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becoming an officer or deputy for the Barony.

Dates To Remember

Every Wednesday: Fighters' Practice. Location: Under the Washington – Jefferson Street Bridge in Eugene. 7 – 9 pm.

Every Sunday and Thursday (EXCEPT for May 21st and 24th): Outdoor Archery Practice, 2:00 - 3:30 pm. Hosted by Sæthrð Seolferlocc. Location: 3130 Summit Sky Blvd, Eugene. Take your best route to Bailey Hill Road. Turn on Warren; take the first right to continue on Warren. Take the second right to Summit Sky Blvd. We are the green and yellow house across from Los Altos Lane. Please park in the driveway and not on the street. Call 541-505-7589 if the weather looks "iffy." Sæþrð will marshal Royal Rounds, IKACs, and provide instruction. Some loaner recurve and longbow gear is available.

July 13th – Archers' Repair Clinic, 7:00 – 8:30 pm. Hosted by Sæthrð Seolferlocc. Location: 3130 Summit Sky Blvd., Eugene. This is a monthly meeting to reglue nocks and points, tidy up string servings, and refletch your arrows. Bring your own nocks, points, and fletching tape. A torch, nock shaper, spine tester, right wing clamp and straight clamp are available to borrow. \$1 donation for using glue. Call "Sue's cell" if you have questions, at 359-6119. See Archery Practice above for directions.

July 14th – Costuming Night, 6:30 – 9:00 pm. Hosted by Alysandre Weldon d'Ath. Location: 84900 S. Willamette St., Eugene. This is a general sewing night with an emphasis on researching and recreating period clothing. Find your best way to Willamette St. in Eugene and head South, when Willamette and Donald split off of each other at 32nd St, keep right to stay on Willamette, then continue over a couple large hills and out of the city. We are at the southern end of Willamette St, about 1 mile past Spencer Butte Park. As you near the end of Willamette St, you will see a Slow sign followed by a "Left Turn 30 MPH" sign. Our driveway is the paved driveway on the right, IMMEDIATELY after the Left Turn sign. We are the last house on the driveway, past the gate that says MOORE on it.

July 25th – Scribal Social Day, 10:00 am – 6:00 pm. Location: 6475 NW Sisters Place, Corvallis. Come and join me for a day of painting charters, random A&S projects and possibly heraldic commentary/consulting! Lots of fun things to do, and I will feed you lunch and dinner. Come hungry and ready to do awesome stuff :) Directions: From I-5 N, take exit 228 and head towards Corvallis. Turn right on 3rd Street. Follow 3rd street straight out of downtown towards Lewisburg (it will turn into Hwy 99W, so if you want to come to Corvallis on 99W that will work too). Turn left onto Lewisburg Avenue, and then right onto Mountain View Drive just past the fire station. Turn left onto Burgundy Drive. Wind your way up the hill and then turn right onto Sisters Place. Mine is the last house on the right. You can park anywhere in the driveway or around the cul-de-sac. Ring the bell when you arrive, I likely won't hear anyone knocking.

July 27th - Baronial Council, 7 – 9 pm. Location: Sizzler, 1010 Postal Way (near Gateway Mall), Springfield.

July 30th – Thingmakers' Night, 7 – 10 pm. Hosted by Magistrix Marian Staarveld. Location: 2328 Roosevelt Blvd., Eugene. Come work on nifty craft projects, and possibly some Regalia!

Upcoming Events

An Tir / West War

Shire of Tymberhavene (*Gold Beach, OR*)

July 2-5, 2009

Come meet friendly foes on the battlefield, learn new skills, or just spend time relaxing with friends and family. An Tir / West War truly has something for everyone! There will be challenging war scenarios, classes, and children's activities, as well as cooking and other Arts and Sciences demonstrations. All this plus the beautiful Pacific Ocean will be waiting for you at An Tir / West War!

Pre-registration is highly encouraged. All Pre-registration forms must be postmarked by June 15th, 2009. Postmarked envelopes dated after June 15 may be returned to the sender. See event website: <http://www.currentmiddleages.org/antirwestwar/> .

Pre-registration will begin on April 1, 2009. All who pre-register for the event will receive a limited edition An Tir / West War tee-shirt. These will not be available for sale other than be pre-registration!

Merchants: Please use the Merchant Application form found in the *The Crier*. Deadline is May 1, 2009. If you have questions, contact Mistress Gwen the Potter; dragonfirepottery AT yahoo DOT com; 360-698-5926 .

Camping reservations for large encampments are encouraged. Contact Master Cedric Wlfraven; wlfraven AT comcast DOT net .

The site opens on Thursday, July 2nd, 2009 at Noon for all attendees. The site closes at 5 pm on Sunday, July 5.

Gate fees are: US\$15 for adult (18+) members; \$7.50 for Youths (9-17); Free for Children (8 and under); \$45 Family Cap. \$3 NMS applies to all adult non members. Make checks payable to: "SCA, Inc. -- Kingdom of An Tir".

There is potable water in containers on site, but no running water or electrical power. RVs will be parked in the parking lot.

THERE WILL BE A SHOWER TRUCK! To alleviate the cost of such a marvelous service, tokens will be available for purchase at the gate.

Site Address: Lazy J Moore Ranch, 96029 Euchre Creek, Gold Beach, OR. Beware of congestion at the turn off from Hwy 101.

