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Message from the Baron and Baroness



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

Spring has arrived and with it the beginning of the campaign season. With events every week from now until fall, there should be ample opportunity for everyone to explore their individual interests within our Society and hopefully take advantage of the diverse activities to broaden their knowledge of the Middle Ages as we know it today. Above all things it is our wish that all of the travel involved with getting to and from the events takes place as safely as possible.

Crown Tournament provided all of the excitement and good times that were anticipated. It was our pleasure to be able to welcome the newest Heirs to the thrones of Artemisia, Prince Timmur Jochan and Princess Saige verch Laurens. With the experience and vitality they always exhibit it is certain the next several months will be entertaining and they will be able to provide the support and continuity expected from Their Royal Majesties on into the future.

We would like to express our appreciation to the event steward, Tighearnan mag Cinndeargain and his staff for the wonderful

Bjorn Hrafnsson Baron

time we had at our Southern Collegium. The array of classes organized by Ashe'el Terestini provided opportunities for everyone attending to learn more about their special interests or explore other areas about which they have been curious. From the expert guest instructor to the fundraiser lunch provided by Cliodhna Ui Fearadhaigh, we could not have expected more.

The time we were able to spend with our friends in the Shire of Twae Linnes at their Spring Thaw celebration was greatly enjoyed as always. My two favorite things, archery and thrown weapons, were both on the agenda and arranged so that I could participate in both events. We were particularly impressed with the performance of one of our youth, m Lord Jonathan de Spencer, as he proceeded to sweep the field and prevail over all competitors in the archery competition. Our thanks go out to all who contributed to the success of the event.

We are anxiously awaiting our next trip to the western side of the Kingdom to enjoy the hospitality of the Barony of Arn Hold when they host this year's Kingdom Arts and Science Championships. Looking over the list of entrants, this promises to be a closely contested event and one we all should try to attend. Following closely on the calendar will be a trip to the east for us as we travel to the Riding of Redbridge to attend the Arabian Nights event. Towards the end of the month we intend to take on the Quest for Atlantis provided by our neighbors in the Barony of Gryphon's Lair. As always we hope that as many members of our Barony will accompany us on our travels, participate in the activities, and support our neighboring groups as they have supported us at our events.

The beginning of May marks the beginning of the outdoors practice season for both the fighters and archers of the Barony. On May 2nd our weekly fighter practice will move to our regular site in Sugarhouse Park. While we have been blessed with a great indoor site all winter, thanks to Lord Tighernan mag Cinndeargain, everyone including him, will be happy to be outside again. A range cleanup / setup has been scheduled for our summer archery range on April 29th to allow our first outdoor practice to take place on May 3rd. We are extremely fortunate to have the same range in West Jordan that we have used for the last couple of years due to the generosity of Cindy Bishop, the site owner. We hope everyone will take advantage of these scheduled practices to hone their skills and enjoy the opportunity to socialize with other members of the Barony.

Jennet Moir de Brechin Baroness

Officer News



Seneschal

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

The cold of Winter has finally melted away, spring is in full bloom around us and Summer is right around the corner. The approach of Summer means the approach of the camping season. We encourage members of the barony that can travel to these events (Middle Eastern War, Quest for Atlantis, our own Melee Madness and of course Uprising) to support our neighbors. Please be safe and courteous in your travels.

As our events and practices move outside, we urge parents to stay ever vigilant over their children, know where they are, who they are with, and what they are doing at all times. We would also like to remind parents that youth activities are here for the enjoyment and enrichment of our youth. They are not a babysitting service, and we urge you to attend the activities with your children. Let's have a safe and fun camping/outdoor season.

Southern Collegium was hugely successful and I would like to thank Lord Tighearnan and Her Ladyship Ashe'el for Autocrating and organizing classes

The 30th anniversary of Melee Madness is fast approaching! Come out and knock the rust of the melee skills in preparation for Uprising! HE Sir Michael The Lucky asks everyone to come out and make the 30th year of Melee Madness the best yet and get some awesome fighting at the Provo Castle!

As the everlasting peace between Loch Salann and Gryphon's Lair does indeed seem to be everlasting, their Excellencies of Loch Salann have asked that a Tournament of Virtues be held in July. A

competition will be held for Baroness' Champion based on Peer like virtues, to include A&S entries, a tournament of games, a test of knowledge of heraldry, combat (and a test of knowledge of combat for those competing for the A&S Champion), and a bardic. Come out to the South Jordan Equestrian Park July 21st to participate or support your favorite fighter/artist in their quest to be Baroness' Champion! Lord Markos Armenios will be Autocratting this event. Please contact him with any questions you have.

All of our offices currently have officers and we have a slew of new deputies over the last few months. His Excellency Mac Con is our new Deputy Seneschal, Her Excellency Anna and m'Lady Winifred are our new Deputy Exchequers, Lady Phaelaine is our new Deputy MoAS, and m'Lady Eithne is our new Deputy Chatelaine. Please take a moment to look at our officer's page to see all of our new Deputies (and some new officers) and take a moment to thank these individuals for their service to the Barony. If you have ever considered serving the Barony in any capacity, but did not know where to start, being a deputy is a great way to learn. Contact myself, or the current officer, for more information on any of the deputy positions you are interested in.

We are moving our Fighter Practice back to our Summer location in Sugar house Park the first Wednesday of May starting at 7:00 pm and going until dark. Archery/Thrown Weapons Practice will be at our Summer location at 2741 West 8600 South in West Jordan, starting Thursday May 3rd at 6:00 pm until dark

Lord Dunkr Ormhandleggr Seneschal – Barony of Loch Salann



Arts & Sciences

Unto the crafty and talented populace of Loch Salann Greetings!

April was a busy month and May is proving to follow suit. Spring has sprung, and with it opportunities to learn and create. I hope everyone enjoyed their classes at Collegium and learned many new things. In addition to that wonderful event, there were a new Kingdom Bardic Champion from our neighbors to the north (Congrats, Illiana), guild meetings, sewing gettogethers, and the armories are ringing with the sounds of new suits being made.

This month holds the Kingdom Arts and Sciences Competition. My warmest wishes go with the Loch Salann entrants. I know your efforts will show yet again the talent and skill that resides in our salty homeland. The Needleworkers, Musicians, and Cooks continue to meet and I know they would love to have new friends, or those that have simply been otherwise occupied for sometime, join them in learning and friendship. I am also hearing talk of the drummers starting to gather again. I encourage everyone to come out and see what is new.

I would also like to ask for class suggestions and volunteers to teach. Monthly Arts and Sciences classes are scheduled for the 3rd Friday of each month at 7pm. Please let me know if there is a subject you'd like to learn or a topic you are willing to share. I would also like to remind everybody of the ever growing lending library in my care. Books are available for loan to any member of the Barony. A list of titles is located on the Arts page of the Baronial website and new additions are added monthly. The newest copies of the T.I and the Complete Anachronist are in. Drop me a line if you'd like to see them.

I look forward to seeing the creations that the summer will bring and remain at your service for questions and suggestions. Finally, please note that my monthly article, which works our way through the Arts & Sciences categories, is located under "Guild News."

Yours in Service, **Lady Katherine Kelly** Minister of Arts & Sciences– Barony of Loch Salann



Archery

Greetings!

Here be news and updates as to what is going on in Archery.

First order of business:....

A most heartfelt THANK YOU!! to all who came out and help clean-up the Archery and Thrown weapons Ranges!! Most magnificent and quick job done by all!! Thursday, May 3rd, will be our first day of Outdoor Practice, Come one and all interested!!

Second order of business: ..

Outdoor range is located at 2741 West 8400 South, West Jordan, please remember that we are practicing at someone's house, please keep driveway clear of all vehicles unless loading of equipment or those needing assistance. Proceed thru gate on right side of house and continue straight back to next gate, and you will find the range located there.

Third order of business:

We will NOT be doing a Royal Round on the 3rd, a fun(snicker,snicker)shoot is scheduled, but will start doing those on the 10th of May. The rest of the schedule will be posted in the Docs as soon as I figure out what we are doing.

Yours in Service

Lord Francisco di Grazzi

Captain of the Archers -- Barony of Loch Salann



To the populace of Loch Salann, Greetings!

To borrow a passage from the wonderful musical "Camelot" from the amazing team of Lerner and Lowe:

"Tra la! Its May, the lusty month of May!
That lovely month when ev'ryone goes
blissfully astray
Tra la! It's here, that shocking time of year!
When tons of wicked little thoughts
merrily appear
It's May! It's May, that gorgeous holiday"

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It seems appropriate that with summer just around the corner, and winter finally receding, we all feel like shaking off the winter doldrums and look forward to the fun and excitement of the outdoor event season.

