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Casamira's Corner

The Pun is Mightier Than the Sword!



My fiber group's very close-knit.
They accept me 'though I'm a misfit.

We make fiber all day,
While the puns I do say.

People think I'm a fool -- a knit-wit

- Dedicated to Baroness Jennet



By: Mistress Casamira Jawjalny, OL, OP, GA



Message from the Baron and Baroness

Unto the populace of the Ancient and Glorious Barony of Loch Salann, we do send greetings,

As old man Winter begins to loosen his grip upon our lands, we look forward to the lengthening days and our thoughts turn to warmer weather and more outdoor events. Even though our indoor celebrations provide an opportunity to enjoy each other's company in a more relaxed atmosphere, it is always a great time when we can meet outdoors and take advantage of the wider range of activities.

The Investiture of Their Excellency's of Gryphon's Lair at the Barony's Twelfth Night celebration was a beautiful occasion. Despite the chill weather the site was kept cozy. The elevation of our own Baronial Scribe, Bronwyn Morgan, the Embroiderer, to the Order of the Laurel was a highlight for us. Seeing her recognized for all the works she has contributed to the Dream over the years was wonderful.

This last month Her Excellency Jennet was offered the chance to attend the Andalusian Ball in the Barony of Arn Hold with Her Majesty. As always the hospitality afforded by the populace of the hosts was unmatched and the event was a great success. However, the journey home was a bit challenging, thanks to the ever changing weather.

In just a few days we will be celebrating the accomplishments of our populace and welcoming the new members to our Barony at the Annual Armigers and Newcomers Reception. We would like to thank TE Robert and Leah de Spencer for offering the use of their manor for this event. Everyone is welcome to attend and congratulate and/or welcome our honored guests. We hope many of you will take time out of your busy schedule to join us.

If you have not yet had the pleasure of talking with our newest Seneschal, please do so. HE Mac Con mac Rodain has taken on the responsibility of directing the business affairs of the Barony with the assistance of the officer corps. We would like to express our appreciation to Lord Takeyama Nakayoshi for his efforts as Seneschal over the last several months and look forward to his future involvement.

Although we will be unable to attend the Talon and Crescent Festival in our neighboring barony to the south, we are certain that those of you attending will represent us well and have a great time. Please give due consideration to the weather and travel safely so that we may enjoy your company upon your return.

Bjorn Hrafnsson and Jennet Moir de Brechin
Baron and Baroness of Loch-Salann



MINISTER OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Snow!! There isn't much else to say. Be warm, drive safe, and remember these two words... "hot chocolate."

January was pretty quiet in the Barony. We did travel to the Barony of Gryphon's Lair for the investiture of the new Baron and Baroness. Congratulations to HE Wilhelm and Bethany. Bronwyn the Embroider answered the call and was admitted into the Order of the Pelicans and the Knights of the Kingdom gathered for a roundtable discussion with the populace. They answered questions regarding the path of the Knight and took questions directly from the audience. I found it to be interesting and informative.

For January's Arts & Sciences night, Mistress Casamira showed her skill in making cordials. It was not only a great learning experience, but also a lot of fun. I am so grateful that we have so many wonderful people in the Barony who are so willing to share their skills and knowledge. Watch for upcoming Arts & Sciences meetings which will include felted wool slippers, glass work, beading, full size silk banners, and pewter casting.

With the hope of spring around the corner, our guilds are starting to blossom and the monthly meetings are resuming. Watch the Questing Quill, the Arts & Sciences Facebook page and the Loch Salann website for continued updates on meeting schedules. As always, if you have any questions, contact the Guild Leader or me. We are here to help.

Don't forget about the Baronial Arts & Sciences Competition at Defender's in March. Mistress Leah will

pass on the Championship Regalia to the new champion. We look forward to seeing your entries. Be sure to check out the rules for entry as the Arts & Sciences Baronial Champion. Also, we want anyone who wishes to enter into the Competition to do so, rather they are going for the Championship or not. Competitions are a great learning resource and the ideal place to start. All entries will be judged and critiqued and that information will afford valuable feedback for future entries. We look forward to a wonderful competition this year.

Thank you to the many wonderful people and talents in our Barony who share their time and talent.

Yours In Service,

- Winifred de Whitehorse

Minister of Arts & Sciences – Barony of Loch Salann



CHRONICLER

Greetings Quill readers! I was recently asked by a couple of people regarding writing articles for the Quill. I encourage everyone to submit an article

or ideas if you think it is a subject our readers would enjoy. If you have an idea please submit them to me and we can get them worked into a future issue.

As always I am looking for feedback on how I can improve your newsletter reading experience. If you have any comments, concerns or ideas regarding the Quill please send them to me at foilrose7@gmail.com.