Directions from the North: Make your best way to Port Orford, Oregon. Head south from Port Orford on Hwy 101, approx. 16 miles. Last milepost seen is 316. You turn left onto Ophir road just before you would reach milepost 317. Then turn left onto Euchre Creek road. Follow road to site, approx. 1 mile. Directions from the South: Make your best way to Gold Beach, Oregon. Head north out of Gold Beach on Hwy 101 for approx. 11 miles to milepost 317. Turn right onto Ophir road. Turn left onto Euchre Creek road. Follow road to site, approx. 1 mile.

July Coronation
Barony of Three Mountains (Estacada, OR)
July 17 -19, 2009

The Barony of Three Mountains welcomes all to witness the Coronation of Their Royal Highnesses, the Heirs to King Vik and Queen Inga as They take Their rightful place upon the Sable Throne of An Tir.

July Coronation also bears witness to the challenge required of all those who would compete to become the next Champion of An Tir.

Additional activities over the weekend will include an Arts and Sciences Village, other fighting activities, as well as the many meetings usually associated with a Coronation event. Archery will not be available at the event.

The site opens at 1 pm on Friday July 17th and closes at 3 pm on Sunday, July 19th. Gate fees are US\$15 for adult members (NMS applies to all adult nonmembers), US\$10 for those 12-17, US\$5 for children 6-11 and 5 or younger are free. There will be a \$48 family cap (Related/common law! No SCA households or roommates!) Make checks payable to "SCA, Inc., -- Kingdom of An Tir".

Parking Policy: Please move your vehicle to the designated parking area as soon as it is unloaded. Do not park in unauthorized areas. You WILL be towed! Please view the complete parking policy on the July Coronation website: <http://www.currentmiddleages.org/coronation/>

Rvs: There are no RV accommodations at this end of the park.

Merchant Policy: Due to the layout of the site we regret that there will be a very limited amount of space available for merchanting at July Coronation. A \$10 fee will be asked in addition to your gate fee. Merchants MUST preregister, form available on the website. The merchant registration must be postmarked by June 1st or until all spots are filled. No running water or electrical power is available on site. Merchant'crat: Marco Marco_polo_1969 AT hotmail DOT com.

Site Address: Milo Melver State Park, Estacada, Oregon, 24101 S. Entrance Road.

From the South: Take I-5 to I-205. Take the Clackamas/Estacada Exit (12A). Follow 212 toward Mt. Hood. There will be a turn to the right onto 224. (A big Milo Melver State Park sign is there.) In the town of Carver cross the bridge (on your right) then turn left onto Springwater Road for 9 miles. Park Entrance will be on your left. Follow th SCA signs to the event site.

From the North: Take I-5 to I-205 S (signs for I-205/WA-14/Salem/I-84) Entering Oregon: Take the Clackamas/ Estacada Exit (12A). Follow 212 toward Mt. Hood. There will be a turn to the right onto 224. (A big Milo Melver State Park sign will be there.) In the town of Carver cross the bridge (on your right) then turn left onto Springwater Road for 9 miles. Park Entrance will be on your left. Follow the SCA signs to the event site.

Autocrat: Mistress Attia Prima (Amanda Grayson) 214 NE Russet St., Portland, OR 97211; 503-984-7277; mandy.grayson AT gmail DOT com . No calls after 9:00 pm.

Briaroak Bash & Summits Archery Championship
Shire of Briaroak (*Winston, OR*)
August 7-9, 2009

Greetings to the Knowne World:

The Principality of the Summits and The Shire of Briaroak invite you to the Summits archery Championship and Briaroak's Bash. Come and compete for the Captain of the bow, Briaroak's Defender and Briaroak's Arts & Sciences Championship. There will be a Secondary prize tournament, youth Scavenger hunt and classes for those who wish to learn. As with every year we will have potluck feast, their highnesses will hold court and there will be a mid-eastern style trading blanket (Bards, Drummers and Dancers are Welcome). We have several merchants already confirmed and more are welcome (Please pre register as space is limited; forms are available at the event website: <http://briaroak.antir.sca.org/bash>). We have a couple of confirmed classes and are looking for a couple more (Please contact the autocrat for more information).

Event Information

When: August 7th -- 9th Site opens at noon and closes at 2 pm.

Who: The Principality of the Summits and the Shire of Briaroak

Where: Riverbend Park 151 Thompson Blvd, Winston, Oregon 97496.

Autocrat: Lord Therik Merryman (Zachariah Beesley); 1440 South Grove Lane Court, Sutherlin, Oregon 97479; (541) 743-1037; therik999 AT yahoo DOT com .

Site Fee: Adults \$12, Youths 10-17 \$7, Children 10 and under Free. Family Cap \$40 (Family consists of 2 adults and any number of directly related children; Family is as defined by mundane law, not SCA family or Houses). A \$3 non member surcharge will be charged for every Non Member Adult. Checks must be made payable to "SCA, Inc. -- Shire of Briaroak".

Directions to Site:

From I5 going south take exti 119, follow about 3.5 miles through Winston. Turn left on Thompson Blvd and Site will be on right.

From I5 going north: Take exit 113, turn left under the freeway and go to the Stop sign and turn Right. Cross the river and turn right at the next stop sign. Follow Highway 99 north through Dillard Oregon and once you cross the bridge into Winston turn right onto Thompson Blvd. and site will be on right.

