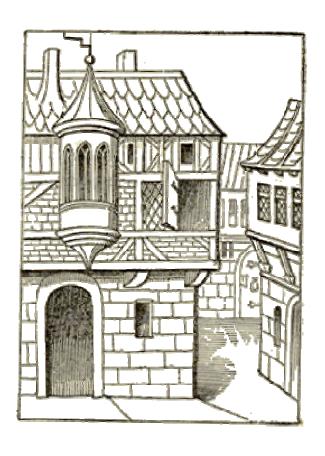
# THE MUDPUPPY



April, A.S. XLI/2007

#### Calendar of Events

#### **April 2007**

- 7 St. Sebastian's Fair, Hartshorn-dale, Schwenksville, PA (archery event)
- Baronial business meeting at the home of Eric Le Claire, Highbridge, NJ, 7:30 PM
- 14 Coronation of Gryffith & Aikaterine, Barony of Bergental, Springfiled, MA
- Dance practice, Canton of Marwick, Cranford Community Center, 7:30 PM
- 18 Tyr Mynydd meeting, Hope, NJ, 7:30 PM
- 25 Deadline for submissions for the Mudpuppy
- 27-29 EK Southern Region Spring War Practice, Owlsherst, York, PA
- 28 Spring Thynge IV Pirates on the Move, Caer Adamant, Middletown, DE (woods walk archery event)
- Heavy and youth fighting, fencing, archery, AS workshops, Flemington, NJ, 1:30 PM

#### **May 2007**

- 5 Crown Tourney, Rusted Woodlands, Tappen, NY
- 8 Dance practice, Canton of Marwick, Cranford Community Center, 7:30 PM
- 9 Baronial business meeting, location to be determined, 7:30 PM
- 12 Ice Falcon's Ducal Challenge, Barren Sands, Elmer, NJ
- Heavy and youth fighting, fencing, archery, AS workshops, Flemington, NJ, 1:30 PM
- 16 Tyr Mynydd meeting, Hope, NJ, 7:30 PM
- 19-20 West Windsor Renaissance Faire, Carillion, West Windsor, NJ
- Gryphonwald meeting, Highland Park, NJ, 7:30 PM
- 25-28 Quest for Wit & Wisdom XXIV: Mummy Dearest, Neshanic Station, NJ



## Baronial Officers Confirmed

At the March baronial business meeting, Lord Phillip the Facetious was reaffirmed as our seneschal and Lord Draguin atte Maeldun was reaffirmed as baronial youth marshall.

The barony thanks these officers for their continued service.



# From The Baron and Baroness:

We would like to thank every one who helped make this Mudthaw one of the best events we have had the pleasure of attending. The fact that it was also our Investiture will be something we will always be proud of. If we try to thank everyone who helped at the event, we know we will miss many names. We are going to leave that for the Autocrat and Head Cook.

Jessa, you make autocrating an event of this size look easy, but you do not have to have done it before to appreciate just how big a job running Mudthaw has become. Those of us who have done it before know just how much time and energy it takes. Thank you for all of your work.

Wilhelm, what can we say? The feast was amazing, the scroll you did for Teric and Pagian's silver tower was a beautiful work of art. If you had done just one of these for the event it would have been a task. The fact that you did both and had time to do Baron Erik's arms for us for the precession is feat of which the bards should sing.

Not being bards ourselves, we lack the words to fully convey how much all you did means to us. Thank you just does not seem to do it.

Edmund, every time we saw you at the event you were busy working on something but you always had a smile on your face. Thank you so much.

Daimiana. thank you for all the effort you and your crew put into dayboard. Dayboard is one of the most difficult aspects of an event of this size. Provide a lunch with a fair number of choices and the number of people you are serving is really unknown, maybe 500 maybe 600 what's a hundred people? You rose to the occasion and provided a wonderful dayboard that lasted long into the afternoon.

Baroness Ursula, you have been a steadfast advisor helping us prepare for our investiture for months. You also took the Baronial history project and ran with it. The collection of photos you gathered is impressive. Thank you for all the hard work you put into this project and for all the advice.