- Jevan Goedwen

Chronicler – Barony of Loch Salann

Upcoming Baronial Events



DEFENDER TOURNEY

March 9, 2013

For 35 years our great and marvelous lands have faced and defeated a mighty foe. Each time this demon dared to threaten us, we the people of Loch Salann looked among us for a mighty defender who would rid our lands of this beast. Each time, that call was answered. Well my friends, once again rumors fill the air that a huge, slimy, multi-limbed creature is roaming our fair lands. Who will answer the call? Come, one and all, join us to defeat this creature and to save our land, our families, and homes from this frightful fiend.

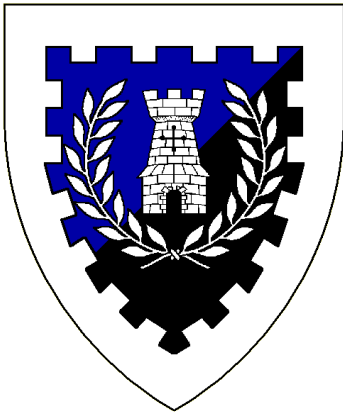
Come well-armed my friends, for the foe we face is cunning and sly. There will be tournaments to see who will be our worthy defenders. The heavy tournament will be led by Sir Bohun the Black, our current defender of these fair lands. A rapier tournament will be held by our brave Rapier Defender Don Elyas Tigar. To celebrate our anticipated victory, an Arts and Science Championship will be held to select the Baronial Champion for the next year. More information will be posted by our Arts and Sciences Minister Lady Winifred Whitehorse. Our gallant Baronial Bard, Lord Lawrence Bacon will be holding a bardic competition to select the next Loch Salann Bard.

Duke Sir Sean Kirkpatrick Tarragon will prepare a Feast to celebrate the occasion. The Feast menu will be posted as soon as it is finalized. Any special accommodations for the Feast will need to be requested by February 9, 2013. Reservations must be submitted by February 28, 2013. If you're interested in the Feast, please send your reservation to Lady Aingeal (astephens@nelsonlabs.com). For each reservation, please send a list including modern and SCA names for each individual, as well as ages of any children. If you wish to receive confirmation please include an email address. More information about prepayment and menu will be posted soon on <http://www.loch-salann.org/> and the Loch Salann Baronial Facebook page.

Additional event details can be found online at: http://www.loch-salann.org/docs/defender_13ann.html



Upcoming Kingdom Events

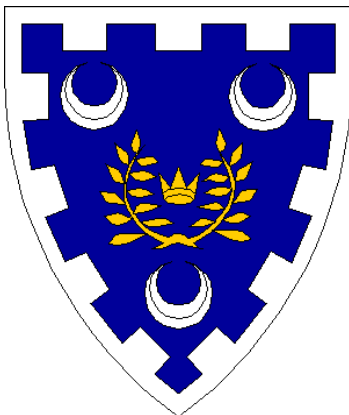


THE FEAST DAY OF ST. VALENTINE

February 9, 2013

The Shire of Silver Keep has been reveling in romance during this fair winter in the north of Artemisia, and we invite you to join us in celebrating the Feast Day of St. Valentine on February 9, 2013! Bring your wit to write secret messages to one another, and bring your pennies to send flowers of love or friendship to those dearest to you for our Shire fundraiser. Toast your inspiration, cavort with your friends, and praise those you admire. Courtly love is the order of the day!

Additional event details can be found online at: <http://shireofsilverkeep.webs.com/feastdayofstvalentine.htm>

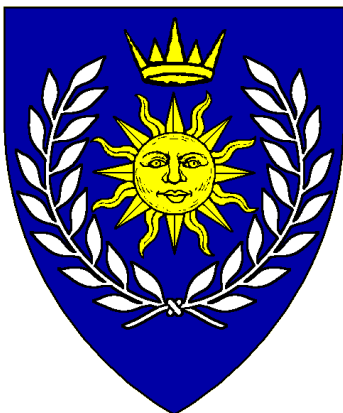


TALON CRESCENT FESTIVAL

February 16, 2013

Whispers of war are upon us and our cousins in Artemisia are keen to meet Caid on all fields! The Kingdom of Caid will host Talon Crescent Festival this first year over President's Day Weekend on Saturday, February 16th and Sunday, February 17th in preparation for Talon Crescent Wars in 2014.

Additional event details can be found online at: <http://www.talonscrescentwars.org/index.php>



ESTRELLA WAR XXIX

February 26, 2013

Estrella XXIX has a new vision; our focus is the embodiment of the the esprit de corps of those who live this dream of yore. Whatever your dream embodies that excites your senses and tantalizes your ancestral soul, Estrella War provides you the means to experience it.