Long And Short Of It
Barony of Terra Pomaria (*Monmouth, OR*)
August 15, 2009

Come one and all, simply enjoy a day event instead of spending an entire weekend this year – this is a day tourney! Bring a table, chairs and a potluck contribution for 15 hungry people. Mundane names A-H side dish, I-P main dish, Q-Z dessert. The barony provides breads, cheese & juice. Potluck to begin at 5 pm, court to start as soon as all are seated. Lists open at 10:30 am and close promptly at 11:30 am. The main tournament will determine the 22nd Baronial Defender of Terra Pomaria. Tournament style will be three weapons: sword and shield, great sword, and mace – double elimination. There shall be separate prizes for overall winners of each competition. Have your shields ready for the Lists peg boards. The barony will be selling shield blanks as a fundraiser at this event. You may order shield blanks and have them painted ahead of time by contacting Maccus

of Elgin (See populace contacts on www.terrapomaria.antir.sca.org). The Baroness is holding a helm auction. The fighters who participate place their helms in a line, the auctioneer then sells the skills of the owner of the helm to the highest bidder. (So, no you are not selling your helm only your skill as a fighter.) The fighters then compete in a heavy tournament to be determined. Whoever bid on the helm of th fighter who wins will receive a prize. The 3rd Youth Championship of Terra Pomaria will also take place containing elements of bardic, arts and science, heraldry, and combat to determine the new Youth Champion of the barony. Rapier competition is tentative based on time and participants.

Site Info: Name: Sarah Helmick State Park, 10300 Helmick Rd., Monmouth, OR 97361. Site fee: \$10.00 each 13 and older, youths 5-12 \$5.00, babes 4 & under free. Family cap \$35.00, \$3.00 non-member surcharge. Make checks payable to "SCA, Inc. -- Barony of Terra Pomaria". Site is open from 9 am until dusk (about 8 pm).

Directions to Site: From I-5 N or S take exit #256 Market St., head west on Market for 1.5 miles, turn left onto Summer St. for 5 mi., then take a right onto Marion St. and follow Marion St. over the bridge toward Dallas. Go for 16.5 miles on Highway 22, Exit on Hwy 99W driving through Rickreall and Monmouth going South about 10 miles. Turn right onto Old Fort Rd., go to the stop sign and turn let into Helmick State Park.

Autocrat: Jehan-Jacques Lavigne, 2055 Childs Ave NE, Salem, OR 97301; brigbro76 AT comcast DOT net .

Sport Of Kings

Barony of Three Mountains (*Estacada, OR*)

August 20-23, 2009

"Sport of Kings: Academy of Armored Combat" is a four day learning event presenting to students of all interests and backgrounds an opportunity to learn about all the activities that support and glorify the tournament, and an opportunity for aspirants to martial skill to learn from accomplished practitioners. Pre-registration with payment only required for those taking classes. See our web-page for more on class content and class sign-up at: <http://www.sportofkings.org> .

Autocrat: Mastarinna Ula Brennasdottir (Elizabeth Paulsen) 33325 Meadowbrook Dr., Scappoose, OR 97056; autocrat AT sportofkings DOT org .

Marketplace Steward: HL Talia Soranzo da Chioggia, merchants AT sportofkings DOT org .

Site Info: Milo McIver State Park, 24101 S. Entrance Rd., Estacada, OR 97023. Discreetly wet (period containers only). Permanent biffs, potable water available. Fast moving river on site. Off the ground campfires, open flame (torches, candles) okay subject to fire hazard conditions at the time. Mundane leash laws apply. See FAQ on website for information about RV restrictions.

This is a camping event. Site opens at 4 PM Thursday and closes at 4 PM Sunday.

Site Fee: \$15.00 adult member, \$8.00 youth (5 to 17), under 5 free. Day fee: \$10.00 adult member, \$6.00 youth (5-17), under 5 free. \$3 non-member surcharge applies. Class fee: \$10.00 total for any number of classes. Make checks payable to: "SCA, Inc. -- Barony of Three Mountains".

Directions: From north or south travel to Portland, Oregon and take I-205. Take the Clackamas/Estacada Hwy 212 Exit. Follow Hwy 212 toward Mt. Hood. Take a Right turn onto Hwy 224. In the town of Carver turn right, crossing a bridge, and then turn left onto Springwater Road. Travel 9 miles to park entrance (on left). See driving map on website.

Egils Debrief Meeting
June 8th, 2009 / A.S. XLIII
Sizzler
1010 Postal Way, Springfield

Ceridwen started off by apologizing for Rachel's absence – circumstances simply could not allow her to be present tonight. She promised to be in contact with Rachel and to take measures to ensure that people get reimbursed.

Tadhg stated that he had lots of fun at Egils – it was great to be dry at the event, and to be wet only from the sweat of battle. This was the first Egils that he's gotten to fight at and he enjoyed it a lot. He has gotten emails from attendees praising how well organized and fun the event was.

Morrghan also had had a marvelous time, and expressed much thanks to the staff of Egils, without which none of this could have been possible. She emphasized that Their Excellencies have received numerous emails from many attendees of the event that have been favorable in their reviews. She finished by making two announcements:

Their Excellencies are expecting again! Congratulations!
This day was Ariana's birthday! Hurray!

