 to 5 p.m. Please contact him ahead of time to schedule a specific date. albertwise@hotmail.com or 801-520-5482. If you saw his bowls at Solstice Court, you will want him to teach you!

As I endeavor to serve you, please let me know of any other guilds or groups holding meetings. Also, if you have talents to share, please let me know as we set up the programs for the New Year. I am relying on each of you to support, assist, and inspire me. What would you like to learn?

Yours in Service,

Lady Jennet Moir de Brechin janet@altamistalpacas.com 435-882-0790 (before 9 p.m.)













Southern Regional Combined Collegium

As the winter snows begin to thaw throughout these laurel lands, it is time for the denizens of our great Kingdom to consider pursuing endeavors of higher learning. The citizens of Artemisia and the Known Worlde are invited to come and learn new skills, new trades, and new arts—and to share what you know with others—at a combined Southern Regional Collegium to be held April 11, 2009.

The Barony of Loch Salann, the Barony of Gryphon's Lair, the Province of Arrows' Flight and the Shire of Cote du Ciel are pleased to be jointly hosting this event. A full complement of classes is planned for a great variety of subjects related to the arts and sciences. Additionally an extensive schedule of classes will be available for heavy weapons and duelist combat, archery instruction and classes intended for the youth of our Kingdom also will be available.

A simple lunch consisting of sandwiches and a variety of salads will be available. Lunch will be included in your site fee, and is being prepared by the amazing Lady Flora and Lord Ahgren. Donations of salads, desserts and other items will be gladly accepted. Please contact the lunch stewards, if you wish to make a contribution.

Classes will begin at 10:00 am with the last class starting at 5:00 pm. To maximize the amount of instruction available, class will run concurrently with the lunch service. Lunch will be available from 12:00-2:00 pm.

The site for this Combined Collegium is the Davis County Events Center (formerly Davis County Fairgrounds) 151 S 1100 West, in Farmington, UT. This is a DRY site. Site opens at 9:00 am and closes at 8:00 pm. As this is a day full of classes, no dinner break or feast has been planned.



Directions: From the North: Follow the King's Highway(I-15) to exit 325. Take a right on Park Lane and follow the road approximately 1 mile. The road will become 1100 West. The site will be on the left. From the South: Follow the King's Highway(I-15) to Exit 324. Take a Left on Park Lane and follow the road approximately 1.5 miles. The road will become 1100 West. The site will be on the left.

Site fee: \$10 for adult members; \$5 for youth ages 5-15. People aged 4 and under are guests of the hosts. The family cap will be \$30. There will be a \$3 surcharge per person for non-members. Make checks payable to Barony of Loch Salann, SCA Inc.

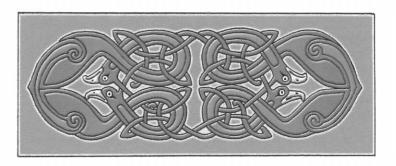
Event Stewards:

Duke Sir Sean Kirkpatrick Tarragon (Sean Oppenheimer), Event Steward sean oppenheimer@hotmail.com, 801-966-7955

Baron Sir Thorvald Ulfheathnar (Richard McCarter), Fighting/Archery Track Steward, thorvaldbadaxe@hotmail.com, 801-726-0155

Dame Ellisif Sleggja (Jeanne Foreman), Arts and Sciences Track Steward dameellisif@gmail.com, 801-221-8247

Lady Flora of Herenton (Jenn Rhoades), Lunch Steward, lady flora@msn.com, 801-732-0390