Helping Baroness Ursula with the swamp history project and or donating photos to the collection were Baroness Merlinia, Lady Lydia, Andrusus, John Upton, Elisabetta and surely there are more of whom we are not aware.

Thank you to Morgaine who would ask constantly before and at Mudthaw "What can I do for you". Thank you for all you did.

To Baroness Ursula and Baroness Merlinia, many thanks for helping Rhiannon dress for court and keeping her calm.

Thank you also to Baroness Ursula for resurrecting the dragon, dead these past 17 years and summoning him to the hall. To Ben, Lady Ceara, Stephanie, Baroness Merlinia and Andrusus thank you for taking part in the play.

For our wonderful subtleties, we would like to thank Lady Elisabeth Elenore Lovell who made the chocolate coronets. Not only did they look amazing, they tasted great. By the end of the night most everyone in the hall had a taste. Baroness Merlinia, Stephanie and Cassandra de Matisse who made the cookies and the family tree of the arms of all the landed Barons and Baroness of Settmour Swamp, thank you.

Thank you to Lady Mina de Lis for singing for the gathered populace at a moments notice. You have an amazing voice.

Thank you to Aisin-gioro Biya who came to high table to sing for us.

Erec L'Claire, who was Herald for our first court and for setting up the thawing of the mud ceremony, many thanks. Thanks also to Retep for a brilliant entrance for the ceremony. Now Alexander can't get that song out of his head!

Thank you to Gwyn for making sure the Baronial feastwear from high table was washed and packed up.

Alexander MacRus, you did a fantastic job in refurbishing the old coronets. They have not looked that good in a long. long time.

Mistress Alys Mackyntoich, thank you for working with us ahead of time. We are sorry you were unable to attend the event. Mistress Mercedes de Califia, thank you for setting up the toasts that day. It was one less thing we needed to worry about once we heard you were taking care of it.

Last but not least thank you to Teric and Paigan who helped us prepare for this day and for serving high table. Having your advice and friendship has been invaluable. We are looking forward to seeing both of you relaxing at future events.

Alexander and Rhiannon
Baron and Baroness Settmour Swamp

# The First Court of Their Excellencies Alexander and Rhiannon Held at Mudthaw The 24<sup>th</sup> of March, AS XLI, 2007

Court Herald: Lord Erec Le Claire Reporting Herald: Lord Erec Le Claire

Their Excellencies called forth their guard and their champions to stand with them in court.

#### FEALTY

Their Excellencies called forth Lord Philip Reed who did swear his fealty as seneschal of the Barony.

#### **AWARDS**

Baron Teric and Baronness Paigan were called into the court and awarded the order of the silver tower.

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

House Runnymeade did come forth and present gifts to their Excellencies.

Ostgard presented cheese.

Barony Beyond the Mountain presented an embroidered pillow made by Lady Gabrielle and a storage bag.

Carillion presented a chest with bread, salt and veils, one for Rhiannon and one for Rhiannon to present to Her Majesty.

The snowy lands of Concordia presented a basket with a blue cloth containing honey and beeswax.

Lord Retep did bring forth the mud that their Excellencies could pronounce it thawed. (There was much rejoicing)

Thus ended the First Court of Alexander and Rhiannon.



# Thanks from the Autocrat of Mudthaw/Baronial Investiture

One of the most important jobs an autocrat has is thanking the many people who helped out. Please bear with me; this will be a long article because so many people worked on Mudthaw!

The event went extremely well, despite the extra challenges we had to overcome: a change in sites, tough township regulations, hosting East Kingdom Curia, a late March snowstorm keeping us from using the lawns, and a last minute change of merchant coordinators!

Back in November, when we found out that the Shriners had rented their hall to another group for March 24th, <u>Baroness Paigan</u> helped me in the search for a replacement site. We viewed Google satellite images, made calls and visited halls. Amazingly, in less than a week we had our new site booked!

Franklin Township has requirements for large events that we usually don't have to worry about, including having a caterer and getting a Health Department permit, and <u>Rachel of Gwynedd</u> agreed to do that for us. Thank you Rachel, for all the advice you gave Wilhelm and me on the kitchen regulations we had to follow, and for putting your own business on the line!