As I am always working to enhance the newsletter, starting this month a new section is being added which will offer information and feedback from the previous month's events. As it is important to get many points of view, I would ask you, the members, to provide that feedback or provide a short article about an event you attended. For the month of April, I wish to thank Baroness Sheelaegh and Mistress Jerilyn for their contributions regarding their experiences at Southern Collegium.

Additionally, I am always humbled and grateful for the talent and experience of the members of our Barony and I wish to express my gratitude you're your articles and input. These articles, and your input and time are what makes the Questing Quill interesting and enjoyable to our readers.

As always, contributions to our newsletter are welcome and encouraged. If you have questions or need information on the newsletter, please contact me at Winifred.whitehorse@gmail.com

Winifred Whitehorse

Chronicler - Barony of Loch Salann



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEW CROWN PRINCE AND PRINCESS OF ARTEMISIA

Greetings unto those who read this missive!

It was an honour to compete for the privilege of becoming heirs to the Artemisian throne in the recent crown tournament held by our good neighbors in Gryphon's Lair. What a great day we had! Our thanks to those who worked so hard to make this event memorable and especially to those who joined us in fighting for the right to protect our King and Kingdom. The fighting was honorable, well fought and reflected well on the consorts.

We will stand at the right hand of our Good King and Queen until such time as we are needed (may Their reign last exactly as long as it should!). In the meantime, we look forward to attending as many events as we can, spending time with the beloved populace and enjoying the best job in the Kingdom. If you see us at an event, please introduce yourselves to us if we have not yet had the pleasure of meeting you. We desire to get to know our populace.

In service to the King and Kingdom of Artemisia,



Timmur and Saige

Crown Prince and Princess

UPCOMING EVENTS

Arabian Nights

May 11-13, 2012 - Moab, Utah

Event steward: Abdul al-Havier (Travis Schenck | 907.617.6342 | southernswords@gmail.com

And so it was Written in the Words of the Sage that in the Far Southern Lands a Marvelous Event should occur. There by the River, which the Franks call Caerth, Would Appear the Marvelous City of Amhar. Its Walls formed of Wind, its Towers of Sand and Sun.

Long ago a spiteful Djinni drove the City beneath the sands of the Southern Lands to Only emerge Once a Year as the Star Alderbran begins to Set in the Heavens. For Three Short Days will the City of Amhar stay above the Sands. Its Gates stand Open to All. Its Treasures await Those Brave Enough to Traverse its Wonders. I, Abdul al-Havier, Guardian of the Secrets of Amhar, invite you to join me in --The Riding of Red Bridge --on the 11th - 13th of May as we Raise the City of Amhar from the Sands. A City will need Citizens, and we call All Fighters, Dancers, Archers, Artisans, and Nobles to Fill its Empty Streets. Perhaps, with Your Help, We can Break the Djinni's Curse and Return Amhar to the World of the Living. . .



The Three Days in Amhar will include . . .

Heavy Fighting -- to Scare the Djinni with our Might and Prowess...

Archery -- to Drive the Djinni from the Skies...

Rapier Fighting -- to Dazzle and Confuse the Djinni...

A Chess Tournament -- to Show the City of Amhar is Wise...

Arts and Science Classes and Competition -- to Show the City of Amhar is skilled...

Children's Activities -- to Show the City of Amhar will continue...

Dancing -- to Show that the City of Amhar is Full of Life...

But the Djinni is crafty, and his Servants and Spies are among us. It is possible that the Servants of the Djinni may win the day, and Ahmar will Sink beneath the sands once again.

Will you fight for Ahmar or betray it to the Djinni?

Each attendee will get to choose whether they are on the Djinni's side or the City of Ahmar's side. Victories in Battle, Tournament, or Competition, as well as Service,

Scavenger Hunt activities, and Children's Activities will all grant Points which the participant can give to either the City or the Djinni. The Side with the Most Points will be declared the Winner, and the Fate of the City will be decided.

The Site is Kane Springs Campground, along the beautiful Colorado River. 1705 S. Kane Creek Blvd. Moab, Utah 84532.

Directions: Travel to Moab, Utah. On Main Street turn right (west) on to Kane Creek Blvd (Between McDonalds and Burger King) and follow the road 4 miles to Kane Springs Campground which will be on the right side of the road.

Things to Know:

Water is available on-site. Drink plenty of it. This is the desert.

Showers are available at the main campground for \$5.

Fires should be built in above ground fire-pits some fire wood is available for sale.

The site is discretely damp -- please consume responsibly.

Pets are allowed at the site if they are kept on a leash and owners clean up after them.

Important information. There is access to the river at the campground but the river is very swift and unsafe in this area so please make sure to keep a watchful eye on kids and pets.

Site Fee:

\$15 adult members; \$10 children 6-15; children under 6 free.

Family cap: \$45

Day Trip. \$10

All applicable nonmember surcharges apply.

Meal Plan info: adults (16+) \$18 kids(6-15) \$9 kids(3-6) \$5

Saturday Breakfast: Pancakes, Bacon, and Tang /Saturday Lunch: Hotdogs, sandwiches, chips, fruit, and lemonade Saturday Dinner: Dutch oven stew and rolls /Sunday Breakfast: Boiling Bag scrambled eggs, cereal, and Fruit Pies (mmm).

There are only 50 spots so please send in and sign up. If you have any questions and or dietary concerns you can contact Ian the Strange directly at Ianthestrange@yahoo.com or call him at 377-3711(home phone). Due to the heat of the desert – all fighting will not begin until 4pm. This gives a great opportunity as there is time during the middle of the day for many A&S classes and activities. This would be a great time for people to fulfill some of the King's challenges for his Chosen Seven or to work on projects for the many other challenges put forth in the kingdom. Fighters will have time to participate in classes or game competitions. Is there anyone who knows about Arabic calligraphy that could help with teaching the older kids? We would also love any classes on belly-dance, storytelling, the silk road, how to wrap a turban, all of these coincide with the event theme but we would also love classes on armor making and such. So if you have anything you would like to do in this opportunistic time please contact the autocrat today.

Tentative Schedule

Friday - Arrival and set up

Saturday -8am Breakfast starts, Archery Field open for warm up

9am Archery tournaments begin

10:30 am Opening court

11 am A&S classes start

Youth activities - Make fans, decorate treasure boxes, Treasure dig,

Decorating dancing hip-scarves /sashes

Older kids - Arabic calligraphy

12:30 Lunch

2pm Water Activities for youth (and young at heart) people will get wet but not necessarily swimming

4pm Heavy combat and Rapier combat start

Arabian nights rapier scenario's:

Cave of wonders. The fighters must fight into the cave of wonders and get as much gold as they can. (I would need bags of gold or rocks.) Kill the sultan. Fighters must kill the sultan on his outing through the market place. There will be two body guards accompanying the sultan, and you must get around them or kill them to kill the sultan.

40 thieves vs. the sultan's guards (open field battle)

Market tourney. this is a prize tourney that you must bring a prize to enter. The winner will be determined by points. And the person with the most points get's to pick first out of the prizes.

Arabian Nights Heavy combat melee scenario's.

Note this is War (leave your tournament at home.)

Save the Queen's Horse

Get the horse home

Gold Gold Gold

Res battle all for yourself he who has the most gold wins.

6pm Dinner

7:30pm Evening Court

Activities after court - Torchlight Youth combat, Youth Hafla, Astronomy class, Adult Hafla

Sunday

9am Breakfast

Tear down and clean up

Note: This article ran in last month's Questing Quill, but because of the spectularness of this event, and as a reminder to everyone to attend, we are running it again. Remember 42 fighters makes a castle siege

Loch Salann - Melee Madness



30 Years!!! Yes, 30 years of Loch Salann Melee Madnesses will have occurred on June 2nd & 3rd 2012, at its very unique, incredibly ancient and honorable site at the castle in back of the Utah State Hospital in Provo, Utah. Fighting, archery, thrown weapons, relaxing in the sun–what more could you want? Come on out and be able to say to your grandchildren that YOU WERE THERE! Opening announcements are tentatively planned for 10:00 AM on Sat. (or whenever the event steward thinks that enough fighters have shown up). Should we gather a sufficient number of fighters (42 seems to be the magic number), the <u>full-on</u> castle siege scenario will occur!! While all this is going on, the competitions for Baronial archery and thrown weapons champions will also be taking place. On Sunday morning, weather allowing and by the request of HRM Sean, a special pas d'arms, celebrating the anniversaries of many illustrious knights (**5** shall be the number of the counting), will be held, hosted by House Catwing and open to all fighters; see the event steward for details. Bring your nicest banners and fighting clothes, and display your skills at weapons and words. Note: Fiberglass spears with 2" Mandrake stabbing tips will <u>NOT</u> be allowed at this event!