Additional event details can be found online at: <http://estrellawar.org/>

This month I have chosen to publish my favorite soup recipe – Tomato Bisque Soup. I have served it at several event feasts while living in the Shire of Twae Linnes. The original recipe came from a backpacker's handbook book but I have tweaked it several times till I have created my own version of it. It is quite easy to fix and make a good sized pot. Hope you enjoy it!

Respectfully in Service - *Baroness Sheelaegh*

Tomato Bisque Soup

3 TB. of crushed garlic (or 8 cloves of garlic, crushed)	2 cups half & half
¼ to ½ lb. butter	5 - 29-oz cans tomatoes, diced (3 if you can like less chunkier soup)
4 tsp. dill seed	1 29-oz can tomato puree
2 TB. dill weed	black pepper, to taste
1 TB. Oregano	½ bunch parsley, chopped (1/3 cup dried will work also)
2 TB Basil	12 cups chicken broth (I used chicken base for a richer taste)
1/3 cup honey	
6 TB. Flour (use cornstarch for gluten free)	
4 cups heavy cream	

Cooking directions:

1. In a large pot, sauté garlic in plenty of butter along with dill seed, dill weed, oregano and basil for 5-10 minutes. Add tomatoes, puree & chicken stock and let simmer.
2. In a separate pan make a roux by blending equal amounts of butter & flour over medium heat, stirring constantly for about 3 minutes without browning. (If using cornstarch, mix with ½ cup water)
3. Add roux to stock and stir. Add pepper to taste. Bring to a boil, stirring occasionally. Reduce heat to low and let simmer for 30 - 45 minutes.
4. Add parsley, honey, cream, and half & half. Taste for seasoning. Reheat soup, but do not heat to a boil. Serve with a dollop of sour cream.

A Little History About the Tomato

The tomato is native to western South America and Central America. In 1519, Cortez discovered tomatoes growing in Montezuma's gardens and brought seeds back to Europe where they were planted as ornamental curiosities, but not eaten. Tomatoes were erroneously thought to be poisonous (although the leaves are poisonous) by Europeans who were suspicious of their bright, shiny fruit. So in many estates the tomato was left purely as an ornamental plant and kept well clear from the kitchen table. Most likely the first variety to reach Europe was yellow in color, Italy was the first to embrace and cultivate the tomato outside South America.

The French referred to the tomato as *pommes d'amour*, or love apples, as they thought them to have stimulating aphrodisiacal properties.

The British unfortunately had other reasons for not indulging in the tomato which reached English shores via France. The Brits picked up on the French name for the tomato 'Pomme d'Amour' and unfortunately took the 'Apple of Love' rather too literally and in line with the (then) current thinking and religious views refused to eat the tomato in a raw state for fear of arousing 'unseemly' passions! For these reasons most early British recipes using tomatoes insisted that it be cooked and it wasn't until the turn of the 20th century that raw tomatoes became popular as a salad ingredient.



Hear ye, hear ye!

The Youth Program will be holding an activity every month on the third Monday of the month as long as there is not an event happening during that time. We will have activities and project to help the Youth earn their beads and charms as well as having the Youth help plan activities for coming events. We want to encourage our Youth to participate and share their ideas on what they would like to see happen with the program. If you or your children are interested, please contact Arianna Rhosyn at lbanderson516@gmail.com. We will start holding these activities in March information will be forthcoming as to the address where it will be held and the time.

Make Your Own Parchment

Materials Needed:

- Cold coffee or tea (about 1/2 cup)
- Piece of white paper
- String or ribbon
- Blow dryer
- Markers, paints or pens.



Instructions:

1. Take a piece of nice white paper and rip off all the edges (don't cut them with scissors, rip them!) If you rip the paper a bit more than you meant to, it's not the end of the world... it just makes the parchment look older.
2. Crumple the paper up as tightly as you can into a ball. Flatten the paper out again and put onto a plate or cookie sheet.
3. Pour coffee or tea over the paper. Swoosh around with your hands to make sure it covers everything. Let it sit for about 5 minutes then remove.
4. Blowdry with a hand held blowdryer on high for about 5 minutes (leave it sitting on the plate while blowdrying or it will tear to pieces). When it's pretty dry (and starts to lift a bit) switch the blowdrier to low to finish off (about another 2 minutes).
5. Write a note or draw a map. This makes a terrific birthday invitation for a fantasy themed party. To finish off your letter or map, roll it up and tie with a piece of wool or ribbon

ARCHERY

Archery Practice is held every Thursday from 6:00 PM until approximately 9:00 PM. Join the archers of Loch Salann as they hone their skill with bow and arrow. The Barony has loaner gear for the use of newcomers. We are currently at our indoor location at Salt Lake Archery, 1130 Wilmington Avenue. The cost is \$6 per week.

Check out the Loch Salann Archery facebook page for updates and weekly shoot information. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/258853954213137/> Or contact Lady Aingeal, Captain of the Archers, 801-633-8908 or by email at aegthelionswife@gmail.com.