When I first considered running Mudthaw, I asked <u>Edmund and Emeline Patterson</u> if they would be my co-autocrats. Not only did they handle the event reservations and help sort through Settmour inventory, but Edmund also arranged for hotel rooms, transported a trailer-full of Settmour's inventory to and from the event, helped with Friday setup and then worked tirelessly all day Saturday, even running off-site twice for a couple of items that the kitchen needed. I couldn't have done it without them!

<u>Malcolm Bowman</u> did an incredible job, stepping in at the last minute as replacement Merchant Coordinator. In the 5 days before the event he managed to contact all the merchants, get their set up requirements, and fit in almost everyone who wanted a space. <u>Little One</u> helped him arrange the merchant tables on Friday.

Friday before the event we had a great turnout for set up: <u>Alexander MacGregor</u>, <u>Andrew Sciscente</u>, <u>Angus Sutherland</u>, <u>Thorlaeifr Hvitskegg</u>, <u>Jehannine de Flandres</u>, <u>Phillip the Facetious</u>, <u>his mom Siana</u>, <u>Anna von Argenthal</u>, <u>Owynn Greenwood</u>, <u>Little One</u>, <u>Malcolm Bowman</u>, <u>Edmund</u>, and <u>Erec le Claire</u>. They carried in all the kitchen supplies, strung up the banners, put up signs, laid out the list fields, and set up merchant tables in the lobby. We were pleasantly surprised to find that we could use the dishwasher that day, so Alexander, Phillip, Edmund, Erec, Malcolm, and Owynn spent several hours washing ALL the serving platters and bowls, as well as the tubs they'd been packed in!

<u>Eleanor Callaghan</u> did her usual superb job in heading up Troll. She had a great crew working with her: <u>Aisin Biya</u>, <u>Alexander MacRus</u>, <u>Cassandra de Matisse</u>, <u>Galefridus Peregrinus</u>, <u>Elizabeth Talbot</u>, <u>Gwen (Saladini)</u>, <u>Morgaine a Bheithir</u>, <u>Gwenhwyvar Telynores</u>, <u>Norman the Hunn</u>, <u>Gudrun Gudmundardóttir</u>, <u>Elisabetta da Roma (la Maldestro)</u>, <u>Elizabeth Hawkwood</u>, <u>Baroness Ursula of Northwoods</u>, <u>Lydia Fitzwalter</u>, <u>Alec</u>, and <u>Andrew</u>. I don't think anyone had to wait on line too long, even though we had **608 people** who came to Mudthaw!

Galefridus also served as our Chirurgeon-in-Charge for the day.

Thanks to <u>Roxane Farabi Shazadeh</u>, who was in touch with the Royalty before the event, <u>Baroness Ursula</u>, who did her usual lovely decorating job with the Royalty Room, and <u>Safia al-Khansa</u>, who stepped in for Roxane when she was unable to attend the event. <u>Mistress Safia</u> also made the lovely ceramic tower site tokens for the event.

<u>Damiana de Granada</u> was in charge of dayboard, and it was delicious! The food lasted through the afternoon, so fighters and fencers were able to eat after they were done with their tourneys, and people attending Court could also grab a snack. Before the event, many people helped prepare some of the dishes, including: <u>Sebastian Esteban de Xavier</u>, <u>Mercedes de Califia</u>, <u>Edmund</u>, <u>Antonio Patriquin</u>, and <u>Caitlyn Longstrider</u>. Even more volunteers spent hours working on dayboard on Saturday (see Wilhelm's kitchen list, below). Thank you to everyone who kept the indoors and outdoors lunch tables stocked all through the afternoon, including <u>Thorlaeifr</u> and his sister <u>Judithann</u>.

<u>Brighid ni Chiarain</u> baked 100 pounds of delicious breads that lasted all through lunch and dinner, and <u>Jehannine de Flandres</u> made kegs of root beer to accompany the feast.

