

The Mudpuppy

The official newsletter of the Barony of Settmour Swamp

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Baroness & Baron Letter



Another **Quest** is put to rest, though the memories, friendships and comaraderie will continue to live on. We would like you to join us in sending out our gratitude and thanks to the autocrats, cooks and quest author, and everyone who helped in ways large or small to run this event. With everyone's help the fun far outweighs the work.

We appreciate all who attended, though we did not get to talk to everyone but are glad for your presence and support, and we did see the smiles upon your faces, and heard tales of fun and merriment had by all. (page 7)

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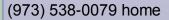


Swamp Officer Meeting

Settmour Swamp Business Meeting

The June Officer Meeting will be on Wednesday June 8 at Baroness Ursula's home in Morristown, New Jersey. All are welcome to enjoy good company starting at 6pm. The officer meeting will start at 7:30pm.

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A Day in the Solar event, June 18, 2016

A Day in the Solar event, June 18, 2016 sponsored by the Barony of Settmour Swamp, Host Masonic Lodge #6, 10 Ridge Rd, High Bridge, NJ

For updated information see: http://www.eastkingdom.org/EventDetails.php?eid=2871

The great Pennsic War looms! Is there a tailor among us who does not struggle to keep up with growing children and/or bellies? Wrestle with fitting problems, embroidering favors, and the sheet walls that sounded like a good idea last August? Come join us in the solar for an afternoon of good company, good food, and good advice for your tailoring issues.

In addition to the solarium, or open area where all may work, there will be three class areas set aside where we will offer specific project assistance, such as stitching fixes, or fitting help, or historical construction advice.

We ask all attendees to bring an item of any size or type for the potluck. Contact Lady Vika Grigina z Praha at lurking.girl@gmail.com to coordinate. In order that you overcome the Fear of the Needle, the site is wet.

We are also encouraging you to bring your excess fabrics and trimmings to sell or trade. You know you have things in your stash that you will never use. Now is your chance to clear out your stash. We will have an area in the hall for these materials.

Musicians and bards who are interested in performing, please contact the Autocrat, Baroness Elizabeth Talbot, at <a href="mailto:nedline:nedli

Entertainment Challenge:

We challenge all to prepare a tale of adventure, from either the sagas of history, or your own past, to tell before the assembled at luncheon. Please rehearse your story enough that you can be heard over 4-6 large tables, and time it to 7-10 minutes.

There will be workshops to make banners and hangings for the Meadhall at Pennsic, and we would love as many people as possible to help.

It will be a short day, beginning at 11am and closing at 6pm. The potluck lunch will be served around 1pm and there will be some classes as well as the banner and sheet wall workshops.





Ducal Challenge August 27

On August 27th, **<u>Duke Brennan</u>** and **<u>Duchess Caoilfhionn</u>** will host their Ducal challenge, featuring prize tournaments for both armored and rapier combatants.

<u>Mistress Elizabeth Lovell</u> and <u>Lord Ciaran ua Meic Thire</u> will co-autocrat this event.

Clinton Elks Lodge (same location as QUEST)

Clinton Elks 211 Sidney Road Pittstown, NJ 08867

For more details see the East Kingdom Event listing:

http://www.eastkingdom.org/EventListing.php

Winter Wolf October 22

On October 22, **Sir Manfred von Halstern's household** will host a fighting event, the Winter Wolf.

Sir Manfred von Halsterm will autocrat this event.

Hackettstown American Legion (same location as the December, 2015 Stomp)

Hackettstown American Legion 494 Willow Grove St. Hackettstown, NJ

For more details see the East Kingdom Event listing:

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Call for Baron and Baroness Candidates

At Mudthaw, the Mud did indeed thaw. Our good Baroness and Baron planted seeds that the Swamp may prosper in the coming years. They asked for candidates for the position of Baron and Baroness to submit their intention.



The mud has thawed and the seeds planted. Now is the time to put the call out to see who will be the **next baron and baroness** to tend and care for this great Barony.

Know that this is an endeavor that will be one of the most rewarding things you can do, but that it takes effort, time and patience. Please refer to the rights and responsibilities of the office in the Baronial Policy and Procedures to learn the core and starting point for the role.