If you've **ever** wanted to run/sponsor an activity/contest or teach a class (fighting <u>or</u> non-fighting), this is <u>the</u> place to do it; just clear it with the event steward and appropriate coordinator. 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 on Friday night after 5:30 PM. Unless told otherwise, camping is only allowed this year on the field in front of the castle; please contact the event steward beforehand if you plan on camping overnight. 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 **VERY 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 <u>immediately!</u> Off-site merchants are only 4-6 minute away, and while ground fires are not permitted, off-ground firepits, hibachis, and gas grills are. Pets are welcome if accompanied by <u>responsible</u> owners. The SITE FEE is \$8 for adults (16 yrs. Old and older), \$4 for youths, 5 yrs. Old and younger are free and pregnant ladies get a \$2 rebate; per **Family** price cap of \$24 (not per household!). Make checks payable to "Barony of Loch Salann, SCA Inc.".

DIRECTIONS: Take I-15 to the <u>Provo</u> 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@aol.com

FIGHTING COORDINANTOR: Sir Bohun the Black (Adrian Kuhn), 801-856-3632, e-mail: Bowen_the_Black@yahoo.com

NON-FIGHTING ACTIVITIES COORDINATOR: Lady Amada de Spencer (Janice Spencer-Wise), 801-520-5481, e-mail: amandadespecer@hotmail.com

UPCOMING EVENTS KINGDOM

GOOD LUCK



To all the Entrants in the Kingdom Arts & Sciences

Barony of Arn Hold May 5th, 2012

This is your invitation to compete for the Arts & Sciences Championship. A beautiful May is coming and it is time once again for the Artisans of this Kingdom to display their Talents and Style for the Glory that is Artemisia! There are 3 different levels. Kingdom Champion, Novice Champion (never entered a Kingdom Arts & Sciences competition before), Youth Champion (Under 18 years old).

Competitors for Kingdom Champion must enter a Minimum of 5 Items in a Minimum of 3 Categories. There is a 7 Item Maximum. The Average Item Score will determine the Winner. There will also be Competitions for both Novice Champion and Youth Champion. Folks not competing for Champion may enter up to 3 Items for Judging and Comments. Written documentation is required for ALL entries.. Entries must be set up by 11AM so judging can begin.

Pre-registration of your Entries is required a Minimum of 8 days before the event for All Entries.

Please send all pre-registration materials to HE Casamira by April 22, 2012.

Registration Form is located on page 11 of this issue.

Any Writing Entries longer than 5 type-written pages need to be sent by e-mail with the Pre-registration so they can be read and reviewed before the Competition. The fund raiser for the event will be a luncheon. In addition to the A&S entries there will be a May Pole activity.

Everyone is invited to Arn Hold to see who will succeed Duchess Caryn and THL Heidi as the Champion and Novice Arts and Sciences Champions of Artemisia!

Directions: Take your best route to Interstate 184, Curtis exit. Turn North on Curtis. Curtis will turn into Veterans Parkway, and then will turn into 36th street after crossing State street. Parkview will be on the right in 2 tenths of a mile.

SITE: Parkview Fellowship, 2620 North 36th Avenue, Boise Idaho. Site opens at 10:00 AM and closes at 10:00 PM. Judging begins at 11:00 AM. The site is dry. The park near the site will accommodate A&S entries for Brewing.

SITE FEES: \$7 for all 15 and over, 14 and under are free, Family Cap of \$21.

Non-member fee \$5. Make checks payable to Barony of Arn Hold, SCA Inc.

For more information, please contact

Event Steward: Lady Aelin (hunt.elen@gmail.com)

Kingdom Minister of Arts & Sciences: HE Casamira jeannecas@gmail.com

Quest for Atlantis Barony of Gryphon's Lair



May $25^{th} - 28th$, 2012

For the ocean there was at that time navigable; for in front of the mouth which you Greeks call, as you say, 'the pillars of Heracles,' there lay an island which was larger than Libya and Asia together; and it was possible for the travelers of that time to cross from it to the other islands, and from the islands to the whole of the continent over against them which encompasses that veritable ocean. Now in this island of Atlantis there existed a confederation of kings, of great and marvelous power, which held sway over all the island, and over many other islands also and parts of the continent. -Plato, Timaeus

The Barony of Gryphon's Lair is proud to announce Quest for Atlantis, an exciting event designed to bring us closer to that most mysterious of lost continents! It will be 3 days of Baronial Championships (rapier, heavy fighting, thrown weapons, youth combat, and bardic!), classes, youth activities, a WAR, and a Quest designed to boggle even the advanced minds of the Atlantians.

We are offering the following classes: period hairstyles, period dance, beginning garment construction, beginning calligraphy, card weaving, and gorget construction.

A fundraiser breakfast will be organized by HL Gwynnyth ferch Morgan and HL Allegretza Pannatierre. Fresh breakfast pies with ingredients chosen from a breakfast bar will be served, \$4/person.

Merchants welcome! Please contact the site steward to reserve a space. Tentative Schedule:

Saturday: Breakfast Fundraiser – 8am to 10am, Quest – 11am to 2pm, Classes – throughout the day, Youth activities – throughout the day (parents are welcome to help), Baronial Bardic Championship – after evening court

Sunday: Baronial Championships, WAR scenario

SITE: Crystal Hot Springs, 8215 North Highway 38 South, Honeyville, UT 84314. Site opens Friday, May 25, 2012 at 3pm, and closes Monday, May 28, 2012 at 1pm

SITE FEES: Adults - \$15/camping, \$10/single day, Youth - \$10/camping, \$5/single day, Family Cap - \$45/camping, \$30/single day. NMS - \$5 Make checks payable to Barony of Gryphon's Lair, SCA Inc.

Event Stewards

Lady Michelle of Harris upon York and Lord Andrew of Harris upon York

aoe_sunshine@yahoo.com and outlaw_offroad@hotmail.com

Uprising Barony of 1000 Eyes



Event Date: June 12-17, 2012

Once again in the heart of Artemisia, the Barony of One Thousand Eyes is in the process of planning Uprising XXVI. Please visit our web page for more detailed information and updates.

http://www.barony1000eyes.org/UprisingWar/Home.as

Site: Ancestral Youngforest lands.

Directions :From the north:Take your best route to Kings Highway

15 (I-15) heading south. Take exit 108 and turn LEFT onto E 1250 RD N. Continue to follow E 1250 RD N. Turn right at US-91 (State St, Yellowstone Hwy). Turn left at E 800 N/Goshen Road (travel about 2.6 miles, if you pass the large electrical substation on the right, you've gone too far).

From the south: Take your best route to Kings Highway 15 (I-15) heading north. Take exit 93 and head right toward Blackfoot. Keep right at the fork. Turn left at US-91 (Main Street). Turn right at E 800 N/Goshen Road (travel about 2.6 miles, if you pass the large electrical substation on the right, you've gone too far).

Site Fees: Register through ACCEPS or via mail. Pre-Registration closes May 15th.

Age Group Pre-Registration At the Gate

Adult (16 & older) \$30 \$35 Minor (6 - 15) \$15 \$20 Child (under 6) Free Family Cap \$100 \$110

Non Member Surcharge \$5

Daytrip Fee Minor \$5

Activities: (Please note this is a preliminary list)
Archery, Artisans Display (Laurel's Prize), Bloomery,
Classes, Children's Carnival and Activities, Dancing: Fools,
Grand Ball and Prom, Equestrian, Kingdom Equestrian
Championship (Approved by Their Majesties, Kingdom
Seneschal and Exchequer), Little Princess Tea, Rose and
Butterfly Tourney, Thrown Weapons, Queens Tea, Unbelted
Tourney

Event Steward: Sumayya bint Suleiman sumayyaalrumi@yahoo.com

Co Steward: Cayliedh bean Tiernbard

ARTS & SCIENCES TEA

Unto all to whom these presents come greetings, We, the Minister of Arts and Sciences, Lady Katherine Kelly and Mistress Leah de Spencer, Baronial Arts and Sciences Champion, do invite all Artists, Artisans, Scientists and Students to a Tea in their honor.

Date: 2nd June at Melee Madness Time: about 4:00 until court Place: Hold Tyte Pavilion

Refreshments of Cookies and punch will be served, Donations of "goodies" will be gratefully accepted) Come join us in a pleasant break from the fighting and archery, bring your chair and a project you are working on, and enjoy the cooling of the late afternoon with friends.

2012 CONSTANCE de la Rose

Medieval Iron Chef Competition

RULES

The DAY of competition will be announced by the Uprising Committee.