Ariana felt that the weather had made a huge difference in making Egils about the most perfect Egils ever. Her staff was incredible, and she appreciated all who had set their hands to helping Egils come about. She definitely could not have done it alone.

Final attendance was calculated at 718 people. She did not have numbers on how many of those were comped. She also hadn't had a chance to calculate the event's profit, but she could tell us that the event had pulled in \$11,000 of revenue. Many areas came in under budget.

Many people approached her during the event to tell her that they were having a good time. She is willing to autocrat Egils again – but not next year.

Alysaundre reported on the Artisans' Village. It was significantly larger this year, and featured woodworking, a tailor shop, spinning and weaving, and dying and felting. He had been unable to get people to demonstrate period cooking or blacksmithing, though by lucky coincidence his woodworking display was located close to His Excellency Ulfheddin's booth, and the former Baron is himself a font of much knowledge. The layout worked out better this year and was more noticeable. All in all, the Artisans' Village has lots of room to grow. It cost nothing to put on, as it was all based on the donations and on people who had volunteered to work in public on projects that they already had going. He would like to see more demos and perhaps schedule some activities, but overall the organic structure of the Village worked out fine. He is willing to head up the Artisan's Village at next Egils, provided that it would be his only duty.

Ariana reported that Fire & Ice was a huge success, the Scouts having made back their costs by the end of the first day. Lots of them (and their parents) expressed an interest in the SCA as a result of their

time at Egils.

Ariana said that her only real complaint was that she would like to see Sunday's activities be more centralized. Marian suggested moving them to the field that had been used for football. Rose observed that lots of the activities were held around the Pied Piper's tent, so lots of people assumed that the events were only for children.

Marian reported that participation in the Three Pillars Competition was slightly over double in all categories, save for the women's martial categories. She is thinking that they may drop the wrestling and substitute rapier as a category.

Ruth said that she had actually liked seeing activities that aren't geared toward carded fighters, and would like to have the option for more such activities in the future.

Raven suggested that a foot race might be possible. William Cristofore said that we would have to take care if we held one because of the uneven ground on site.

Raven reported that 5 people entered the overall competition (up from 2 last year) and 6 entered the bardic (up from 1 last year). She had not seen a whole lot of Service entrants besides those going for overall. Future shift heads should be encouraged to remind their helpers to turn in their own hours (as all hours/entry forms only count toward the person turning them in, anyway).

Marian suggested that day and night hours could be split into separate categories. Raven said they could definitely consider it and it would be very likely.

The organizers spent \$988.40 on the competition; this amount included prizes for rapier and croquet and 90% of the prizes for the other categories. Adiantum's various artisans did an awesome job of providing prizes and other beautiful works for them to give out.

Raven felt that holding the double elimination tournament helped to eliminate the scheduling bottleneck that had been seen last year.

Tadhg said that he would like to see improvement next year on our site copy and coverage. He would like for us to advertise with Artemesia and the West, and to have our advertising copy be more detailed in extolling the various wonderful features of our event. Marian cautioned that the event is growing, as it is – we don't need to return to the days of having 3,000 people at our events. For one thing, we simply don't have the worker base for that. Tadhg admitted that seeing better site copy was partly an ego thing for him, but he would basically just like to see the event extolled as much as possible, as he knows that we can put on a great event.

Ariana admitted that there had been miscommunication which had hindered some of the Crier copy from getting submitted on time. In the future, she would recommend that any major staff heads not be from outside the immediate area of the event, as any increase in distance makes communicating and getting together to proofread things more difficult.

Johanna inquired as to whether we could use electronic registration in the future. It is possible; we simply didn't have anyone skilled in setting that up on our staff this year. Ceridwen noted that there is a

site for accepting electronic payments that is used by Artemesia, that is accepted for use by the SCA, Inc.

Ariana discussed Publicity further. This year, it had been split up into 3 sections: Crier/news copy, email lists, and the webpage. Angharad had sent out little notices to the various email lists every other week or so prior to the event. Many staff heads had been given the ability to log into the webpage and edit their sections as information became available, and this worked very well.

Marian wondered whether it is still possible for us to turn in reservations for things like water and biffies when we send our payment for this year. She realized that things may have changed, but such used to be the practice way back when, and it really helped the incoming autocrats. Alysandre responded that nowadays lots of companies don't do reservations that far in advance, and with the ever-changing economy they are unwilling to lock in bids for a year from now.

Ariana observed that our biffie coverage for the site seemed to be just right. Saethryth requested that we have glowsticks inside the biffies next year, though! The glow in the dark tape that we had planned to use didn't materialize.

Discussion then turned to setup on the site. Alysandre stated that lots of general supplies had gotten dumped in the middle of the meadow, which ended up impeding the distribution of it. Angharad opined that the Quartermaster should be in charge of such supplies during the event. Iurii responded that he had been willing to do so, but hadn't gotten adequate communication about it. The duties of various jobs don't always get communicated very well. Ariana didn't have as many volunteers as she thought she'd have, and some things got overlooked as a result.

Iurii is willing to be Quartermaster next year, and would like to set up some kind of checklist system to streamline setup and the distribution of supplies.