ARTS & SCIENCES – MONTHLY (THIRD WEEK OF THE MONTH)

February Arts & Sciences Night will be held Wednesday, February 20, 2013 at Fighter Practice. We will be assisting HE Jennet with largess for the Barony. Please bring any items you would like to work on and contribute to the Barony, or come and help with the many projects available.

The time and date for upcoming meetings will be announced on the Barony of Loch Salann Arts & Sciences Facebook page and on the Baronial Website.

Contact information for Winifred de Whitehorse 801-550-0464 or by email at Winifred.whitehorse@gmail.com.

BARONIAL BARDIC CIRCLE

The Bardic Circle will be holding monthly meetings on the 4th Sunday of each month. The next gathering is February 24th at the home of HE Amanda de Spencer, 13575 South 1300 East in Draper, Utah beginning at 7:00 p.m. Contact Lawrence Bacon for additional information Christopher.alderman@gmail.com or 801-673-3478 (no calls after 9).

BREWER'S GUILD

The Brewer's Guild will hold meetings approximately every six weeks. Announcements will be made on Facebook pages and on the Baronial Website. The meetings will be held on Friday evenings and will be at the home of HE Ryryd or HL Dunkr. For more information please contact HE Ryryd ap Gwerstan by email rcfaevans@comcast.net or by phone 801-706-0075 (no calls after 9, please).

COOK'S GUILD

January Cook's Guild met on January 22nd at the home of Lord Vogg in West Jordan. The next Cook's Guild will be the February 26. Please contact Mistress Casamira by email at jeannecas@gmail.com or by phone 801-572-6458 (speak to the Machine) if you have questions.

FIGHTER PRACTICE

Fighter Practice is held every Wednesday from 7:00 p.m. until approximately 9:00 p.m. We are now at our winter, indoor location at Zion's Bank on Redwood Road, Salt Lake City. Come watch the heavy weapons and rapier fighters. Loaner gear is available. If you have questions, contact the Knight Marshall, Markos Armenios by email at markwandrews@comcast.net or by phone at 801-673-9558 (no calls after 9, please).

GARDENING GUILD

The Gardening Guild is currently on hiatus for the winter months. Come spring, they plan to resume their meetings on the Third Sunday of the month. Contact Her Excellency Mistress Jerilyn of Vert Silva (Jeri Foster) jofvertsilva@yahoo.com for more information.

MIDDLE EASTERN DANCE AND DRUMMER'S GUILD

The Dance and Drummer's Guild is currently on hiatus. Announcements will be made when they resume in the spring. Contact Lady Zafirah: 801-971-2308 or zemlar@yahoo.com for additional information or changes.

MUSICIAN'S GUILD

The Musician's Guild continues to meet on Thursday evenings at either the home of Mistress Anne de Junius or Mistress Mary Amanda.

For question about your instrument or the activities of the guild, please contact Mistress Anne. If you can't meet for practice, your musical talents are still most welcome at events. Contacts: Mistress Anne de Junius -- (801) 466-7300

NEEDLEWORKER'S GUILD

The Needleworker's Guild meets will be meeting only on the Second Tuesday of the Month. Contact THL Bethoc by email at leishman10@msn.com or by phone 801-322-4984 for more information. If you are interested in embroidery and needlework, this is a wonderful place to learn, talk to other people about projects and spend some time perfecting your needlework skills. Anyone interested in the Needleworker's Guild may visit our blog at: <http://blsng.wordpress.com/>

THROWN WEAPONS

Thrown Weapons is on hiatus for the winter. Information will be posted when practice resumes. Thank you for all those who participated and attended throughout the season. If you have questions, or need additional information, contact Lord Rashied al Wahiel by email at Mtm021053@aol.com or by phone at 801-243-4663.

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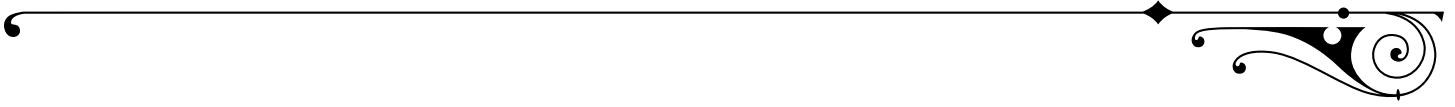
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Out of respect for all of our officers, Please, no phone calls after 9:00 p.m. - Thank you!



Submissions are not only welcome, they are encouraged! Be a part of the newsletter, reach the people, share your knowledge and wisdom.

Please send all submissions to the Chronicler Jevan Goedwen at foilrose7@gmail.com. Please include Questing Quill in the subject line. Submissions must be received by the 27th of each month to guarantee they will appear in the following month's issue.