- 1. Teams will prepare a medieval feast sufficient to feed 12-15 people based upon the recipes in the The Forme of Cury by Samuel Pegge.
- 2. Competition shall be between teams of 2-7 people. Up to 5 cooks who can handle the food and 2 scullery members who don't handle food but do dishes, fetch, carry, tend the fire, etc.
- 3. Feast must contain at least a soup, a main dish, a vegetable or fruit dish, and a sweet dish.
- 4. There is no maximum number of dishes, however, each dish should allow at least 12-15 "taste" sized servings. (Make enough so the tasters can taste!)
- 5. All dishes must be prepared on site on the day of the event. Any exceptions must be approved by the competition staff and will only be allowed for ingredients that require more than one day for completion (example vinegars, spiced wines, etc). No pre-prepared complete dishes will be allowed.
- 6. There will be a box of unidentified ingredients given to the teams on the day of the event. All items in the box must be identified and used in some way in the dishes.
- 7. All teams must pre-register with the Iron Chef Steward prior to June 1, 2012 and pay a \$10 entry fee.
- $8. \ \,$ Teams must arrange for their own cooking sites.
- 9. Teams must check in with HE Casamira the evening before the competition to confirm participation and decide on the starting time each team will receive their box of food.
- 10. The first team will receive their box of ingredients and the chosen recipe at the time designated the previous evening. Judging time is 6 hours after their food box is received. The next team will receive their box of food 45 minutes later, etc.
- 11. The Iron Chef Steward will choose a single recipe from The Forme of Cury cookbook that all teams must prepare and serve.
- 12. Teams are responsible for providing or arranging for all cooking and serving items. This may include plates, utensils and drinking vessels for the 3 judges and one place setting for each of the other teams to sample from.
- 13. Teams are responsible for the cleanliness of their kitchen, both during and after the competition.

- 14. Each team must bring their meal to the designated Pavilion with their completed feast at their assigned time for judging.
- 15. Teams will have 6 hours to cook their feast.
- 16. Three gentles will judge the feasts in the following areas:
 - Recipes chosen
 - Redactions
 - Authenticity/Continuity
 - Complexity
 - Presentation & Palatability
 - Judges overall impression
- 17. Judges are encouraged to visit cooking sites throughout the day.
- Teams are judged in the order they received their ingredients.
- 19. Competing team members will be allowed to taste their own and other teams entries along with the judges and paying members of the Populace Tasting Committee.
- 20. The following awards will be announced and prizes awarded:
 - Medieval Iron Chef 2012 Team
 - Best Over All Dish as chosen by the judges
 - Taster's Choice (Not the coffee), as chosen by the Tasters**.
 - Best chosen recipe decided by the judges.
- 21. The winning team will be presented with the Medieval Iron Chef Banner, which they may display for the following year and return to be presented at the next Medieval Iron Chef Tournament.
- 22. Teams are encouraged to choose appropriate team names, wear something to identify their team, and/or do anything else that adds to the enjoyment of the event.
- 23. Teams are expected to follow MODERN food handling guidelines so as not to poison the judges or tasting populace!
- Teams can supply the following ingredients and use unlimited quantities:
- Salt, pepper, cinnamon, eggs, wine, ale, verjuice, milk, cream, flour, and olive oil.
- **Tasting tickets can be purchased for \$10 from Mst.

 Casamira at Uprising, or at the Consignment

 Store on Merchant's Row. Quantities are limited but there will be plenty of delicious food.

Articles

VENERABLE BEDE



Depiction of the Venerable Bede (on CLVIIIv) from the Nuremberg Chronicle, 1493

Unto the good people of Loch Salann, greetings on this beautiful spring day.

As I was thinking about what to write for May, the possibilities were rather overwhelming. During this month the Eastertide celebrations continue. The 17th is the celebration of the Ascension of the Lord, and Pentecost Sunday is on the 27th.

However, I want to tell you about a person, who was not yet a Saint, during my lifetime*. Venerable Bede, a monk from the Northumbrian Monastery of Saint Peter at Monkwearmouth., was an author, and a scholar. His most famous work is the *Historia excxlesiastica gentis Anglorum* (the Ecclesiastical History of the English People.

He was a remarkable man, linguist, and translator. He wrote in both Latin and Greek, making the works of the early Church Fathers much more accessible to his fellow Anglo-Saxons, and by extension, all of the British Isles. His works on grammar, chronology, and biblical studies are as important to those of us who live today (during medieval times) as his historical and hagiographical works. Through his words, we as medieval scholars have a record of many things that would have been lost in the mists of time.

I found this information on Wikipedia.org/wiki/Bede, and encourage you to check out this most remarkable man. Illustration also from Wikipedia.

By my hand:

Sister Scholastica

(aka Leah de Spencer)

*Note: Venerable Bede was canonized in 1899, recognized as Doctor of the Church, Rome by Pope Leo XIII



A.S. XLVII

Anno Societatis/A.S. – The dating system used in the S.C.A. All dates are counted from May 1, 1966 and the year is shown in Roman Numerals. ("Anno Societatis" is basically "In the Year of the Society.")

May 1, 1966 was May 1, A.S. I, and the dates move forward from there.

On the Taking of Pages

By Baron Morgan Blaidd Du, GHA(2), CQC, PCA, CCH

Every once in awhile, just when you think you have nothing useful to contribute to a newsletter, someone will ask you for advice at the same time that a Chronicler asks you for an article, which is pretty much what happened to me last month- some close friends asked my advice on taking Pages, what to expect of the child, what the child should expect, etc., just when I was asked if I could submit an article, so here we are. You may wonder why I am being asked for this advice; simple answer, I have had 7 different Pages over the last decade, so I speak from experience, and I asked my current "staff" [1 Page and 2 Ladies-in-Waiting] for their views on what we expect from each other.

First, let's be clear on a very important part; while I fully support the Artemisian Youth Program, this article has *nothing* to do with the Pages' Primer. I'm writing about the taking of a personal Page, which is more in line with the taking of Squires, Apprentices, and/or Proteges than following the steps in a manual; this is a personal thing between you, the kid, the kid's parents, and your family and Household, in that order. Having said that, I feel I must remind you that my opinions regarding Service are very Tarragon-esque [both Sean and Brion], since I have been part of one of the branches of that great Household for 15 years. Your thoughts on what are appropriate service/requirements for a child may wildly differ from mine, which is fine- read the article, use what works for you, disregard the rest.



So, the best way to do this is probably to go point-by-point, first with the "Dos", then with the "Don'ts".

Hold on tight, here we go:

DO:...

1. Communicate— Before you commit to ANYTHING, talk to the kid and their parents about what you expect, what they expect, the rewards, and the consequences when expectations aren't met. Part of this is establishing the "chain of command"; for my Pages, that's Parents First, then the Crown and Heirs, the local Baronage, my Lady, then me. No, that is not a typo, in my SCA life the desires of the Crown and Coronets outweigh my personal desires, which is part of why you keep seeing my staff standing behind various Thrones— those seated learn very early in Their reigns that my staff are always willing [in fact they are required] to serve, then They see that they [note: big They= seated Royals/Nobles; little they= Pages/staff] are also really good at it. That's part of why 2 of my staff are currently Royal Retinue [the third is too busy mundanely]. Another part of this is talking to your Page about school, life, relationships, and more importantly letting your Page know they can talk to you about those things, that you will protect their privacy as much as possible, but be clear that certain things you will have to tell their parents, then encourage them to do it first, or offer to help them tell their parents if it's something difficult. As hard as it is to write, I must admit my failure in this; four years ago my Page Jonathon was having some very serious personal problems, so bad that he made the worst decision any person can and ended his life. My failure was not talking to him more often and letting him know that he could talk to me

about his problems; had he felt he could call me, or had I called him, I would have been able to tell him that I went through the exact same problem when I was his age, and how I survived it. Unfortunately I got too wrapped up in my own problems, and forgot that there was a young man looking to me for guidance, and I let him down. Requiem in Pace Jonathon, know that you are loved and missed every single day.