For those thinking of taking up the position of Baron and Baroness, please submit your letter of intent to the Seneschal no later than <u>June 16</u> at <u>seneschal@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org</u>. Once we receive all your letters, we will announce your intent to the populace of the Barony and arrange gatherings where you can talk about your ideas and goals for the future of Settmour Swamp. The populace will then be polled for their opinion, according to Kingdom procedures, and the results sent to their Majesties.

Letters of Intent must include medieval and modern names, and contact information including email, phone, and address, SCA membership number and expiration date.

We look forward to meeting Our Heirs!

Baroness Jehannine and Baron Erec

Note: This official notification was published on April 17, 2016. A clarification was added on April 23, 2016.



Ursula, Pete & Orlando Designed Settmour Swamp Tee-shirt

Interested in ordering a "BARONY OF SETTMOUR SWAMP" tee-shirt? Then just call the toll free number below to speak to a **Customink** Sales Associate to place your order: **800-293-4232**

Call CustomInk and reference the previous order number **7397591**. The sales associate will then place your order using your email account and preferred shipping address. CustomInk will require your credit card information as well as your billing address information to complete payment. http://www.customink.com

Note: Two Designs are available: request either the "**TREE**" or the "**TOWER**" design. High resolution images of these designs are available in the April Mudpuppy.

http://settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org/mudpuppy/media/The Mudpuppy - 2016-04.pdf





Karin Jacobsdotter Designed a Settmour Swamp Mug



Karin Jacobsdotter designed a mug and a beer stein with Settmour Swamp logos. You may purchase one for yourself from **Zazzle**. Karin suggests you use a coupon code to reduce the price. Shipping costs can be reduced by ordering several at one time. All royalties will be donated to the Barony of Settmour Swamp.

http://www.zazzle.com/mug-168521169520261667



Baron and Baroness Letter (continued)

We were inspired by all who participated in our <u>champions tourneys</u>. Know that each of you by participating make this Barony stronger and we thrilled at the sight of seeing so many compete. We look forward to our new champions increasing the glory and renown of Settmour Swamp. We would also like to extend our gratitude to those who took on our <u>Largess Challenge</u>, and know that your skills as artisans are much appreciated.

On June 18th join us for our next event, <u>A Day in the Solar</u> for a day of good company and sewing. There will be classes, project assistance, as well as an open area for sewing. Bring your own projects or help with baronial project for making banners for the mead hall at the Barony's Pennsic encampment!

Pennsic fast approaches. The threat of war lays across the land like a blanket of fog. Make sure you are prepared. **Register now** to camp with us or other friends. Make sure your arms and armor are in good repair. Hone your blades and check your strings and arrows. Bring your finest arts and sciences, for the enrichment of your camp and the grand display. Take a class or teach one, and do tell us about it. Tell a story or live one. Those of you who go not to the war, we ask that you keep our Baronial lands safe and productive against our return, for Pennsic is but a part of what we do.

Our term as your Baron and Baroness is in its final year, if you have a pure heart and noble bearing then come forward and be our heirs. We are looking for those who shall continue to promote, work for and be the voice that continues to support and help grow this Barony. The deadline for letters of intent has not yet passed, come lead us to greater glory. If you are unsure, speak to us or the Seneschal about it. (see page 4)

Each one of you is precious to us and of value to our Barony. If you've wanted to get involved more, but aren't sure what to do, or if there's something you've been wanting to do but aren't sure where to start, please talk to us, e-mail or message us, or homing pigeons if you have to. We shall support you and your ideas in every way we can. Reach out, and you will be heard.

Baroness Jehannine and Baron Erec





Seneschale Notes

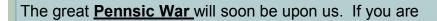
Greetings to the Barony!

Vivat! A great **Quest** has occurred! I would like to thank all those who came together and helped to make Quest another great event for our Barony! Special thanks go out to **Lord Aharon** and **Lord Jonathan**, our co-autocrats, for pulling everything together and keeping things organized. Also thanks to, **Lady Ceara MacKieran** the writer of our great Roman Quest adventure, and all those who helped out as out obstacles, much fun was had by both the obstacles and the Questers. Thanks to **Baroness Ursula** as well for helping with the writing, organizing and building of props needed for a successful Quest. A wonderful feast was had thanks to our head chef **Mistress Merlinia**, who, with the help of the lovely **Lady Lydia**, once again fed the hungry masses with delightful morsels picked from Roman history. **Lady Judith** and **Lord Miles** ran reservations and troll with their usual smooth efficiency. It is when we all come together like this, putting on wonderful events that everyone can enjoy, that our Barony really shines! Thank you all!