For the afternoon's indoor activities, <u>Elizabeth Elenore Lovell</u> ran the Arts & Sciences tables, <u>Sabatina de Valle</u> traveled to Settmour to run the Gaming Tables, <u>Angus & Brianna Sutherland</u> ran the Children's Activities, and <u>Sofia Serafimskaia</u> ran the Newcomers' Table. <u>Baroness Ursula</u> and crew (including <u>Merlinia</u>, <u>Lady Lydia</u>, <u>Andreusis</u>, <u>John Upton</u>, and <u>Elisabetta</u>) worked hard to assemble an awesome Swamp History presentation -- what memories that brought back! <u>Aife ingen ui'Lochain</u> led the afternoon dance practice in addition to dancing after the feast, to music provided by the <u>Bhakaili Branslers</u>. <u>Andrew Sciscente</u>, our newest member, was the winner of the 9-Men's Morris Tourney; while in the A&S Competition, <u>Thorlaeifr's</u> stained glass work won the Populace's Choice award.

Outdoors, we had our Tournaments: for Armored Combat <u>Erec le Clair</u> and <u>Mitchell MacBain</u> were the Marshals in Charge, and <u>Ceara macKieran</u>, our new Mistress of Lists, was aided by <u>Elisabetta</u>. They and a crew of marshals all combined forces to run the tourney, with 101 fighters, in just 3-1/2 hours! <u>Collin Monroe</u> was the Martial in Charge for Rapier; he was helped by <u>Siobhan inghean ui Dhonnabhain</u> (the Southern Region MoL) and <u>members of the Tadcaster Militia</u>. <u>Draguin atte Maeldun</u> ran the Youth Combat list. Congratulations to all the winners of the tournaments: Duke Gregor van Heisler (Armored Combat), Nathaniel Wyatt (Rapier), and in the Youth Combat divisions: Aiden Sutherland, Ben, and Christopher Serpentius.

Since the fields were still wet, the tourneys were set up on the pavement, but unfortunately, Thrown Weapons and Archery could not be held. Our Captain of Archers, <u>Jehannine</u>, had designed heraldic targets for the tourney, which <u>Thorlaeifr</u>, <u>Aife</u> and others had painted beautifully. When the archery was cancelled they displayed them inside the hall instead.

After Teric & Paigan's final court, Alexander and Rhiannon's investiture and first court, and Royal Court (all of which began and ended on time!) came the feast. Wilhelm van Utrecht planned and executed a wonderful feast of 12 dishes served in 2 courses. He had scores of helpers, first in the four cooking workshops: Francesca da Parochel, Gardr Guntarson, Katheryne aff Kringskiep, Fionbhar a Bheithir, Mercedes, Gudrun, Galefridus, Anna, Thorlaeifr, Angus,

<u>Phillip, Eleanor, Brona,</u> and <u>Rowan.</u> The day of the event many of the above folks also worked in the kitchen, along with: <u>Ben e draig, Quinn the Mighty, Skippy, Celestina, Pippin a'Bheithir, Caitlin, Darius Serpentius, Brighid ni Chiarain, Emidio di'Arquata, Gwen, Victoria, Ken, Kate, <u>Judy, Steve, Kim, Jennifer, Serric der Grimmige, Orvarg Elkenskelg,</u> and <u>Andreusis.</u> Some of these folks cooked and some cleaned, and all were very appreciated!</u>

<u>Baron Teric and Baroness Paigan</u> were the servers for High Table, and seemed to be having a great time! For the other 24 tables, <u>Vicerene Eularia Trewe</u> headed up a stalwart crew of servers that included <u>Brunissende de Broceliande</u>, <u>Alain Longship</u>, <u>Marion del Oaks</u>, <u>Thomas del Bruc</u>, <u>Merricke of Winterbourne</u>, <u>Rumi</u>, <u>Siobhan</u>, <u>Collin</u>, <u>Mercedes</u>, <u>Caitlyn</u>, and <u>Malcolm</u>.

During the feast, diners were entertained as <u>Baroness Ursula</u> narrated a return of "The Dragon Play", starring <u>Ben</u> as the Dragon, <u>Andreusis</u>, <u>Merlynia</u>, <u>Ceara</u>, <u>Stephanie</u>, <u>Teric & Paigan</u>, and <u>Alexander & Rhiannon</u>. We also were serenaded by <u>Lady Mina de Lis</u> and <u>Aisin-gioro Biya</u>.