- 2. Real Life Comes First—This doesn't just refer to parents being first in-charge, it also means that I discuss and reach an agreement with the parents on what grades are required to keep on being a Page, that school activities supersede events, and family obligations are more important than any SCA activity. Another part of this is the consequences of misbehavior or poor grades; I have suspended a Page in the past, including taking back my token, for these issues, which gave that much more weight to their perception of the severity of the issues. I'm happy to say I only had to do it once.
- 3. Specify Your Requirements—Tell your Page, better yet your Prospective Page, exactly what you expect of them, be it grades, direct service to you, service to the Crown, serving Feast, some display of artistic ability, whatever you and their parents deem appropriate.
- 4. Specify Your Contributions— This goes hand—in—hand with #3; tell your Page exactly what they can expect of you, be it how you will help them with school, when/how much free time you will give them at any given event, what volunteering you're doing, and either how you can help or who you will guide them to for help with their particular artistic talent; e.g. if my Page wants to learn how to sing, I would guide them to Padruig and Illiana, which would help a whole lot more than me putting in my 2 cents, since I can't sing at all.
- 5. Encourage Your Page—When they do good for you, say so. When they do good serving someone else, like the Crown, say so, don't just leave it to Them. When they get good grades, say so, and if you haven't heard recently, ask their parents. When they improve or accomplish something artistically, say so. See the pattern? You are, basically, a foster-parent to your Page, it's your job to be as encouraging as their real parents, if not more so.
- 6. Let a Kid be a Kid- You have to remember how old your Page is, and give them time to go do kid things, and the SCA things they like to do. This also means give them time to take the classes they want to take at Collegiums, as well as time to take part in Youth Combat, or Archery, or Thrown Weapons, whatever it is they like to do. Remember that part of your job is to encourage this kind of growth, so requiring your Page to hang around holding your goblet rather than shooting for Youth Archery Champion is bad; you should hang around holding their goblet while they shoot! Side note: since all of our Youth Activities require parental attendance, make sure you have the necessary forms filled out so that you can be "Parentis Locus" [stand-in parent] for them at those Youth Activities, and take the forms with you to every event. Helpful Hint- since you fill-in the expiration date on those forms, go ahead and make them good for a whole year, then you and the parents don't have to make new forms for every event.
- 7. Make the Introductions— It's one thing to tell your Page that they are expected to do what the Crown asks of them, it's another to take your Page to the Crown, introduce them, and then tell the Crown that your Page is, also, at Their beck and call. This is important for two reasons; it lets the Crown know who they can call on if They need more help, and it helps your Page see the Crown for who They really are, regular people who "won" a whoooollle lot of extra responsibilities. I'm willing to bet that any Royal Peer or Landed Baronage you ask will agree that the best training for sitting on a Throne is to serve behind the Thrones.
- **8. Read/Work Through the "Pages' Primer**"-We have the Known World's absolute best Youth Officers in Artemisia, and they did a great job on the book, so use it; it will probably teach them [and you] something you would have missed otherwise.
- 9- Have a Ceremony- Obviously this isn't something that should be done in Court like a Peerage, but you are making an important commitment, so feel free to have a small, Household-type ceremony where you and your new Page exchange your pledges in front of friends and family, and if the Crowns and/or Coronets are available to join you, great [you should at least invite your local Baronage]; if not, do it anyway. Doing this gives added weight to the pledges you trade [note I didn't say "oath" or "vow"], for both you and your Page. It also gives other kids, especially siblings, the clear impression that this is NOT a game; your Page now has serious responsibilities, and is growing up.

That pretty well covers the "dos", so here are the "don'ts",

DON'T:

1. Pick 'em Young— In Period, Pages didn't start until age 7, and in some countries they were considered adults as young as 14 [Wales, for instance]. We don't consider our kids adults until they're 21, or at least 18, so feel free to let them get to 9 or older before taking them as a Page. Younger than that and the desire to play easily overrides any sense of duty they may have, so all you're going to do is frustrate them, their parents, and yourself.

- 2. Pick Sibs/Your Own- Trust me, if you pick two siblings as Pages, then everything you have them do turns into competition, at least on some level, which results in unhappy Pages. If your Page's sibs, especially twins, want to be Pages too, talk to some of your friends about taking one. As for your own kids, you're already their parent, there's no additional benefit/consequence to their actions if your Page is already your kid. I can't explain it better than that, just trust me, ask someone else, that you trust, to take your child as a Page, it'll be worth it.
- 3. Forget Them During the Week- You are in a unique position of influence on a young person's life, different from parent, teacher, bishop/priest, and relative; don't just be there at events, be there whenever they need you, and stay in contact between events so they KNOW you are there for them, you could be the difference between a difficult conversation and a tragedy. Don't repeat my failure.
- **4.** Let Them Run Wild- Yes, they need time to be a kid, but you've taken responsibility for them, so they either need to be with you, or with their parents, not running loose. Be sure that they are telling both you AND their parents when they go to a class, or back to camp, or anywhere else, and make sure that you all know who is where.
- **5. Expect Too Much** Don't require more from your Page than is appropriate for their age, you can always discuss their responsibilities with them and add more later on, but cutting back on responsibilities is very difficult.
- **6. Expect Too Little** Either they or their parents asked you to take them as your Page, largely because they want some responsibilities, so give them some. Just be sure, as I said above, that you've talked out what those responsibilities will be with both them and their parents.
- 7. Force Them Into the Presence—If they aren't ready, especially if they have Crown-o-phobia, don't force them to meet the Crown, give it time; sooner or later they'll be there when you're having a casual conversation with the Crown, and they'll see that They are just people too.
- **8. Just Follow the Pages' Book** Yes, it's good, and it's helpful, but it isn't designed for a one-on-one relationship, and it doesn't address your/your Page's individual needs or strengths. Decide together where to follow the book, and where to go your own way.
- 9. Over-do the Ceremony- Yes, I said this is like a Knight taking a Squire, but it isn't exactly the same, so don't use the same oath. Your pledge should be simple, specific to whom you both are and what you both expect, and should be *open to be dissolved*. Nothing will turn a Page off more than feeling trapped into doing stuff for you, if they don't want to do it anymore let them go, no hard feelings.
- 10. Try to Keep Them Too Long- The Page relationship is the only one guaranteed to change, because kids grow up. Of course, kids change as they grow, and with your guidance and encouragement they're probably going to be getting some awards. Personally, I figure if they're old enough and mature enough to receive an Award of Arms, becoming a Lord or Lady, it isn't appropriate to keep them in a child's job, so they shouldn't be a Page anymore. Of course, that doesn't mean you can't turn around and ask them to be your Lady-in-Waiting or Man-at-Arms, or just your friend and member of your Household, whichever is most appropriate. Unfortunately, on the flip-side it's not uncommon for SCA kids to get tired of the entire game as they get older, and for them to walk away from it. Either way, be willing to let them move on. That doesn't mean cut them out of your life entirely, but do give them the space that they want, and be in agreement with them/their parents as to how much you are going to stay in the kid's life. Once they've turned 18, graduated, and are moving on to college/marriage/work/military service, be very proud, you helped them get there. Now go find a new 9-year old, and start all over. Trust me, when I look at/think about the Marine and his wife, the Happy Wife and her husband, and most recently the current Bard of Artemisia, "fostering" my friends' kids has been worth every one of the tears I've shed, and I have no doubt whatsoever that you will feel the same way.





This article was published on the Kingdom of Caid website as a guide to newcomers planning on attending the upcoming Great Western War XV, which is in October in Taft, California. http://caid-gww.org/newcomers.php. It was such an impressive and well written article, I contacted the author and asked her permission to share it with our Barony. She very magnanimously agreed and we are pleased to offer her written wisdom to you. If you like her article, send her an email and tell her so. Her address is bridget@blazingsword.com.

SCA Camping

For the Newcomer

By Mistress Bridget Lucia MacKenzie



So! You are going to War and camping in a tent for the first time! Big adventure! Great Fun! It will be, as long as you plan ahead and do your research. Here are some questions to ponder, and some hints to help you.

Who are you camping with?

Many folks are with an established household, warband, or other related-interest group (the Archers, the Brewers). If you know someone in these groups, ask if you can camp with them. Remember that each group has its own flavor and style. Some are family camps, some are noisy warbands, some have quiet storytelling around the campfire, and some have drum circles and belly dancers. Find a group you will feel comfortable with. It is often good for folks with children to find family camps with kids the same age so they can play together. And if you are bringing pets, make sure they are not "whiners" and that the folks you are camping with don't mind. If you don't have anyone to camp with, talk with your local Baronial or Shire Chatelaine, or the Kingdom Chatelaine to see if there is a Newcomer's Household. Most Baronies and/or Shires also have encampments that certainly welcome new campers. No need to camp alone.

What will you eat?

Some encampments have Food Plans where each person contributes money and/or food and/or chores. Make sure you understand what is exactly what is required of you. No one wants to be surprised with kitchen duty when they planned on going to the battle field. And if a person in the camp has food allergies, you want to make sure no one gets poisoned. Some encampments have big planned gourmet meals with many folks preparing the food, and some folks are fine with burning meat over the campfire. Some folks are happy heating cans of stew over the propane stove, and sometimes just a combo plate from the Chinese food merchant is just what you want. Regardless of what food you plan to eat, bring 1/2 to 1 gallon of water or sports drink per person per day to drink. Stay hydrated, even when it is cold.