As seneschal it is my duty to address concerns in the Barony. We, as a society, hold events throughout the world. We, as a Barony, hold events within the borders of New Jersey. SCA law and Kingdom law cover what is acceptable at events as far as content and general behavior. However, state-and-federal law are both still enforced and take precedence over our group policies. The use of illegal drugs at any event is strictly forbidden. In the state of New Jersey it is punishable by law. Please, for the good of our Barony and the reputation we have with our rental sites, do **NOT** bring drugs or partake of them at any events. Action will be taken against anyone found to be doing so while on an event site.

The call for <u>candidates for the next Baron and Baroness</u> of our Barony continues. (see page 5) Please submit letters of intent to me, the seneschal, no later than the 16th of June. Following the close of the time frame we will announce our candidates and schedule meet and great times for all.

We are in need as well of a <u>new WEB MINISTER</u>. Dalak has served our barony with great skill for many years and is looking for a replacement to train and take his place. If you have skills with computers and a willingness to help out your barony please contact me or the Baron and Baroness and we will point you in the right direction to get started. Also, see page **11** for more information.







Seneschale Notes

camping with the Barony please be in contact with our land agents, <u>Lady Vika Grigina</u> and <u>Baroness Elizabeth Talbot</u> about arrangements. We hope to see you all out there. There will be a gathering of the Barony for celebration on Thursday evening of war week. Prior to this we hope to hold a meet and greet with our Baronial candidates. A Baronial Court will also be held prior to the celebration. More information to follow in the July Mudpuppy.

I would like to thank <u>Lord Jonathan</u> and <u>Lady Teresa</u> for hosting our May officers meeting. Our June meeting will be held at the home of <u>Baroness Ursula</u> on June 8th.

Sandra Unger 36 Terry Drive Morristown, NJ 07960 (973) 723-8160 cell

The officers approved two future events to be held within our Borders: <u>Winter Wolf</u> will be held on October 22nd in Hackettstown, NJ. A <u>Ducal Challenge</u> will be held on August 27th at the Clinton Elks, our beautiful Quest site. (see page 4 for more details)

All of our officers are working hard to keep the Barony running smoothly but more hands make less work for all. If you are interested in seeing how our Barony works behind the scenes we invite you to come out and join us for our monthly business meeting/officers meeting. We encourage all of our officers to have deputies who can work with them to learn the ropes of the job. If you have skills that would fit into one (or more) of our officer positions please reach out and meet the current officer, lend a hand. It takes many willing hands to keep our Barony great!

Yours in Service,

Charis

PENNSIC XLV - SCHEDULE OVERVIEW



Aurelia's First A&S Competition

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Sometimes, life does bring amazement and unexpected joy.

Although I have been active in the SCA and its artistic pursuits for almost a decade, this past weekend I decided to commit myself and enter **my first A&S competition**. And I won! I am honored to say that I am the new A&S champion for the Barony of Settmour Swamp. I would like to thank the judges for this exciting opportunity and I look forward to representing the Swamp through the year.

In the 7 years I have attended this event, it was also my <u>first time competing in the Quest</u> for Wit and Wisdom. <u>Lord Donnan Fitzgerald a' Bheithir, Lady Kataryn Mercer</u> and I made a great team and were the winners of the Quest! I love the reproduction Roman coins (donated by Baroness Ursula) that were given to us as the prize for the competition.

Quest has always been one of my favorite events, but it was truly extraordinary this year. I am grateful to everyone who worked hard to make this event possible. Thank you to all who make this Barony so vibrant, and to those who made this weekend so special!

Aurelia Alfaiata d'Alcáçova na' Bheithir

Chronicler Notes

The June issue of the Mudpuppy is dedicated to memories of **QUEST**. There are wonderful photos that are generously contributed by Mathias, Alexander, Lavinia, Gunnar, Becky, as well as my own photos. See the last page to identify photographers.