William Cristofore pointed out that Yahoo, which hosts our online group, is able to host files, so if Iurii were to draw up forms he could always upload them to those files. Morrghan also observed that anyone who uses Gmail can use Google Docs to create lists and customize them as necessary. Several other people agreed that this function was very useful.

Alysandre suggested that department heads be responsible for setting up their own pavilions. This does not necessarily mean setting it up themselves – they are welcome to delegate. But at the very least, they should be responsible for getting their own help to set up their areas. Ceridwen conceded that we've been getting really lax of late, and that incoming officers and staff aren't getting the full information on what duties are expected of them.

Rose said that her household had wanted to help set up, but the lack of organization impeded their ability to do that.

Morrghan would really like to see a handbook drawn up on How To Run Egils. She's been wanting this sort of thing for a long time.

Her Excellency also observed that there is very little direction for volunteers on Thursday, and strongly suggested that any setup of personal campsites be restricted until after 6 pm. If you are on site earlier

than that, you are expected to help set up the Baronial properties.

Marian stated that we could definitely use a photographic guide to putting up the various pavilions, for each department head. Alysandre is willing to teach people how to set up the pavilions.

She also observed that at Egils, Big Green is the Baron and Baroness' pavilion, so Their Excellencies should feel empowered in controlling the setup and layout of that area. Their Excellencies spend the vast majority of every day there, so it's only appropriate that They have control over that space.

Egils was pretty peaceful, but Ariana did get a report of one person suffering a broken window on their car. As a result, Sugary Biscuits has volunteered to do fire watch and a parking lot patrol next year.

Tadhg remembered that we did used to hire mundane security to patrol the parking lot – that was a long time ago.

Marian wondered how feasible it would be to set up cameras to monitor the entrance to the lot. Ceridwen did not think it would be possible. For one thing, how would we secure it? Besides, there is not just one way in and out of the lot; there are several different footpaths that lead onto site. She's not sure, but there may also be privacy issues as far as that is concerned.

Ariana and Rose both suggested that publicizing that fire watch would equal night hours for the Three Pillars might encourage more people to volunteer.

Ceridwen was curious as to how things had worked out with our Volunteer Coordinator, Anna. Ariana said that Anna was on site for the duration of the event, but she didn't have the mobility to go roust volunteers, and didn't have adequate communication to tell people who reported to her on what they could do to help. Rose said that she had stopped by the pavilion to volunteer, but Anna didn't know of any tasks that were available for her to do. Ceridwen said that this was a situation where communication had just broken down. Ciara said that, having served as Volunteer Coordinator before, she would ask people to please draw up a list of the numbers of people that you will need and communicate it! Morrghan stated that this is a prime example of where having an Egils Handbook would really help out. Forrest wondered if creating signage for that post would help increase its visibility.

Raven observed that Fearga and Karis have started a handbook of sorts, but using the An Tir Wiki might also be a really good way to go about making a guide to running the event.

Marian asked what might be the most efficient way to get paperwork to Rachel. Ceridwen advised her to hold on to it for now; she will be in touch with Rachel soon.

Brother Al reported on merchantocrating. The merchants all showed up at different times for setup, and got settled in fine. All did well, sales-wise. They enjoyed the layout of Merchants' Row. He is willing to serve as Merchantocrat next year, as is Brother Bob.

Ariana said that a merchant had expressed frustration to her because a merchant that was in a more 'prime' spot had packed up early and left; they didn't feel that such spots should be given to people who leave early. Ariana said she had told the individual that there are many reasons why people must leave

early, and the departure of people from site is not something that the Autocrat can control.

William Cristofore reported on the Thrown Weapons events. There were 40-45 participants. In the future he would like to see a volunteer keep score, and free up the marshal to do other things. Two of the spear throwing targets and all of the spear handles will need to be replaced before next Egils.

Saethryth reported that there had been 75 archers. There were 23 Royal Rounds that were submitted. The larger area really helped. She may set up a separate instruction range next year if there is a need for it. Ariana said that we may need to double check with the neighbors of the site as to how comfortable they are about the location of the archery range.

Ariana also noted that the rope walkway leading to the archery range was fantastic and welcoming.

Johanna stated that she won't do marshalling for archery again if she can't camp right by the range. She would really like to see the range kept open as long as possible for people throughout the event.

Ceridwen passed on a report from Aaron about the heavy fighting. There were no major problems or injuries. He had adequate volunteers and was able to set up the eric well. The tournament on Saturday started slowly; there were 2 twenty-minute rounds, and then the Novice tournament was held. Everyone had fun. Sunday was short thanks to the Zombie Tourney, which he didn't have to marshal! A couple of 'chivalry issues' arose, but they have been addressed and will be dealt with appropriately. And, he has found a deputy!

Telisia reported that there were only minor injuries; blisters, splinters, and the like.

Ceridwen stated that the chiurgeons really did not like our radios, as there was no secure channel for them, and if they weren't within sight of each other, they could not communicate. The radios are not user-friendly, and she highly recommends a training session on their use before next Egils if we choose to keep using them.

Alysaundre suggested that now is the time to pounce on a new trailer for the Barony; he's seen a 12-foot long, 6-foot wide trailer in Salem for \$2400. Trailers are stock that are not moving right now, and the dealers are eager to get rid of them. He's willing to park one on his property to store it.