What type of tent do you have?

Some of the Period Encampments require that only fancy pavilions be used, and that all camping equipment be historically documentable. But most encampments don't mind modern nylon tents; they may just ask them to be put behind the big, pretty, period pavilions. Don't be offended, take comfort in knowing that your nylon pop-up can be assembled in a few minutes and you be relaxing with a cool beverage, while those guys with the lumber and ropes are still setting up. Actually, it would be right neighborly if you helped them.

Where are you camping?

Know where you group will be camping, either by exchanging maps before you set out or by marking the big map at the Gate to War. Be sure to exchange cellphone numbers and contact phone numbers of people who are back home and can act as communications relays. Be sure you know when your camp mates are arriving and vice versa, and have plans for if someone does not show up when they were supposed to. Also, once you arrive and set up, and before you park, take a drive around the war site to get familiar with where your camp is in relation to Merchants, the Battlefields, Children's' Activities, friends camps you want to visit, etc. It is much more difficult to find other peoples' camps in the dark.

Personal comfort and health

It seems silly to have to remind folks, but BRING YOUR MEDICATIONS! Just because you are on vacation does not mean your required medications are too. Also bring any over-the-counter health items you may possibly need. Remember the closest drug store is a long walk to your car, then a long drive away. And I know of many folks (myself included) who have gone to war and come home with sore throats, bronchitis, and worse.

We urban folks are only pretending to be hearty Middle Ages Nobles, who were used to sleeping in drafty castles and poorly heated manor houses during a mini-ice-age. Most of us are actually rather frail, and sleeping in a tent is not what most of our bodies are used to. Check the weather reports before you go, if it will be rainy, freezing or of excessive heat, bring items to keep you comfortable in those environments. Is your sleeping bag rated for sub-zero? Do you have rain-boots and a complete change of clothes in a plastic bag? Sunscreen and sun hat?

I did not start tent-camping until I joined the SCA, and found it nearly impossible to survive the night. If I slept in the cold, I was guaranteed to wake up with a sore throat. So to keep from daily illness I developed a series of steps to keep me healthy while camping. Before sleeping I pre-medicate my throat by drinking a hot liquid formula medicine (like Theraflu). I have sore throat syrup and a thermos with warm water that I can drink from throughout the night if I wake up with a dry throat. And I cover my head with my blankets to pre-warm the air I breathe. It is a pain, but it is how I can camp in the cold. What problems do you foresee about your camping experience? Be sure to plan for these problems and bring any medicines or foods you may need.

More about sleeping in a tent

Before you sleep, be sure you change all your daytime clothes with fresh ones. Wearing socks and underthings that were worn during the day can make a person cold, lowering body temperature.

Put a flashlight, your car keys, and your shoes/boots in a place you know where to find them in the dark. If you need to get up during the night, either for a routine trip to the privy (bathroom) or in an emergency, you will need to be able to grab these items in a hurry.

DO NOT use a heater in a nylon tent. It is just plain stupid. Because it is dangerous! There is danger of fire and smothering fumes.

Get to know the folks you are camping next to, they are your Friendly Neighbors. You may need to call on them if you are having a problem. Let your neighbors know if you are diabetic, allergic to something, or anything else that might cause a medical emergency. While we Historical Reenactment folks pride ourselves on being capable and resourceful, if you find you are having a health situation, ask for help. We have Chirurgeons (volunteer first aid personnel) on scene who can take care of minor medical emergencies, and if it is out of their abilities, they can call the paramedics.

If any of these things sound too scary or physically impossible for you, there is no dishonor in getting a motel room to stay safe and healthy.

What do you want to do while at War?

Make a list of things you want to do or see while at War. See the Battles, Archery, Equestrian, Children's Activities, Shopping at Merchants Row. Let your Camp-mates know what you want to do, and likely they will take you to it or at least tell you how to find it. You might want to check in at Newcomers' Point, since they often have walking tours of the site to help you get familiar with what is going on. Want to take an Arts and Sciences Class? You might want to check out the list of classes and find out what you need to bring for the classes you want to take.

Nighttime Safety

The SCA is known for being a Society of Honor, and the safety of Ladies and Children is always paramount. If a lady (or any good gentle) wants to go on "walkabout" at night to visit the bardic circles or the camps of friends, it is a very good idea to have an escort. So find the company of friends before you go walking. And while it is considered good Hospitality to offer a traveler a nip of good mead to ward off the cold, care must be taken to NEVER give alcohol to anyone under 21. This is a mundane law that we MUST comply with. Do not be afraid to ask a young-looking person for ID, because you could go to jail for violating the law. And ALWAYS cooperate with the Constables (volunteer security personnel and war staff) when they ask you to bank your campfire or keep the noise down. They are giving up their fun-time to patrol and keep the War safe, and they WILL make your War miserable if you do not comply with the site rules.

Volunteering and the Rules

Our SCA events are run by each of us, for this is a participatory society. So give at least 2 hours of the War volunteering to help. Check in with Volunteer Point and find a task you will enjoy. Volunteering is also a great time to meet new folks. Lastly, before you leave for War, jump online and read all the Site Rules. Then upon arriving at the War, read the War Guidebook thoroughly in case there have been changes since you read the website rules. We are each responsible for abiding by the Rules, and helping others abide by them as well. Follow these Rules, and my hints above, and you will have a fine War!

Articles From the Archives

This article was originally published in *The Questing Quill, May A.S. XIV edition*. As we move into a new year, an article from May, regarding time, seemed appropriate.



Dear Sister: How did people in the Middle Ages tell time?

Signed Curious

Dear Curious:

Even though clocks were invented about 200 B.C., the average person of the Middle ages regulated their lives around the sound of the church bells. These bells rang, in accordance with an early Papal decree, seven times every 24 hours. The bells marked the hours of the Divine office, a service of prayer and praise, lessons, Psalms and hymns.

PRIME – The first hour (about 6 A.M.). Prime is the morning prayer and is concerned with the coming of a new day.

LAUDS – The second hour (dawn). Lauds takes its name from Psalms 148, 149 and 150 which contains the word "laudate" "praise ye.."

TERCE – The third hour (about 9 A.M.). This office usually precedes the conventional mass.

The office commemorates the descent of the Holy Ghost on the Apostles at Penticost.

SEXT - The sixth hour (about midday). This office follows the conventional mass.

NONE – The ninth hour (about 3 P.M.). This office commemorates the death of Our Lord, which took place at this hour of the day.

VESPERS – The evening prayer (about 6 P.M.). Traditionally this is the evening gathering of a community and is solemnized by an elaborate ceremony.

COMPLAINE – The last hour of the Divine Office (about 8 P.M.). This is the night prayer in the Latin church, and is concerned with sleep and waking, life and death, sin and grace.

This should give you some idea about how time was measured. I'll leave it to the Master of Science to explain about the clocks and how they work. They are far to worldly for my humble tastes. You probably noticed that all the times given are approximations... as you already know from dealing with <u>S.C.A. time</u> which is also an approximation it is very much in period.

Set down by my hand this day of Saint John Clinacus, A.S. XII.

Your servant in all things Sister Scholastica

EVENT REPORT -



In an atmosphere of education and commaradrie, Southern Collegium was held in Erda, Utah. Lord Tighearnan and Lady Ashe'el brought together eager students and talented teachers for the day. One key instructor, Baron Gwylym ab Owain Tatershal of Atenveldt, the Premier of the Order of the White Scarf in the SCA, was brought in from Atenveldt to teach fighting techniques. The comments and enthusiasm from the Populace and eager students attending his classes assured his resounding success!!!



Sir Ralf le Bigod kept his students riveted on topics of medieval warfare.



I was able to attended three classes.

I was lucky enough to participate in the beginning knitting class taught by her Excellency, and our beloved Baroness Jennet. Her class was entertaining as well as informative and I am pleased that she is going to teach another beginning, along with an intermediate knitting class at Uprising. I plan on attending so that I can learn how to keep my stitches even and remove the knitting from the needles without it coming apart!

As a extreme novice cook, I chose a class on Medieval Cooking offered by Mistress Casamira. The material was interesting, taking old recipes from the medieval cookbook, a Frome of Cury. I walked away with a new appreciation for the processes that were used to create meals in the Middle Ages. And, because Mistress Casamira was the instructor, the lecture was PUNctuated with PUNS.