I am seeking a <u>deputy chronicler</u>. If you would like to learn how to be a snoopy reporter, a nitpicky editor, and develop skills with MS Publisher, this is your opportunity! Please let me know if you would like to help with any aspect of the Mudpuppy.

Thanks to <u>Lady Ceara MacKieran</u> for excellent proofreading.

Cadoc Fadyn Vaughan is a brand new Swampie. I asked him to write an introduction to his SCA persona and he came up with a creative way to introduce his somewhat scurrilous persona! See page 12.

Feel free to contact me with ideas for an article. I am happy to help.

Baroness Ursula of North Woods.

Chronicler

"He who makes no mistakes never makes anything." -English proverb





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Swamp Web Master Officer Needed

The Swamp needs a new **Web Master** to maintain our Baronial webpages.

<u>Lord Dalec Bolotnikov</u> has maintained the Swamp web pages for many years. It is time for another to take up the roll of Web Master.

Please contact

Dalec - webmaster@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org

or

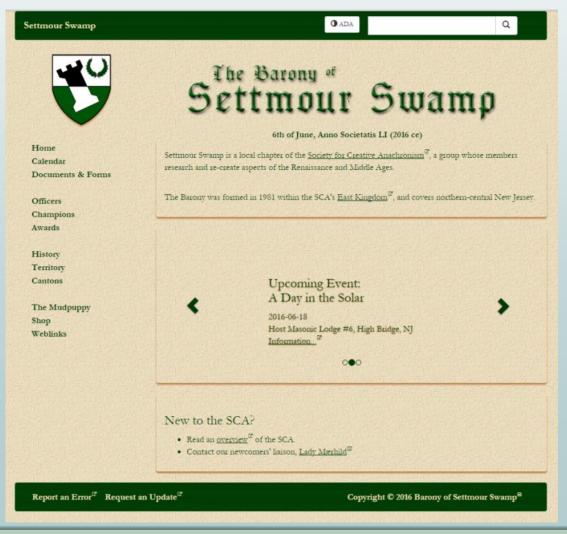
our Seneschale, Charis - charisacci@comcast.net

The Barony of Settmour Swamp website (http://settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org/) does not completely comply with the East Kingdom suggested standard design. A step was taken to get there, but the standardization is not complete. For example, instead of hundreds of individual pages, there's things like header and footer pages, and arrays to designed hold some data.

The East Kingdom has established a standard design and offers some help pages:

http://helpdesk.eastkingdom.org/

Required Skills: proficiency with html5, novice understanding of php





Hear Ye! Hear Yee!

A bounty is to be placed on the head of **Cadoc Fadyn Vaughan** for actions against his Majesty, King Edward the First. Crimes of this brigand include:

Impersonating a soldier in His Majesty's military: On the 9th of April, **1276**Cadoc infiltrated a camp of His Majesty's troops dressed as an officer. Accounts claim he made off with several barrels of ale and weights of salted meat, along with successfully sabotaging military equipment.

Raiding His Majesty's military supply trains: On multiple nights, this rogue participated in the robbery of military caravans. Stealing His Majesty's arms and armor.

<u>Treason against The Crown</u>: Through the repeated impedance of His Majesty's divine right to rule, Cadoc Fadyn Vaughan is guilty of high treason.

<u>Horse thievery</u>: Captain Louis Chastain was left in an open field, unconscious, naked and battered about the head. Upon waking, he found a note from the accused thanking him for his contribution.

<u>Corruption of the public good</u>: Cadoc and his band of brigands are responsible for multiple peasant uprisings within His Majesty's glorious province.

<u>Lewdness</u>: On multiple occasions, Cadoc has been witnessed using His Majesty's

royal banner in ways ill fit for such a dignified symbol.

Enemy of the State: The blatant disregard for common law and constant disturbance has led to the perpetuity of chaos within His Majesty's realm.

Should the citizens of His Majesty's Principality of Wales recognize this miscreant, he is to be immediately subject to the King's justice. Failure to do so is grounds for punishment by association.