We had two Subtleties at the feast. First, <u>Elizabeth Elenore Lovell</u> presented Baron Alexander and Baroness Rhiannon with two chocolate coronets she had crafted. The other subtlety, a heraldic tree (with large cookies) and heraldic small cookies served to each table were created by <u>Baroness Merlynia</u>, <u>Stephanie MacGregor</u>, <u>Cassandra</u>, <u>Alexander mac Rus</u>, and <u>Caitlin</u>.

I want to thank everyone who stayed to help clean up at the end of the day. I was getting pretty fuzzy by that point, but I do remember seeing Elizabeth Hawkwood, Hildemar the Alchemist, Thorlaeifr, Judithann, Edmund, Phillip, Serric, Orvarg, Antonio, Merlynia, Maire, Cordelia, and Andreusis. Thank you for staying until the bitter end!

Thank you also to all those sitting at the High Table who pitched in to clean up the Royalty Room – it seems like I blinked and then it was all done! These were: <u>Baron Alexander</u>, <u>Baroness Rhiannon</u>, <u>Phillip & Jehannine</u>, <u>Merlynia</u>, and <u>Erec & Anna le Clair</u>.

Amazingly, even though I've named **100 different people** who helped, I know that there are still people whose names I missed. Please know that I appreciate the help and hard work of each and every one of you. Mudthaw is one of the largest events in the East Kingdom, and the Barony can only successfully run it because so many people generously give of their time and talents.

Many thanks to you all, to the officers of the Barony, and to their Excellencies, Alexander & Rhiannon.

Mistress Jessa d'Avondale

# March Officer Reports

#### **Exchequer**

The address for the Settmour Swamp account has been changed from Alexander's. The EOY is complete, and I will be bringing a copy to the meeting. BGI made \$494.25. I am going to bring a copy of the Event report to the meeting.

`Jenna

#### Chirurgeon

No injuries have been reported.

#### **Captain of Archers**

Been a little too cold to hold practice outside during the past few sunday practices. But we have been keeping busy! Thorlaeifr (my archery MIT) and many others have been helping me paint archery targets for Mudthaw. Currently three shoots are done and we are wrapping up the next two. All that is left is mounting the targets on cardboard, which I could use more of (hint hint).

As the weather starts to warm up practices will resume.

Jehannine de Flandres

#### **Youth Fighting:**

Some additional gear/supplies purchased to upgrade the loaner gear. Still in the process of modifying some of the new gear to be SCA legal. Fight practices going well. Seeing some new faces from time to time. Kefira and I are working on prizes for Mudthaw. For the most part, all is going well.

Draguin

#### Herald

Heraldry happens. I taught a class on court heraldry at King's & Queen's Bardic. I'll be teaching a class on armory at the Nova Schola in Hartshorndale this weekend.

I'm working with Alexander and Rhiannon on the ceremony for their Investiture.

We should hear news about whether the Iron Tower name and badge and the Ivory Tower badge have passed Society level review any day now. Almost definitely before Mudthaw.

There will be a consulting table at Mudthaw.

My work-related travels are done for the moment, but I remain unavailable on Wednesday nights (unfortunately).

Alys

#### **Arts & Sciences**

Arts are happening!

Katherine is working on building a supply of favor blanks for our Queen's favor project.

The awesome archers of the Barony are painting some of the best looking heraldic targets I have ever seen! No one is going to want to shoot at them:

Mudthaw A&S is all ready to go...now we just need people to show up with entry's...hint hint.

Marwick is working on banners for Mudthaw.

We are all busy bees.

Elizabeth

#### **Chamberlain**

News from the Chamberlain, Jessa the Wonderful has been a great help in starting to get the inventory in order (kudos to Jessa). Sometime in the beginning of May I could use some volunteers to come up and help me clear out one room in my garage, then we can move the inventory up here & I can start to really get it into shape, new pictures, new count, clean everything (including tubs), get rid of things too dirty, stained, etc. to use & replace with new (but not all at once). Will need input from cooks as to how many of what they really need to function efficiently for the larger events such as Mudthaw. So right now we are still in a holding pattern as far as inventory management is concerned.