APRIL 2009

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | • | 1 Fighter Practice 7 PM | Archery Practice Musicians' Guild | 3 | Crown Tourney 1000 Eyes |
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| 5 Holdtyte Bardic 7 PM | 6 | 7 Needle Workers' Guild | Fighter Practice 7 PM | 9 Archery Practice Musicians' Guild | 10 | A&S Collegium Combined Loch Salann Gryphon's Lair Arrows' Flight Cote du Ciel |
| 12 | 13 | 14 | Fighter Practice 7 PM | 16 Archery Practice Musicians' Guild | 17 A&S Night 7 PM | Spring Thaw Defender Tourney & Mercenary Fair Twae Linnes |
| 19 | 20 | 21 Forum 7 PM | Fighter Practice 7 PM | Archery Practice Musicians' Guild | 24 | Feast of St. Pyre Cote du Ceil |
| 26 | 27 | 28 Cooks' Guild | Fighter Practice 7 PM | 30 Archery Practice Musicians' Guild | May Events: 2 – Kingdom A&S Sentinel's Keep 8 – Middle East War Arrows' Flight 22 – Quest Gryphon's Lair | June Events: 5 – Melee Madness Loch Salann 17 – Uprising 1000 Eyes 26 – Dragonsmarch (unnamed event) |



As the weather warms and the snows melt in the valleys, it's time to find gainful employment doing what we do best – making WAR! Some of us need to find new sponsors, friends, and mercenary companies to join. The Shire of Twae Linnes is sponsoring a mercenary fair, so that existing mercenary companies can show their skills, and find a sponsor, and so that individual fighters can find a company to fight with!

The Shire Defender Tourney will be held Saturday afternoon. It is open to any hard suit fighter, but only a member of the Shire of Twae Linnes may become the Shire Champion.

Scenario:

Each mercenary company shall consist of 5 members, an Equestrian, an Archer, a Light Infantryman (Rapier Fighter), a Heavy Infantryman (Hardsuit Fighter), and an A&S Member. (A&S member can be pulling double duty). Armies don't run on fighting alone, they must have weapons, mounts, morale boosters etc. A&S entry can be anything you can creatively attach to a mercenary company, i.e. mead for morale, jewelry to carry your wealth around with you easily, etc.

Complete companies registering w/ autocrat (entering list) before the event will receive a bonus gold coin. Partially formed companies pre-registering will receive a silver coin. Companies forming at the event do not get a bonus. Each company will receive a purse of coins at the beginning of competition, as will each person at the troll booth. The object is for your company to accumulate as much wealth as possible, and more than any other company, by the end of the competition! Think MERCENARY!

Site will open at 8AM, anyone needing to "hire" for their company will have until 10AM to do so, and to enter the list. At 10AM we will go over the rules of engagement and begin our competition. A&S entry will be placed on display for judging – both by the populace, and by our judges. The populace will deposit a copper coin in the box by their favorite entry. A&S judges will score each entry and choose winners for reward.

At the beginning of the competition, each army will have 2 minutes to introduce themselves to the Court, and potential sponsors, and then stand aside. After introductions, and as fighting commences, the Reeve will "auction" the services of each company, so bring your money pouches and checkbooks! The winning sponsor will receive an equal portion of the spoils captured by their army! Monies received will be split evenly between the Shire, and Kingdom as a fundraiser....

"Spoils" will include:

Bragging Rights! Short capes, made by the populace of Twae Linnes. Meade donated by m'Lord Bruce, and Goblets.

Fighting scenarios will run consecutively, with double elimination tournaments. Archery and Equestrian events will be based on "points" with the highest scores receiving the most points, and "loot". In case of inclement weather preventing us from trailering our horses, WE WILL RIDE STICK PONIES INDOORS!!! At the beginning of each competition the team member entering the list will "ante up" a coin from the company pouch. These monies will be paid to the winning team members — 1st — 3rd place.

During feast each company will be given a chance to recount their deeds, recite a poem, sing a song or ?? for the populace, who will again reward their favorite with coin, as will the Head table (court/peers).

The winning company will be the one with the most money at the end of the competition.

Dancing after feast??

For those Equestrians wishing to stay overnight, we have the arena Sunday also, for practice, and IKEC Tournament. There will be 4 or 5 RV hookups available AFTER COMPETITION ENDS at no charge. Horse pens are available for \$5.00/night to include ½ bag of shavings, provided we rake them out into the aisle when we leave. Pens are small – 12x12.