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The event stewards, <u>Lord Aharon ben Ze'ev</u> and <u>Lord Jonathan Miles</u>, were thanked with waxed linen cup covers, as were

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Baronial Rattan Championship

It was my honor to marshal this year's Baronial Rattan Championship at Quest. All of the combatants fought well and with chivalry.

Congratulations to <u>Lord Arne Ulrichsson</u> on winning the tournament and becoming our new Baronial Champion. Thank you to our former Champion, <u>Lord Alexandros von Halstern</u>, for running the tournament.

Thank you to <u>Lady Lu An-Hua</u> for serving as Mistress of Lists (MOL).

Thank you to <u>Cadoc Fadyn</u>, <u>Baron Wulfgar</u>, and <u>Charles of Carillion</u> for their help setting up.

Lord Ögurr



Winner, Lord Arne Ulrichsson Runner up Sir Tanaka Raiko

Baroness Jehannine and Baron Erec recognizing the Baronial Champion Lord Arne Ulrichsson



Baronial Rattan Championship



Final round between Lord Arne Ulrichsson and Sir Tanaka Raiko



Simon Montgomery versus Lord Frederick von Eisenfaust, Prince of Acre



Simon Montgomery versus Baron Erec L'Claire





QUEST Rattan Fighting















QUEST Troll Thanks

My sincere thanks to all the people who helped troll run smoothly. It takes people filling 24 shifts to make sure we are adequately covered—that's a lot of volunteers. Some people covered more than one shift. Then there were the people who just came and spent time chatting and being good company. We thank them as well. I am sure I will forget someone in this list, and some of you I only know your first or mundane name—my apologies. Let me know and I will make corrections. It was a pleasure working with all of you. —

Lady Judith bas Rabbi Mendel

Baroness Jehannine de Flandres

Magister Galefridus Peregrinus

Baroness Ursula of North Woods

Lady Caera Fitzpatrick

Ellynor Redpath

Baroness Theodora Bryennissa, called Treannah

Lady Vivian de Dunbar

Master Alexander MacGregor

Lady Ceara MacKieran

Emidio Di Arquata

Caitlin Fitzgerald

Aurelia Alfaiata d'Alcacova

Lord Miles Boweman

Þórlæifr hvitskeeg (Baron Thorlaeiifr Hvitskegg)

Aharon ben Ze'ev

Hook Von Drake





QUEST Artisan's Row Thanks

I would like to thank those that offered their skills and knowledge at Quest. I know the heat prevented some from participating in Artisans' Row (myself included!) but I appreciate the generosity all the

same and hope everyone enjoyed the experience.

By name, the artists were:

Baron Erec L'Claire - woodworking

HRH Vivian de Dunbar - spinning

Lady Lydia FitzWaulter - weaving

<u>Lady Ceara MacKieran</u> - Roman wirework

Baroness Ursula of North Woods - dancing

<u>Lady Kataryn Kit Mercer</u> - wood block carving

Lady Aziza al-Shirazi - block printing

Magister Galefridus Peregrinus - cooking

<u>Pórfinnr Hróðgeirsson</u> (Lord Thorfinnr Hrodgeirsson) -

various metalworks

Lady Maerhild - silver work

Lady Caera Fitzpatrick











QUEST Artisan's Row Thanks (continued)













Feast Cooks

<u>Baroness Merlinia</u> and <u>Lady Lydia FitzWaulter</u> would like to thank the cooks and the kitchen cleanup staff.

Pre-Event Preparation at Lady Lydia's:

Baroness Theodora Bryennissa, called Treannah

Lord Jonathan Miles

Lord Ben a Draige

Fiona

Baron Wulfgar Silfrahaar

Baron Erec L'Claire

Baroness Edana inghean Aluinn

Baroness Merlinia of Rivenoak

Assistant Cooks at QUEST:

Lord Ben a Draige

Fiona

Lady Maerhild

Lord Yagu no Kagetoki

Grill Masters:

Lord Pippin a Bheithir Rennwick of Gryphonwald

Kitchen Cleanup Staff:

Lord Hildemar von Regensburg Lord Jonathan Miles











Feast Cooks (continued)











QUEST Obstacles

Gentles,

We roamed through **Rome** at this last Quest, and it was so much fun to put together!