Gudrun Gudmunderdottir

#### **Chatelaine**

Demos - Completed -Girl scout demo on March 8th - Jessa ran the demo and Katherine assisted with demonstrating spinning.

New Demo Request - "My Brother is a scout leader who is chairman in charge of a Medieval cub scout event running on Saturday, June 2nd from 12:00 PM to 5 PM. This would take place at Winnebago Scout Reservation, in Marcella, NJ. They are requesting if we could supply a few fighters to demo, archers, and possibly do some thrown weapons. I was a little leery about the thrown weapons, but have been assured that scouts do "Tomahawk throwing" a some scouts camps. (I'm still leery about throwing knifes and axes in front of little kids.) They do have an archery range that we could use to demo on, and then let the scouts shoot with their scout bows and targets. The age range of the kids are 7 to 10 years of age. If people wanted to stay the night, they would make cabins available for us free of charge. The cabins are basically large rooms with a wood burning heater, (not that it would be needed in June) and bunks that sleep 10 or 12 people in each. At that time of year, they would have showers available for use also. If we stayed overnight we would need to supply our own food, and be checked out by noon Sunday. Saturday evening, the scouts would have a campfire either indoors or out depending on the weather. We would be welcome to come to their campfire or just hang out in our own area. If people really wanted to, they could come Friday Night and stay till Sunday. The parade grounds area is

certainly big enough to have even a melee if the fighters wanted to. Is this something we could potentially do, and would want to do? If you need further information of any sort, just ask. If you wish to speak directly with my brother David, I can certainly arrange that also.

#### **Canton of Marwick**

**New members** - There have been three requests for information from individuals interested in becoming involved all of which have been invited to join the upcoming events. A gentleman named Steven was at the last Flemington fight practice and was introduced around and invited to upcoming events as well as emailed important newcomer information.

**Events** - There will be a Newcomers' Point set up at Mudthaw where I will be available to answer questions, loan Gold Key items, accept Gold Key/Garage Sale Items and distribute handouts to newcomers.

#### **Fencing**

All is OK in the fencing world. Sunday practice going strong, still searching for a Thursday site.

#### **Chronicler**

The March newsletter has been sent out. We currently have 88 members on the electronic list, and I received two more requests to join the list. Paper copies being mailed out have been reduced to 12, down from the 17 copies being mailed in December. This is due to a clean up of the exchange list and expired subscriptions. No new subscriptions for paper copies have been received. For the month of March there were no printing costs, the only expenditure was for two books of stamps.

I'm currently investigating the various publication software available to make formatting the paper copy quicker and easier.

Elizabeth Hawkwood Chronicler

#### **MOL**

There's nothing to report except that Elizabetta is going to be my deputy, and that Rhiannon and I are going to get together (probably this weekend) to hand off stuff and sit down for some talks about the best way to do things and keep them running smoothly.

I am replying to a few folks who have volunteered to help at the lists, so I think we're going to be in pretty good shape.

Ceara

#### **Knight Marshal**

Thursday night Flemington practice opened this past Thursday. The first night was a success, we had around 15 fighters including two Dukes and a Knight. Hope this a good indication of things to come.

Nutley continues as normal, proving to still be a continuous draw of fighters.

## **DEPUTIES NEEDED**

The following baronial officers are in need of a deputy:

Chamberlain – maintains the inventory of baronial assets

Chronicler – produces the monthly newsletter

Exchequer – in charge of baronial funds

Fencing –oversees fencing activity

Mistress of Lists – responsible for running the list at heavy weapons tournaments

Youth Combat – oversees youth boffer combat

Webmistress – maintains the website for the barony

NOTE: Some positions require an individual to be warranted. Anyone interested in becoming a deputy, please contact the officer for complete details. Their contact information may be found on the website and on the last page of this newsletter.