Alys inquired as to whether we have insurance for property stored in trailers. Our main insurance currently is that the storage unit strictly controls access to the unit...but this also impedes our access to our own property.

Alysaundre also feels that we're paying for heated storage that we don't necessarily need.

Ariana and Ciara discussed classes. Rhiannon had reported that classes were very poorly attended this year, and she is considering a revamp of the structure of it all. Ariana admitted that the lack of communication from Rhiannon was frustrating. Johanna observed that it was hard to find just where the classes were being held.

Ariana reported that the Bardic was very well attended, and the entries were of high quality.

Morrghan reported that Maeve wants the job of Campmaster next year. There was an issue with people camping in the temporary parking zone.

Ariana reported that Sunday's activities were mostly attended by kids. The organizer was very good at coming up with ideas and running things; again, Ariana's only issue was that the organizer was not local and therefore it was hard to get ahold of her at times.

Alys presented the results for Gold Key. Gold Key serviced 42 adults and 31 children, and collected \$42 in fees. \$2.00 of donations were given, and another \$2.00 was received in compensation for a lost cloak pin. The yard sale brought in \$224; sales of old tokens brought in \$55.50. She sold a 50-cent pamphlet and received \$54 for 3 Known World Handbooks. All in all, she received \$380, \$268 of which was pure profit. She anticipates spending \$10 on detergent the next time she goes to Costco. She got lots of clothing donations. She also was given a tent stake that, she was told, belongs to 'Elspeth from Fearga's camp', and she wants to pass it on to its rightful owner.

As the meeting closed, Raven reminded everyone that 12th Night Coloring Books are available for \$8.00 each!

The following people were present:

Tadhg O' Murchadha the Wanderer (Tadhg Simmons) – Baron of Adiantum

Morrghan O' Siodhachain (Sara Simmons) – Baroness of Adiantum

Ceridwen ferch Morgan (Melissa Howerton) – Seneschal of Adiantum

Brother Bob

Chiara Calandra

Angharad Bach

Alysaundre Weldon d'Ath

Iurii Levchenich

Rose Atherton

Ariana Aislinn

Roderick the Rhetorical

William Cristofore of Devonshire

Raven Qara Ton

Marian Staarveld

Saethryth Seolferloc

Johanna Trewpeny

Telisia Brutusdottir

Forrest Woodward

Alys Meghan Cattwyn

Algar MacBlane (Brother Al)

Aesa Sigtryggsdottir

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June Council Minutes
June 22nd, 2009 / A.S. XLIII
Sizzler
1010 Postal Way, Springfield

His Excellency Tadhg began by wishing us all a good evening. It has been a busy month for Their Excellencies. They went to War of the Trees and Investiture, and at the latter they witnessed Elizabeth getting her Arts Grail and Ciara de Grimordt being inducted into the Order of the Griffin's Wing. He would love to see everyone (especially fighters) at An Tir/West War. All in all, we are pretty darned spiffy. Oh, and he is reintroducing the Word of the Month, which is: Largesse.

Her Excellency Morrghan thanked everyone for coming. They have been traveling all over the Summits, and it is always a treat to see others from the Barony at events. Seeing others get recognized for their work always makes them very happy. Their Excellencies both gave huge thanks to those who stepped up to apply for the Principality Exchequer position, which was awarded to our own Andrew Crowe.

Ceridwen reported that our Chatelaine has had to step down from the position, and therefore the office is now open. Gabriella and Johanna are both interested and are welcome to apply for the position next month. The Exchequer could not attend tonight because she is home with her new (and adorable) baby. Ceridwen will make arrangements with Rachel to get checks to people. Lastly, we are slated to be hosting March Coronation in 2010 – we have one person who is interested in autocratting, but no concrete bid. She would LOVE to see some bids for that and for Egils.

Speaking of bids, Ceridwen changed the structure of Council around a little bit tonight to introduce one item of new business, a bid for a Baronial Revel on behalf of Maeve Cunningham and Baroness Katerine. This event would allow Their Excellencies to hold Sargentry Trials. They are thinking of renting Katerine's father's property in Creswell for a one-day event with a potluck dinner at the end. The property rents for \$200 per day, and one biffy will be needed, which will cost less than \$200. Additional costs are \$20 for site booklets, \$30 for mowing the lawn at the property, and possibly \$50 to cover proof of insurance. At most, costs will total \$500. Revels like this don't usually make very much money, but the organizers are confident that the event will pay for itself. They propose charging \$7 for adults and \$5 for pets, with a projected attendance of 50 people plus 10 pets, which would equal a profit of \$90. It won't make much money, but it will get the Trials done. Tadhg suggested hosting the Heavy Defender competition there as well to get fighters out there. They could possibly also do Archery Championships. They are looking at September 12th as the date.

Ariana asked if we would be doing Bardic Championships at the event as well. Morrghan answered that she was thinking it would be more appropriate for Midwinters.

Elizabeth expressed worry about selling the Bardic and A & S Champions short, as some of their terms will be shorter than others. Morrghan sympathized, but feels that the length of tenure of Champions is left to the luck of the draw sometimes; she is pretty sure that all small branches deal with this sort of issue, as our schedule can't be even like a Principality's schedule is.

Marian moved to vote to let Katerine and Maeve work with Their Excellencies to put on the event of

Their choosing, with the Sargeants' Trials as a priority, and to give them \$450 to do so.