My first thanks are to <u>Baroness Ursula</u>, without whom this Quest would not have happened. She kept me moving and motivated, built props, and was a support through my dad's illness and passing away right before Quest. She does so much for our Barony, and is a wonderful person.

<u>Lord Aharon ben Ze'ev</u> built the awesome chariots used in the Quest, and later for Their Excellencies' entrance into court. He also performed on-site repairs as needed, as the chariots were VERY popular!

<u>Lord Yoshihara Kojiro Munemasa (Ko)</u> was kind enough to put together a tunnel into the Underworld at the last minute.

Thanks are also due to my **Obstacles**:

Baron Erec as Jupiter

Baroness Jehaninne as Diana

Constantine Argyris as Mercury

Galen MacByrne as Pluto

Don Orlando Sforza as Neptune

Kaila Fitzgerald a'Bheithir as Minerva

Lord Mithgiladan the Herald as Bacchus

Lady Lydia Fitzwaulter as Venus

<u>Magister Galefridus Peregrinus</u> as Somnus

Lady Maerhild as Vulcan (cos why not?)

and of course Lord Pippin a'Bheithir as Cupid

The overarching goal was to collect all ten pieces of a mosaic, one handed out by each obstacle, and then tell me what the mosaic was: Romulus and Remus.

<u>Jupiter</u> was very angry. He had managed to get his wife, Juno, mad at him, and was tossing thunderbolts at people who tried to get near. In order to appease him and get his mosaic piece, questers needed to give him a peacock feather (obtained from Somnus) or a pomegranate (from Pluto), both of which were symbols of Juno.







<u>Diana</u>, being the goddess of archery, was found on the archery range. To obtain her piece, one needed to at least attempt some archery. She asked one of four questions, and the archer needed to shoot the picture of the correct answer:

- Citizens of a mighty stronghold, caring not for wealth or gold. Miners and architects too, all of us soldiers and know what to do. Ants
- Cloaked in darkness, the thief approaches. Without a watchful eye, he'll steal a man's golden nuggets. A crow
- It's a gray beast that travels with thunder. It has four round feet and a nose like no other. What is it? An elephant
 - What animal is always in trouble with its teachers? A cheetah

Mercury, being a messenger god and awfully fast, challenged questers to a chariot race. It was rigged, of course; he's a god! The only way to win the race was to give him a swig of the waters of the river Lethe, which were given out by Somnus. The water made him sleepy, allowing the questers to win. (I don't know the names of his mighty steeds, but they were WONDERFUL!)









Pluto, a was in the Underworld. Once questers entered, he challenged them with a riddle:





God of the Underworld, Pluto,





I like the Gauls but not their stones
Save their teeth, collect their bones
I crave fruit of a month of spring-o
Though rocky, these are not stone fruit
But if you will, my taste to suit

Pray tell what is this little thing-o?

The answer was a pomegranate, and questers received a mosaic piece and could take a fruit for later.



Neptune was celebrating Neptunalia, and since it is a festival about staying cool and refreshed, needed to get wet! He needed to have sponges thrown at him.





One of <u>Minerva's</u> aspects is the goddess of weaving, so she had a Roman-style loom with ribbons in Swamp colors.

Questers needed to listen to her riddle and continue the weaving:

The maiden sees the weaving

And wonders how it's done

The maiden asks the spider how

The crossing fibers run.

The spider tells the maiden I'm

An artist of the air.

My artwork is my pattern, can

You make the pattern fair?





Bacchus was having a Bacchanalia, and needed some music to liven things up. He played a tune on a pipe, and questers had to make an attempt to repeat the tune.





Somnus, being the god of sleep and dreams, was asleep. Questers had to wake him up by tickling him with one of the peacock feathers near him. Once awake, he rewarded them with a mosaic piece and a jar containing the waters of Lethe (cranberry juice).







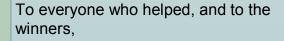
<u>Vulcan</u> was at a loss; (s)he couldn't do any work, because her hammer was missing! There was a container with mallets cunningly hidden near Hrymganar.



Cupid was running around shooting people with his bow. He then sent them back to his mother, Venus, who gave them a picture. They had to find the team who had the matching picture, their "true love". If they returned to Venus together, they got their mosaic piece.