#### From the Baronial Policy and Procedures manual, Section II, Item J:

- 1. All officers are encouraged to appoint at least one deputy. There shall only be one designated "drop dead" deputy per office.
- 2. All "drop dead" deputy officers must be paid members of the SCA, Inc.
- 3. A single designated deputy officer shall count towards quorum in the absence of the Baronial officer.
- 4. A single designated deputy officer shall automatically receive the proxy of his/her superior officer at Baronial Business Meetings, if said deputy is in attendance and the Baronial officer is not.



#### From the Chatelaine:

I have had a demo request from the Macculloch Hall Museum. They would like to have two fencers put on a demonstration for 45 minutes to an hour on *Saturday, May 12th* anytime between 2:00 PM and 3:30 PM. We are also required to have a marshal participate, so I am looking for two fencers and a fencing marshal to volunteer. The demonstration is for children and the event has the theme of "Pirates of the Caribbean".

Please email me as soon as you can if you are willing to volunteer.

Site web site: http://www.maccullochhall.org/about.html

It sounds like a beautiful site with a historic garden. They have this event with different themes every year in May when the garden is particularly beautiful, I am told.

YIS, Sof'ia Chatelaine, Settmour Swamp <a href="mailto:chatelaine@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org">chatelaine@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org</a>

## **Practices and Activities**

#### **Archery Practice**

Starting in April, the Pittstown archery practice will be held on Tuesday nites. Start time is 6:30 PM. Contact Elizabeth at <a href="mailto:hawkwoode@att.net">hawkwoode@att.net</a> for information and directions. If anyone wants to shoot any other night during the week or on the weekend, contact Elizabeth to make arrangements.

Archery practice is also scheduled at the youth fighter practice scheduled for April 29<sup>th</sup> in Flemington, NJ.

#### **Arts & Sciences Activities**

April 18th, 7:30 PM, St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 346 High Street (Rt 609), Hope, NJ. Contact fafnir62@yahoo.com for information.

#### **Dance Practice**

April 17<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 PM, Cranford Community Center, 224 Walnut Ave., Cranford, NJ

#### **Fencing Practice**

Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, 1:30 to 4:00 PM, St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Rt. 31, Flemington, NJ

#### **Youth Fighter Practice**

Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, if there's no conflict with a major holiday, church function or local SCA event. 1:30 to 4:00 PM, St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Rt. 31, Flemington, NJ

#### **Settmour Swamp Fighter Practice**

Wednesdays 6:30 PM – 10:00 PM, Nutley, NJ

It costs money to rent this site, a \$5.00 donation is requested. If you have questions, please email Sir Tanaka Raiko at salvacion\_hank@hotmail.com. If you get lost, Tanaka's pager is 201-232-9337.

Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, 1:30 PM – 4:00 PM at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Flemington, NJ



# Currently On Exhibit

#### Franklin Institute of Science - Philadelphia, PA

Tutankhamen and The Golden Age of the Pharoahs – For the first time in 30 years, the golden artifacts of the boy-king have left their home in Egypt. The exhibition includes 130 objects from the tomb of King Tut and other Valley of the Kings ancestors which have never been seen in the United States. The famous death mask is not allowed to leave Egypt and is not part of the exhibit. Exhibit runs from February, 2007 through September 30, 2007.

#### The Higgins Armory Museum - Worcester, MA

Dueling Treatises: Martial Arts Manuals in Medieval & Renaissance Europe Exhibit runs through August, 2007. Included are original artifacts and printed materials.

## Directions to Practices

#### Youth Fighter Practice - St. Paul's Church, Flemington

St Paul's is on Rt. 31 in Flemington, next door to the Hunterdon Medical Center, two miles north of the Flemington Circle

#### From Route 287

Go I-287 to US-202 (Exit 17), go southwest on US-202 to Flemington, NJ. Make first right in circle to get on NJ-31 North. Follow signs to Hospital. Make first left past hospital onto Gaunt Place, church is on left.

#### From Route 78 in Pennsylvania

Go East on I-78 to NJ-31 (Exit 17). Go South on NJ-31.

Follow signs for Hospital. Turn right onto Gaunt Place, church is on left.