The final class I attended was by purely by accident, but it was a wonderful course and I enjoyed it. I thought I was going to learn how to do hand weaving, but I ended up in Talanesea Gupta's class – Enhancing Performance with Emotion Expression Through The Use of Archetypes. I am the first to admit that this is a little out of my comfort zone as I am not a dancer, but Talanesea was so warm and encouraging, and everyone in the class assisted and aided each other and we all learned to reach

deep inside, and to value the advice of our classmates. I highly recommend her as an instructor, and if she offers other classes I would encourage you to take them.

Baroness Sheelaegh's comments and experience at Southern Collegium.

Greetings Good Gentiles,

I would like to thank Lord Tighearnan and TH Lady Ashe'el for all the hard work they put into the Collegium. I had a wonderful time and the classes were very informative. The teachers put a lot of hard work into their classes so we, as the populace, could have the opportunity to learn from them. I for one, truly applaud their time and effort. Even our youth stepped up to the plate and taught classes.

I had the opportunity to attend one of the classes taught by one of the Barony's youth - m'lady Abigail du Crauford. She taught a class on stick weaving, thought to have been brought to Europe by the Crusaders. It was a fun class and I enjoyed it very much. Abigail went above and beyond the average teaching – she provided, at no cost to us, the sticks for weaving as well as the yarn. She even went so far has to hand make needle threaders from wire and beads and included them in our kits. She was very knowledgeable about her class and presented it well. I would personally like to thank her for teaching such a wonderful class and to thank her and her grandma for providing the supplies

Vivat!! to her and all the rest of the youth that taught classes that day, you are an inspiration to this Barony and to the Kingdom.

Respectfully in Service,

Baroness Sheelaegh mac Cathail



From Mistress Jerilyn:

Greetings! I was fortunate to attend the following courses, and I would like to express my gratitude to the instructors for taking their time and sharing their experiences with us. I would recommend any of these courses to you if offered at future events.

Scroll Making 101 – Duchess Caryn explained to us what is involved with making a scroll, the calligraphy, illumination and set up. She showed us different materials, papers, inks, pens, and paints. She went over what is used in the SCA and how it differs from what was used in period. Then she told us how to find scroll assignments when we are ready to begin taking them on.

Beginning Gilding - Mistress Bethany told us several methods of gilding used on SCA scrolls. We then got a chance to try several and decide which ones we preferred. We were able to experiment with real gold leaf and ended up decorating ourselves as well as the paper. We were all excited to experiment further at home.

Research Techniques for Working With Portraiture as a Source for Clothing Design – Lady Praksedys showed us several period portraits and explained how to evaluate the picture for use in building clothing. She explained how you needed to take into consideration the time, place and background of the artist, as well as the actual context of the painting. It was a very interesting class and will help us all in our research for our persona's clothing.

Tools and Techniques of Medieval Scribes – Duchess Caryn showed us many examples of how medieval scribes worked and the tools they used in their art. She showed us some modern example of some of them made according to period examples, such as a wax tablet for drawing and several feather pens. Duchess Caryn explained about making paints with various pigments and binders and told us which ones were safe and useable in the SCA, and if they weren't, what were acceptable alternatives.



EVENT REPORT

SPRING THAW

Last month, on a beautiful Spring Day in Bliss, Idaho, the Shire of Twae Linnes held their annual Spring Thaw. It was a wonderful day and all present seemed to have a wonderful time. There was the first Kingdom Archery tournament of the season, and His Excellency Ryryd, along with his new marshal m'Lord Bran Ewebank, held a fun and challenging tournament. Baron Morgan was the artist who created the targets (I particularly enjoyed the "Smelly Englishman"). A big congratulations to m'Lord Jonathen de Spencer for winning the Archery Tournament.

Baron Bjorn and Lord John of York set up a thrown weapons range and many had a great time throwing axes, knives and other projectiles. The participants had a wonderful time and many balloons were saved as the pointed weapons did not pierce their rubber skin. Congratulations to Pasqualina ab Aqua for winning the Wounded Sheep.

A fun and challenging heavy weapons fighting event was held, where a seasoned heavy weapons fighter was teamed with a member of the youth fighters. The youth really enjoyed showing off their skills and being a part of their teams. It was great fun to watch.

A delightful feast was prepared by Svein inn Frodi. The tables were set in a fun and festive spring theme, with flowers and candy. The youth of Artemisia enjoyed "clearing" the tables.

Their Majesties, Sean and Nisa, held Court, along with Her Highness, Saige in her first appearance as Crown Princess. Their Excellencies, Bjorn and Jennet brought the friendship of Loch Salann to help celebrate.

The hospitality of Twae Linnes made everyone feel welcome. New friends were made, old friends embraced and memories made. It was, indeed, a great day.

Using the article by Baron Morgan as inspiration, here is our

ARMING SQUIRE

From: Knighthood & Chivalry Dictionary

ARMING SQUIRE: The squire whose duties included accompanying his knight to war, caring for his gear, and helping him to put on his armour. Generally a five year apprenticeship from age 13 to 18. Sometimes the arming squires would accompany their knight as part of his lance, or household unit. These duties are distinguished from the squire of the table, whose duties were generally held to dressing the knight and serving at table, functions for younger squires and sometimes by pages. There is not always a clear distinction between the two.

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From: Knighthood & Chivalry Dictionary

The youngest term of a knight's training, usually held by boys from about age seven to about age thirteen (depending on the child). During this time they served the household needs of their lord, serving the table, helping in the kitchen, possibly learning to read, helping their lord to dress, and other duties that taught them the value of following what is expected of a leader.

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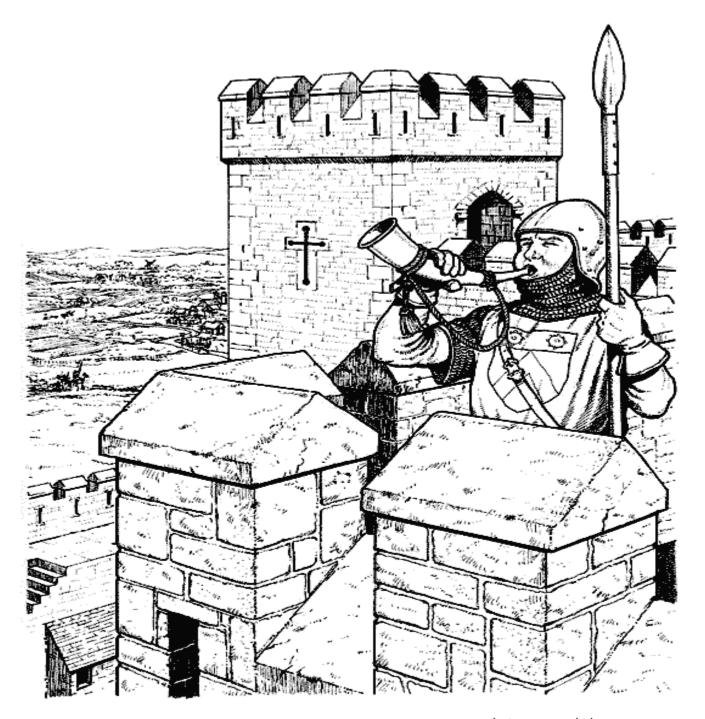
MEDIEVAL PAGE

In medieval times, a page was an attendant to a knight; an apprentice squire. A young boy served as a page for about seven years, running messages, serving, cleaning, and even learning the basics of combat, and the lord he was working for would usually treat him fairly but they went through intensive training. The lord sometimes gave the page private combat training from the age of seven until he was fourteen. At age fourteen, he could graduate to become a squire, and by age 21, perhaps a knight himself. Similar pages served in castles and great houses, fetching things and running messages for aristocrats and royalty. These boys were often the scions of other great families who were sent to learn the ways of the manorial system by observation. Their residence in the house served as a goodwill gesture between the two families involved and helped them gain political contacts for their adult

A reference to this kind of page is found in the Christmas carol Good King Wenceslaus: "Hither, page, and stand by me, if thou know'st it, telling..."

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Kids Corner



www.coloring-pages-kids.com

To the Youth of the Barony of Loch Salann (and anyone else who loves to color). This Knight is Heralding Spring and calling all to battle for Melee Madness in June. Bring your colored picture to the Chronicler (or the Youth Minister Officer) at an event in May or June and be rewarded!!

(picture from free pages of www.coloring-pages-kids.com)

Baroness Blog



schedules of the year in the church from Sister Scholastica (Mistress Leah de Spencer), you will Ages had great impact in the daily lives of the people. We are no longer dominantly an agricultural society, but if you sit and listen, you can feel the coming of spring. Because I work with behavior and diet. The renewal of pastures and plants is very rewarding and in the garden, volunteer plants are making themselves known. As I observe which annuals are coming back and inspired to make plans for the new season. In some areas, it is customary to plant peas on St. Patrick's Day. This is not the right area for that plan! The irises from the garden of HE Anna are blooming all around the house and the other new baby chicks after fighter practice last their feet, fast asleep, while the others are when they are able to leave the box.