Site: Gooding County Fairgrounds. 201 Lucy Lane, Gooding, ID. The site is discretely wet, period containers preferred.

Site Fee: \$7.00 members, \$3.00 non-member fee.

Feast Fee: \$8.00 Adults, \$4.00 Children under 12, Children 5 and under are free. Makes checks payable to Shire of Twae Linnes. Mail to: S. Palmer, PO Box 936, Kimberly, ID 83341.

Directions: Take I-84 to the Wendell/Gooding off-ramp #157. Proceed North to Gooding, going through town until you cross the railroad tracks. Turn left into the fairgrounds, and look for designated parking.

Horse pens or RV space reservations contact Lady Ceridwyn @ ceridwynmct@juno.com

Yes, I'm copying Arn Hold's BLA with a little tweaking. Thank you Yaas for the inspiration!

Event Steward:

Lady Ceridwyn ferch Tomias (Carrie Bates) 305 Golf Course Rd., Jerome, ID 83338 208-944-0646

Feast Steward:

Satung Frey Gunnuld (Bruce Beach) 305 Golf Course Rd., Jerome, ID 83338 208-944-0646



Loch Salann Melee Madness

Provo, Utah

The Ramp of Despair awaits! The Staircase of Doom is laughing behind your back! Come help us celebrate a Quarter-Century (plus two) of Loch Salann's Melee Madness on June 6th & 7th 2009, at its incredibly ancient and honorable site at the castle in back of the Utah State Hospital in Provo, Utah. Opening announcements are tentatively planned for 10:00 am on Sat. (or whenever the event steward thinks that enough fighters have shown up. There will be the second ever Loch Salann Arrow (an elite archery shoot) and on Sunday morning, there will be the traditional pas d' armes, hosted by House Calwing and open to all fighters; see the event steward for details, and bring your nicest banners and fighting clothes.

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Yes, the rumors are true! A challenge has been placed to all armored fighters! If we can have, pre-confirmed, at least 50 armored fighters on the field, giving Sir Michael the chance to finally do an all-out castle siege, there will be MEAT!! At least 50 knuckle-scraping, testosterone-oozing stick swingers, and Lord Sieg will break out the dutch ovens, slaughter the herd, and there will be ribs, ribs and MORE RIBS!! Make the dream come true! Bring your friends! Confirmation e-mails can be sent to Lord Sieg (captainblondie! @ahoo.com) or let the event steward know, and we will keep a running tab. Lord Sieg will also start a topic on artemisiamilitaris.org.

If you've ever wanted to run/sponsor an activity/contest or teach a class (fighting or non-fighting), this is the place to do it; just clear it with the event steward and appropriate coordinator; a medieval wedding has already been planned for late Saturday afternoon. While the site will officially OPEN by 8:00 am on Saturday, and CLOSE at 10:00 pm on Sunday, we will be allowed to set up tents Friday night after 5:30 pm; please contact the event steward beforehand. Even though this will be a 2-day activity, participants are encouraged to come early on Sat., and bring picnic lunches and sunshades/tents (although there are numerous shade trees).



This is a dry site! Because this is a state facility, anyone bringing alcoholic beverages onsite or found to be in an inebriated condition must be politely asked to leave immediately! Off-site merchants are only 4-6 minutes away, and while ground fires are not permitted, off-the-ground fire pits, hibachis and gas grills are. Pets are welcome if accompanied by responsible owners.

FLASH

To thank the populace for their years of devoted attendance to the many events the barony has successfully held, Their Excellencies Ryrrd and Anna, Their seneschal Lord Bjorn and the officers of the barony have decided that this event will be FREE, FREE, FREE!!! That's right, NO SITE FEE!! Bring your friends, bring your families and enjoy a wonderful day (or two) in the sun and green grass!