VIVANT!!!

Lady Ceara MacKieran QUEST-o-Crat









Questers



Archery





First Time Autocrating by Lord Jonathan Miles

A quick note about Autocrating for the curious:

Quest 2016 was my first time co-autocrating, really as an assistant to **Lord Aharon** who was either primary or co on the 2014 QUEST, so he had some idea what was going on. During the lead up, I mostly listened to the conversations at the baronial business meetings, about the budgeting and plans. I voted on the bid and the budget as an officer. I read **Baroness Ursula's** extensive notes on the 2015 QUEST, and I read a book on roman feasting from **Baroness Merlynia**.

I was given a few tasks in preparation for the event: Getting the dumpster, the port-a-johns, and the fire permit. I had my other responsibilities, as the chamberlain ("keeper of stuff"), to move gear back an forth from the storage locker, which is only about 15 minutes away from the site. The job of moving the gear, however, would not normally be encumbered by an autocrat.

During the event, it was mostly just trying to be present and grab things for people, or find things for people, or find people. While I didn't get everything right (plenty of room for improvement), I have to go on record as saying it was not nearly as hard as I thought it was going to be.

There were plenty of people around me who knew what they where doing. Plenty of materials around to reference. The whole experience was very safe for me, and to be honest the hardest was the physical labor in the hot sun, and that had much more to do with my role as chamberlain (keeper of the stuff) than anything else.

I am here to tell you this is totally do-able and something you should look into if you are interested in helping out, or just want to see how it all gets done. Don't be afraid. Come visit us at a Baronial Business meeting sometime, we love new faces.

Lord Jonathan Miles





QUEST Rapier





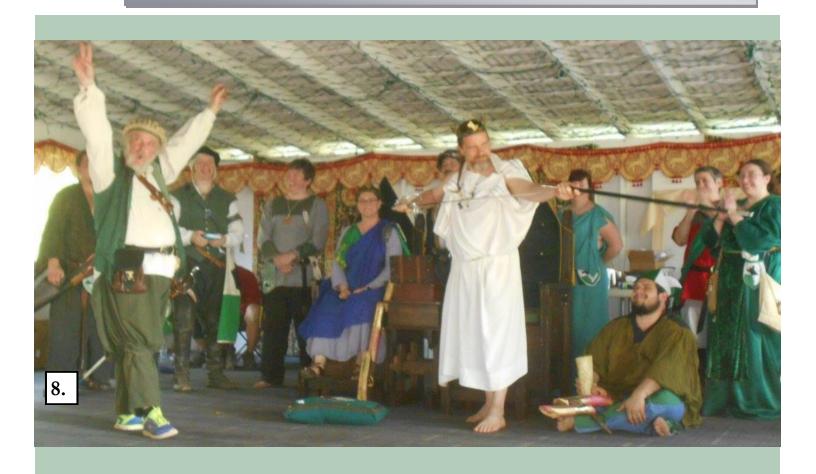








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QUEST Brewing Contest



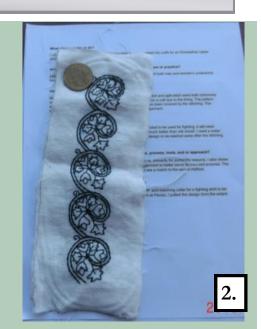






QUEST Arts & Sciences















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By Ursula of North Woods

The East Kingdom Calendar

http://www.eastkingdom.org/EventListing.html

Pennsic Dancing

http://pennsicdance.aands.org/

Dance Practices in the Known World

https://www.google.com/maps/d/viewer?mid=12 WKClfzqlk5t0a4UYix NyTyls

Pennsic University 45 Dance Class Schedule

http://pennsicdance.aands.org/pennsic45/classes.html

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Society for Creative Anachronism **Newcomer's Portal**:

http://welcome.sca.org/

A **Newcomer's Guide** to the SCA:

http://www.sca.org/officers/chatelain/pdf/NewcomersGuidePages-low.pdf



Tuesday Night Fighting & Rapier Practice & A&S

The **heavy weapon practice** and **rapier practice** meets most Tuesday nights.