The vote was taken and the proposal was unanimously approved.

Old Business:

Marian reported on her work this month with Regalia. She would like to start a monthly night where we work specifically on things for Regalia, and will post to the e-list when she can get that started. She has not made any progress on Regalia lately.

Johanna asked for a definition of Regalia; this is the spiffy decorations and objects of office which the Barony owns and keeps.

Ariana gave a summary of Egils. She had some numbers but these weren't complete, as she hadn't been able to touch bases with Rachel about final figures. We spent \$8,000 of our \$10,500 budget. She estimates that our profit is around \$3,800, but this is not a definite number. Still, she feels it is safe to say that the event made a profit.

Marian has signed the contract with the hotel for 12th Night and has sent a copy of that to the Kingdom Seneschal. She has started buying fabric and has taken pictures to put on the website. Registration will go live on January 1st. The first set of windows is getting painted, and she is thinking about what to use for tokens – she really liked the useful nature of the Egils tokens and would like to come up with something that is both useful and lion-shaped...and cheap to make!

New Business:

Angharad asked when Ceridwen would be accepting bids for Midwinters. Ceridwen is happy to hear bids anytime. Alysandre said that he and Angharad were willing to host the event, but they won't be at next month's council; Ceridwen asked them to write up a detailed bid, and she will present it on their behalf.

The basic theme for the proposed bid will be another Artisans' Social. She still needs a Feastocrat that is NOT Alysandre. Tadhg said that he may know someone who would be interested in that job. Marian asked what kind of feast Angharad had in mind. Angharad is envisioning a mid-level Italian feast if possible. She was estimating costs for the event to be around \$1000 if it were held at the Masonic Lodge, but she has gotten word that the owners are thinking of selling the site and won't be able to commit to anything until September. All in all, she believes that we can pull off the event for less than \$1500. She really wants to do it! She emphasized that she wants to invite all Artisans to this event – not just Peers. She has written up a list of potential invitees.

Tadhg asked if there would be room in her plans for A & S and Bardic Championships. Angharad agreed, and wants an organic schedule that will flow around those two main competitions. She would avoid asking imported artisans to judge anything, but wouldn't turn them down if they offered to do so.

Elizabeth was curious about other sites that could be used for Midwinters. Rose suggested the Vets Club, where she had helped organize an event for another (mundane) organization. She hasn't had any luck in contacting anyone by phone, but is willing to physically drop by the site. Morrghan said that

there is a list of properties that the City rents out for organizations, and she's been meaning to hunt it down and look at it again.

Ceridwen felt a lot better knowing that someone was willing to autocrat this! She also urged people to please start thinking about Egils 2010. It is **never** too early to start making plans for that.

Morrghan encouraged those who are interested in writing up an autocrating guidebook for Egils to go to the Aquaterra website and look at their Stewards' Handbook. She feels that format would work really well for an Egils Handbook.

Alysaundre suggested registering with ACCEPS in order to get set up for accepting pre-registration payments online.

Next, we had an applicant for the position of Chamberlain, in the form of Forrest Woodward. He briefly introduced himself as mundanely working with the developmentally-disabled. He considers himself to be well-organized. He feels that doing an inventory of the Barony's property is a priority and wants to have it done within the first 6 months of holding office.

Ceridwen asked him about the properties that he felt he possessed that made him a good fit for this job. Forrest described himself as a perfectionist and an organized person. He lives close to the storage facility and is available whenever people would need things out of the unit. He knows how to set up the various pavilions.

Maeve asked if Forrest had a vehicle that could pull the trailer; Forrest answered that he does not.

Ceridwen pointed out that actually taking stuff places is not in the job description for the Chamberlain; he just needs to be able to delegate that duty to appropriate people. The Barony has had Chamberlains before who could not drive or did not even own a vehicle; owning an appropriate vehicle is not a prerequisite for holding the office.

Forrest was kicked out to go explore the salad bar, and Council mulled over his proposition.

Several people vouched for the fact that Forrest is easy to work with and has a good work ethic. His work schedule coincides very well with the hours of operation for the storage unit. The Barony needs an inventory of its property and it's good that he considers in a priority. They also reiterated that we shouldn't let his lack of a vehicle be an obstacle.

The vote was taken, and Council unanimously approved Forrest for the position of Chamberlain. Thank you Forrest!

Talk then turned to an issue at An Tir/West War. The Principality Chiurgeon has asked to borrow our Chiurgeon's pavilion, and Brigette of Guernsey, a member of the event staff, has asked to borrow the Pied Piper and A & S pavilion. Morrghan wanted to know what would be a fair amount to charge for these.

Marian suggested letting them have the pavilions for free if they agree to work 40 volunteer hours at Egils.

Ceridwen said that if they are willing to figure out how to get the pavilions there, they can just have them.

Elizabeth opined that she really likes the idea of building relationships with other branches by bartering with them for volunteer hours.

Rose stated that volunteer hours are more valuable than the \$75 -100 that we would normally charge.

Morrghan thought that we should give them the option of choosing to pay \$50 per pavilion or giving 25 volunteer hours.

Tadhg wanted to know how on earth we were going to track these volunteered hours.