DIRECTIONS: Take I-15 to the Provo Center Street exit 267; drive east on Center St. (about 2 miles) and enter the hospital grounds. Continue east and turn left at the large planter in the road; follow the road around and up to the castle area (the "off limits" signs aren't meant for us).

EVENT STEWARD: Sir Michael the Lucky (Michael Huston), 801-645-5651, e-mail: sirmll@ol.com

FIGHTING COORDINATOR: Lord Bohun the Black (Adrian Kuhn), 801-856-3621, e-mail: Bowen_the_Black@ahoo.com

NON-FIGHTING ACTIVITIES COORDINATOR: Mistress Bengta Rolfsdotter (Karen Huston), 801-645-5650, e-mail: bengta I @ol.com



Quest of the Border Reavers

May 22-25

".....l curse thair heid and all the haris of the thair heid; I curse their face, thair een, thair mooth, thair neise, thair toung, thair crag, thair shoulderis, thair breist, thair hert, thair stomok, thair bak, thair wame, thair airmes, thair leggis, thair handis, thair feit, and everilk pairt of thair body, frac the top of thair heid tac the soill of thair feit, before and behind, within and withoot....."

Part of a curse placed on the Border Reivers by The Archbishop of Glasgow in 1525

Rarely have there been stronger feelings toward a group of people, and rarely such strong legends made.

Come celebrate the sixteenth century Border Reavers of England and Scotland and the Chivalry of the Battle of Pinkie Cleugh, At the Quest of the Border Reavers.

The site is Lava Hot Springs in Honeyville, UT

Directions: Take I-15 to exit 372. Go east on highway 240 for aprox 1 mile. Turn left/north onto 38/69, Travel for 1.7 miles. The site is on the left. Go right around the main building. The field is north of the springs.

 Site Fees: Adult Camping
\$12.00

 Child Camping (5-13)
\$5.00

 Adult Day
 ...\$8.00

 Child Day
 ...\$3.00

Family cap Camping \$34.00 Day \$22.00

The springs will be available at a discounted rate for paid Attendees. \$2.00 pool/\$5.00 slides

Autocrats: Don Aaron and Lady Elisabeth Carter (801)712-0867 (no calls after 9:00 pm please)



Congratulations to our wonderful Members of the Barony for the following Awards:

Coronation March 7, 2009:

Bjarki Hvitabjarnarson – Grant of Arms
Bohun the Black – Defender of the Citadel
Elfwyn the Dane – King's Councilor
Hildegardis filia Vulframni – Gryphon's Heart
Justin Bidel – Defender of the White Scarf
Odfa Liafwin – Golden Pillar & Gryphon's Heart
Sean Kirkpatrick Tarragon – King's Councilor
Theodora of Trebizond – Queen's Confidence
Tianna Ni Coimin – Duchy
Timmur Jochan – Duchy
Zafirah Tahreer bint al Riyah – Award of Arms

Defenders' Tourney March 14,2009:

Amanda de Spencer – Crystal Heart AElwyn de Spencer – White Duck Aaron Carter – Golden Reflection Bethoc du Cruford – Ermine and Quill Elizabeth Carter – Golden Reflection Hildegardis filia Vulframni – Fons Animae Theodora of Trebizond – Ermine and Quill

Cooks' Guild - March 2009

Held at the home of Lady Jennet Moir de Brechin, this month's menu highlighted Irish fare. Jennet had a pot of corned beef, cabbage, onion, carrot, and potatoes. She was given special permission to include them as they could have been used, although not widely. The rest of the menu followed more traditional and period fare. We had two kinds of meat pies, lamb and chicken/mushroom. There was a spinach and strawberry salad which followed a thick and delicious pea soup. The apple cake/pie topped with whipped cream, which ended the meal was voted the favorite by all those who tasted it.