May your spring observations and plans be as rewarding for you as mine are being for me.

Our trip to Spring Thaw provided a day of relaxation and renewal, with the many activities enjoyed by all. The coming weekend will provide a trip to Arn Hold for the Kingdom Arts and Sciences competition and there will be new ideas for us to plan our work for the summer. The entry list is amazing and will be very inspirational. The following week we will travel to the south for the

Arabian Nights. The Quest for Atlantis will be a wonderful experience at the end of the month and we hope there will be no snow this year!

I hope you are all preparing for the celebration at Melee Madness and are honing your skills for the Baronial Championships in Thrown Weapons and Archery. The Tea planned by Mistress Leah, the reigning Arts and Sciences Champion, and our wonderful Minister of Arts and Sciences, Lady Katherine, will be a delight in the midst of the chaos. I just hope we also are able to watch the youth as they loot the fallen warriors!

Safe travels to all of you. Be sure to come to greet me at events, as the populace is the joy of being your Baroness.

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Casamira's Corner The Pun is Mightier Than the Sword!

By Mistress Casamira Jawjalny, OL, OP, GA

Do YOU know what they call it when the King's youngest son *(Timmur)* is crowned instead of the King's eldest son *(The Q Man)*?

A Coronary bypass!

Guild News

Archery –

Archery Practice is held every Thursday from 6:00 PM until approximately 8:00 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 now moving to our Summer Practice Site – 8600 South 2741 West, West Jordan. Please remember that we are practicing at someone's house. Remember to keep driveway clear of all vehicles, unless loading or unloading equipment or for those needing assistance. Proceed thru gate on right side of house and continue straight back to next gate, and you will find the range located there.

Arts & Sciences –

A&S Night is held on the third Friday of each month. We will post the location on the Loch Salann website as soon as the information is available.

The Artemisian Grand Categories - B is for Blimey, this again?

This month, as promised, it's on to Basketry and the ever popular Brewing. (Yes, yes, I can hear you cheering now, you know who you are.)

Basketry strikes me as a oh, of course kind of category. We all haul our stuff around events in them, but how many of us have ever tried to make one? If anyone has tried or is knowledgeable on the topic, would you message me? I'd love to see it. We currently have one book on the topic in the lending library. It is titled Baskets from Nature's Bounty by Elizabeth Jensen.

The next category is so popular, we have an entire event to celebrate it. Brewing can be broken down into several subcategories: Liqueurs & Cordials, Beers, Wines, Cysers and Meads, Non-Alcoholic and Other. There are many talented people in the Barony with skill in this area; if you've never brewed but want to learn, please let me know. Currently in the library we have Complete Anachronist #60: Alcoholic Drinks of the Middle Ages.

That about does it for now. C you next month with Carving and Ceramics.

Yours in Service,

Lady Katherine Kelly, Minister of Arts & Sciences

Baronial Bardic Circle -

Lawrence Bacon is Baronial Bard of Loch Salann. Please contact him by email at Christopher.alderman@gmail.com at for additional information. Additional information will be provided in the Questing Quill and on the Baronial Website as it becomes available.

Brewer's Guild -

The Brewer's Guild meets quarterly to make Potent Potables. For more information please contact Baron Ryryd ap Gwerstan, rcfaevans@comcast.net 801-706-0075 (no calls after 9, please).

Cook's Guild -

The monthly cook's guild was held the 4th Tuesday of April. Lady Aingeal, THL Vogg, Mistress Casamira, Baroness Sheelaegh, Lady Gyszel and Winifred Whitehorse prepared and enjoyed 6 dishes at Vogg's castle. Mistress Casamira demonstrated how to created Powdered Douce from various rare and exotic spices, some of which are expensive and difficult to obtain.

All recipes, with the exception of one came from a Frome of Cury, which was translated and a modern recipe interpretation provide by Gode Cookery. We had a great time cooking, and most of the dishes were successful. It was discovered, however, that turnips which are not cooked properly turn out very bitter. The two favorite recipes were the Pork Meatballs and the Brie Pie. Those two recipes are listed below

SAWGE Y FARCET

ORIGINAL RECIPE (from Forme of Cury):

Take sawge. grynde it and temper it up with ayrenn. a saweyster & kerf hym to gobettes and cast it in a possynet. and do erwi grece & frye it. Whan it is fryed ynowz cast erto sawge with ayren make it not to harde. cast erto powdour douce, messe it forth. If it be in Ymber day; take sauge butter & ayrenn. and lat it stonde wel by e sause, & serue it forth.

TRANSLATION: Take sage. Grind it and temper it up with eggs. A 'sawester' and cut it to gobettes and cast it into a posset. And do herewith greece and fry it. When it is fried ynowz cast thereto sage with eggs and make it not hard. Cast thereto powder douce and serve it forth. If it be an Ember day take sage butter and eggs and let it become thick with the sauce, and serve it forth.

MODERN RECIPE:

ı lb ground pork 1/2 tsp savory

1/2 tsp ground black pepper 1/2 tsp ground cloves

1/4 tsp ground saffron 3 eggs

1 cup breadcrumbs 1 cup pine nuts

1/4 tsp salt 2 eggs

1 tbsp (fresh) sage, finely-chopped

Method: Mix together the pork, 4 eggs and breadcrumbs. Add the savory, pepper, cloves, saffron, pine nuts and salt. Mix thoroughly with your hands until well blended. Form the mixture into small balls, about an inch in diameter. Beat the remaining 2 eggs well, dip the meatballs into these and sprinkle the sage over the top. Fry the meatballs in oil until golden brown and serve either hot or cold.

TART DE BRY ORIGINAL RECIPE (from Forme of Cury):

174. Tart de Bry. Take a crust ynche depe in a trap. Take yolkes of ayren rawe & chese ruayn & medle it & þe yolkes togyder. Do þerto powdour gynger, sugur, safroun, and salt. Do it in a trap; bake it & serue it forth.

TRANSLATION: Tartee. Make a pie crust an inch deep in a pie pan. Take yolks of eggs raw & Autumn cheese & mix it & the yolks together. Do there-to powder ginger, sugar, saffron, and salt. Do it in a pie shell; bake it & serve it forth. (*Hieatt, Constance B. and Sharon Butler. Curye on Inglish: English Culinary Manuscripts of the Fourteenth-Century (Including the Forme of Cury). New York: for The Early English Text Society by the Oxford University Press, 1985.)*

The original recipe implies that Brie cheese is to be used; however, "chese ruayn," also called "rewen" or "rowen" in other Medieval sources, was Autumn cheese, made after the cattle had fed on the second growth.

This was apparently a semi-soft cheese, but not as soft as a ripe modern Brie: one period recipe says to grate it. It appears to be the same cheese called fromage de gaing in France.

MODERN RECIPE

Pie Crust
6 egg
1 lb Brie
Ginger (powder)
Sugar
6 threads Saffron
pinch Salt

DIRECTIONS: Beat the eggs and saffron together and leave to infuse for about 5 or so minutes. Cut brie into small pieces. Add brie and remaining ingredients and mix. The final consistency should be slightly runny. Place this filling in a pie shell and bake at 350 for about 25 minutes until the pastry is golden brown and the filling has set. Allow to cool and serve.

Fighter Practice -

Fighter Practice is held every Wednesday from 7:00 p.m. until approximately 9:00 p.m. Starting May 2, 2012, practice will be moving to the outdoor location at Sugarhouse Park. Come watch the heavy weapons and rapier fighters.

Gardening Guild -

The Guild plans to meet (roughly) on the Third Sunday of the month. Contact Mistress Jerilyn of Vert Silva (Jeri Foster) jofvertsilva@yahoo.com for more information.

Middle Eastern Dance and Drummer's Guild -

Contact Lady Zafirah: at zemlar@yahoo.com for information and location regarding meeting locations and practice.

Musician's Guild-

Join Mistress Anne de Junius and the Loch Salann Musician's Guild as they explore the music and instruments of the Middle Ages. Meetings are held on Thursdays from 7:15 to 9:00 PM at the abode of Her Excellency Mistress Mary Amanda. The group has had an influx of new musicians and welcomes all musicians who would like to join the group. Members of the guild also perform regularly at Baronial and Kingdom functions held in the Barony.

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 on the Second Tuesday and Fourth Thursday of the Month. Contact HL Bethoc (801-322-4984), email: leishmanio@msn.com for more information.

Anyone interested in the Needleworker's Guild may visit our blog at: http://blsng.wordpress.com/

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