Marian finally suggested that, since our Society is based on honor, to simply give them the pavilions and request that they be kind enough to return the favor by volunteering at Egils. That way, we don't have to quantify anything, or track hours. They would still be responsible for paying for any repairs that might be needed if the pavilions are somehow damaged.

Council voted to unanimously approve Marian's suggestion.

Elizabeth shared that the Summits is in need of five pavilions, and has a \$3000 budget to pay whoever is willing to make pavilions for them. She felt that this would be a great way for us to pay for a new trailer.

Morrghan was worried, however, that the amount of work involved in making the pavilions would exploit a minority of our populace, and felt that the disparity between the costs of materials and labor and the amount being paid for them would actually not be worth it. She noted that the Baron and Baroness of Terra Pomaria have just started a pavilion-making business, and felt that the money is better directed toward them since he is not otherwise employed right now.

William Cristofore asked if any progress has been made on the Egils Autocrats Handbook. Not much progress has been made, but Ariana and Alysandre are definitely interested in doing it.

Council then moved on to **Officer Reports**.

Archery (Saethryth): She is in Turkey at the moment. If Marshals are able to show up for practices, they have her permission to open the range for practice in her absence.

A & S (Alysandre): Sewing Night went well. He will be out of town at the end of July, but if you have ideas for meetings or classes, go wild! He will resume holding the project night every other Tuesday after he returns.

Chamberlain: We have one, and this is awesome.

Chatelaine (Fionnbharr): This position is currently OPEN. If you are interested in filling it, please contact the Seneschal!

Chiurgeon: This position is currently OPEN. If you are interested in filling it, please contact the Seneschal.

Chronicler (Aesa): I transcribed the minutes for the Egils Debrief and sent them to the Web Minister on June 21st. I did not produce a June newsletter. There WILL be one for July, however.

Exchequer (Rachel): She filed a report online. We have \$14,685.91 in the bank. She is still in the process of settling accounts for Egils, which should deduce about \$2,000 from that total when it is all done. She does not have definite figures yet, but estimates that Egils made a profit in excess of \$3,000. She encourages anyone who needs reimbursement to email her, even if they have already submitted a request via someone else, and thanks everyone for their patience with her lack of availability for the last month or so.

Gold Key (Alys): She hasn't done anything recently.

Herald (Angharad): Egils went well, and she thanks all those who volunteered for voice heraldry. She feels that the Heralds' Boards need to be rebuilt into a form that is shorter and not so top-heavy. The design she envisions would preserve the artwork that is presently on them, and make them suitable for use indoors. She is actively searching for a deputy to take her place by next Egils. Heraldry Nights will start up again in July.

Library (Alysaundre): Egils ate his life and he hasn't really done anything with the Library lately.

Marshal (Aaron): He wasn't present. Official practices continue to happen on Wednesdays. There have been no problems lately. He has been blessed with a second deputy. The rapier community is growing. He has been approached by a gentleman who is interested in becoming an archery marshal. If you for whatever reason host an activity that requires signed waivers, you need to send copies of those to your Kingdom superior.

Park Liason (Karis): She was not present and there was not a report.

Pied Piper: This position is currently OPEN. If you are interested in filling it, please contact the Seneschal.

Rapier Marshal: This position is currently OPEN, contact the Seneschal if you're interested in filling it.

Scribe (Elizabeth): She painted scrolls at general project nights. She needs to hand off her office as soon as possible, and she wants to make a handbook for her successor. The office has paints, but needs a portfolio to hold scroll blanks. New designs for charters are needed. Ariana wants to apply for the position next month.

Seneschal (Ceridwen): She needs a deputy. Being a deputy for a position does NOT mean that you are locked into getting that position when the current Officer steps down; it just means that you have committed to fill in for an Officer when needed until a replacement is found. She presented a report at the Moot at Investiture. Things are going well. Quarterly reports are due by July 15th.

Thingmakers (Marian): They will be working on stuff for Regalia this next Thursday.

Webminister (Digr): He has added 4 new members to the Yahoo group and will be posting the Egils Debrief soon.

Work Party (Ambrose): Work parties be over for the year.

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Ariana Aislinn

Finn gall McKetterick

Chiara Calandra

Gabrielle D'Arci

William Cristofore of Devonshire

Algar MacBlane (Brother Al)

Johanna Trewpeny

Marian Staarveld

Diel of Norwich

Forrest Woodward

Telisia Brutusdottir

Maeve Cunningham (Pumpkin)

Roderick the Rhetorical

Ciara de Gramordt

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The next Council meeting will be held July 27th at Sizzler.

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Answers to last month's crossword:

DOWN:

- 2. Ceridwen
- 3. mendicant
- 4. honor
- 5. gratitude
- 8. embroidery
- 9. eric
- 11. Aaron
- 13. guild
- 14. Count

ACROSS:

- 1. Scholasticism
- 6. simony
- 7. calendar
- 10. Corvaria
- 12. flaws
- 15. gossipry
- 16. fitz

Riddle of the Month!

*Christ, the true giver of victories, created me for combat.
When my lord urged me to fight, I often scorch mortals;
I approach the earth and, without a touch,
Afflict a huge host of people.
At times I gladden the minds of men,
keeping my distance I console those whom I fought before;
They feel my kindness as they once felt my fire
When, after such suffering, I soothe their lives.*



Answer to May's riddle: An onion.