Pea Soup

From Irish Traditional Cooking by Darina Allen, page 23

It is probable that peas existed in Ireland as early as the seventh and eighth centuries, as there is a reference to peas in the Brehon laws tract Bretha Déin Chécht. It is also evident that 'pea pottage' was widespread by 1700 and had replaced bread in the diet of the communities settled by the Anglo-Normans from the twelfth century onwards.

Peas were not only used in pottage and soup making, but ground pea meal was also used in breadmaking, in times of poor harvests when corn was scarce.

1 1/4 cups dried peas, soaked overnight or longer onion, carrot, piece of turnip and parsnip, herbs 2 tablespoons butter 5 cups water or stock ham bone or bacon rind 1 1/4 cups milk 3 tablespoons flour seasoning

Wash the peas before steeping (soaking overnight). Next day, prepare and chop the rest of the vegetables and fry in butter for 5 minutes. Add water (or stock) and peas and ham bone. Simmer until all are soft and remove the bone. Rub the soup through a sieve, add flour blended in the milk and boil for 5 minutes, stirring constantly. Season and serve.

Serves 6 - 8

Irish Apple Cake

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Apple cakes like this one are the traditional dessert in Ireland. The recipe varies from house to house and the individual techniques has been passed from mother to daughter in farmhouses all over the country for generations. It would originally have been baked in a bastible or pot beside an open fire and later in the oven or stove on tin or enamel plates. These are much better than ovenproof glass because the heat travels through and cooks the pastry base more readily—worth remembering, as a pie with a soggy base is not attractive! In Ireland all apple cakes are made with cooking apples.

2 cups flour
1/3 teaspoon baking powder
8 tablespoons butter
2/3 cup superfine granulated sugar
1 egg, free-range if possible, beaten
1/2 to 2/3 cup milk, approx.
1 to 2 cooking apples
2 or 3 cloves (optional)
beaten egg to glaze

Sieve the flour and baking powder into a bowl. Rub in the butter with your fingertips until it resembles the texture of breadcrumbs. Add 1/2 cup sugar, then make a well in the center and mix together with the beaten egg and enough milk to form a soft dough. Divide in two. Put one half on to a greased ovenproof plate (9 inches in diameter) and pat it out to cover. Peel, core and chop up the apples. Place them on the dough with the cloves, if used, and add the remaining sugar, depending on the sweetness of the apples. Roll out the remaining pastry and fit it on top. (This is easier said than done as this 'pastry' is very soft like scone dough. You may need to do a bit of patchwork if it breaks.) Press the sides together and cut a slit through the top crust. Brush with beaten egg wash and bake in a moderate oven at 350°F for about 40 minutes, or until cooked through and nicely browned. Dredge with superfine sugar and serve warm with dark brown sugar and softly whipped cream.

Serves 6 (approximately)

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Making a Byzantine Mosaic by Zafirah:

Materials: You will need white glue, colored paper, poster board, a pencil with eraser or paint brush, and a picture you would like to create (coloring books are a great place to start.)

First- you need draw a simple outline on the poster board of the picture you are trying to create.

Second- you will need to cut out squares from the colored paper in shades that match your picture. I would recommend not making pieces any smaller than your thumb or you will never get finished!

Third-pour the white glue into a cup (paper is good, then you can tear away the edges if it is too deep for little fingers to reach.)

Fourth- dip the paint brush or pencil eraser in the white glue and dab on the back of the colored paper square.

Fifth- place the colored square on the poster board where you want the color to be with the glue side down.

Keep at it until all the surface is covered with color paper squares. It is okay if the squares touch, but if you want a more medieval appearance you can use a dark poster paper for your back ground and place the squares a little bit apart so the background outlines your colors like in a stained glass window, or Byzantine Mosaic. When you are all finished get your parents to put it in a picture frame.

In period, artists would use stones and mortar (cement stuff) or they would use a special glass called smaltie. Mystress Carol of Stargate made the mosaic on the cover. If you want to learn more about Byzantine Mosaics, you should ask her. She is really nice and a very good teacher (she is lucky enough to teach art in her regular life!)

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