We will also be hosting an **Arts & Science (A&S)** gathering to work on various projects for the Swamp. Or just come and watch, or bring a project of your own. All are welcome. There will be fencing and room for heavy weapons practice, if a marshal is available.

Contact Orlando with questions.

Location:

The Glen Gardner Youth Center 16 Hampton Rd Glen Gardner, NJ, 08826

Time:

Tuesdays 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm

Donation are welcome to help offset the cost of the practice site.





Caterina's Arts & Sciences (A&S) and Calligraphy

Mistress Caterina Giaocchini (Kasia) is hosting

Arts and Sciences (A&S) get together on THIRD Fridays, at 7:00 pm

Calligraphy and Illumination (C&I) workshop FIRST Sundays, at 7:00 pm

55 Hillcrest Ave, Morristown, NJ 07960 917-968-9321

Bring whatever you are working on and come **chat and hang out** with others doing their thing.

Caterina



Nutley Heavey Weapons Fight Practice (photos by Liz Basedow)

The **heavy weapon practice**, Nutley, NJ. Contact Wulfgar Silfrahaar with questions.

Location:

Franklin Reformed Church, 45 Hillside Crescent Nutley, NJ 07110

Day/Time:

Wednesdays 7:30 pm to 10:30 pm

<u>Donation are welcome</u> to help offset the the practice site.



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Archery Practice (photos by Vivian De Dunbar)

Archery Practice is lead by Thorlaeifr Hvitskegg each Sunday at the home of our Gracious Baroness Jehannine in Milford, NJ. Contact Thorlaeifr with questions.

Location:

Milford, NJ 310 Milford-Warren Glen Rd. (Rt. 519), Milford, NJ 08848 908-319-0765 (cell)





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Youth Combat	Vacant	Vacant
Chancellors Minor	Vacant	Vacant (organize activities for children and teenagers)
Thrown Weapons	Vacant	Vacant
Canton of Gryphonwald (Middlesex Cty, NJ): Seneschale	Failenn Finn gryphonwald@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org	Renewed March 9, 2016 Expires March 9, 2020







Combat	Date/Time	Location	Contact	Notes
Fighter Practice	Wednesdays 7:30 pm - 10:30 pm	Nutley, NJ. Franklin Reformed Church, 45 Hillside Crescent Nutley, NJ 07110	Ögurr Aðalbrandarson marshal@settmourswamp.eas tkingdom.org	Other fight practices: Fighter Practice group at Yahoo!Groups; Donation are welcome to help offset the cost of the practice site.
Fighter Practice	Tuesday evenings 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm	Glen Gardner Youth Center 16 Hampton Rd Glen Gardner, NJ, 08826	Ögurr Aðalbrandarson marshal@settmourswamp.eas tkingdom.org	Also fencing and Arts& Science; suggested Donation are welcome to help offset the cost of the practice site.
Fencing Practice	Tuesday evenings 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm	Glen Gardner Youth Center 16 Hampton Rd Glen Gardner, NJ 08826	Orlando Sforza rapierdon@comcast.net (908) 850-8690 (No calls after 9pm)	Also heavy fighting and Arts& Science; Donation are welcome to help offset the cost of the practice site.
Archery Practice	Sundays 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Milford, NJ 310 Milford-Warren Glen Rd. (Rt. 519), Milford, NJ 08848 908-319-0765 (cell)	Jehannine de Flandres baroness@settmourswamp.ea stkingdom.org Phillip the Facetious	
Thrown Weapons Practice	Sundays 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Milford, NJ 310 Milford-Warren Glen Rd. (Rt. 519), Milford, NJ 08848 908-319-0765 (cell)	Jehannine de Flandres baroness@settmourswamp.ea stkingdom.org Phillip the Facetious	Please email for directions.



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Caterina (Kasia) Calligraphy & Illumination	FIRST Sunday 7pm	55 Hillcrest Ave, Morristown, NJ 07960	Mistress Caterina (Kasia) mas@settmourswamp.eastkin gdom.org 917-968-9321	Caterina announces meetings on the Swamp email list and on the Swamp Facebook page.
Archery	By Appointment	Pittstown, NJ	Elizabeth Hawkwood hawkwoode@gmail.com	Email Baroness Elizabeth Hawkwood for directions

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