#### From New Jersey Turnpike

South to I-78 West/New Jersey Tpke Ext East Ramp towards Exits 14 To 14C/Cars-Trucks-Buses. Merge onto I-78 West Ramp. Take I-78 Express Lane West towards Garden State Parkway/Clinton. I-78 Express Lane West becomes I-78 West. Take I-287 (Exit 29) towards Somerville (US-202/206). Merge onto I-287 South ramp. Merge onto I-287 S. Take the US-202 South/US-206 South exit (Exit 17) towards Somerville (US-22 W)/Flemington. Stay straight, get on US-202 South until you reach Flemington. Take first right on circle to stay on NJ-31 North. Follow signs to hospital, make the first left after the hospital onto Gaunt Place. Church is on left.

#### From Garden State Parkway

Go North on Garden State Pkwy (Portions toll) to I-195 (Exit 98).

Go West on I-195 to I-295.

Go North on I-295 to I-95 South.

Go South on I-95 South to NJ-31 (Exit 4).

Go Northwest on NJ-31 to Flemington

Take first right on circle to stay on NJ-31 North, follow signs to Hospital. Make first left after the hospital onto Gaunt Place, church is on left.

#### From Philadelphia:

Go North on I-95 North to New Jersey.

Go North on I-95 North to NJ-31 (Exit 4).

Go Northwest on NJ-31 to Flemington

Go 1/2 way around circle to stay on NJ-31 North, follow signs to Hospital. Make first left after the hospital onto Gaunt Place, church is on left.

#### **Nutley Fighter Practice**

Note: Many of the exit ramps from Rt. 3 are sharp curves.

#### From NJ Route 3, Essex/Passaic County (East or West):

Take the Main Ave, Nutley-Passaic exit. At the bottom of the ramp, make left onto Main. Go past Bradlees to the next light, make a right onto Kingsland. Go to the first light and turn left onto Franklin. At the third light make a right onto Chestnut. Go one block and make left onto Hillside Crescent. The church is on the left-hand side; park on the street.

Alternate directions that will help you avoid traffic:

#### From the South:

Take the Garden State Parkway to Exit 151. At the end of the ramp turn right onto Watchung Ave. At the next light make a left onto East Passaic Ave. Take your second right onto Coeyman Ave. Make the first right onto Bromley Place. Bromley Place turns into Glenview Place. You will come to a stop sign at Ridge Road right after a curve (be careful). Continue straight and Glenview becomes Chestnut St. Continue straight through the traffic light at Bloomfield Ave.\* At the top of the hill at Prospect Street Chestnut jogs to the right. Continue on Chestnut. Take the next right onto Hillside Crescent. The church will be on the left after the curve.

#### From Route 3 Westbound

Take the Passaic Ave exit. At the end of the ramp, make a left onto Passaic Ave. Follow directions from \*\* below

#### From Route 3 Eastbound:

Take the Passaic Ave exit. Stay to the right and merge with Ward Ave. At the next intersection (50 ft or so), make a left onto Passaic Ave.

\*\*Passaic Ave turns into Cathedral Ave. Stay to the right at the fork in the road. At the end of Cathedral, make a right onto Kingsland St. Take the first left onto Bloomfield Ave. (across from Roche, at the railroad tracks). Take Bloomfield Ave. to the traffic light at Chestnut St. This should be the second traffic light. (Chestnut is one of those). The three streets on the left before Chestnut are Raymond Ave., Beech St. and Mountainview Ave. Continue from \* above.



# From the Canton of Gryphonwald

Gryphonwald monthly meetings continue! If you are in the Middlesex County area and are interested in attending, meetings are the fourth Thursday of the month (except August). Contact Eva Vach Gwyllt at gryphonwald-exchequer@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org for directions and information.

# From the Canton of Marwick

Monthly populace meetings and Dance Practice are held on second Tuesdays of each month at the Cranford Community Center, 7:30 PM. The next meeting is on April 17. Workshops are not held regularly, but on an as-desired basis. If there is a topic that you would like to learn more about, or which you can teach others, please contact the seneschal. Topics include, but are by no means restricted to, cooking, sewing, embroidery, woodworking, armoring, heraldry and persona research.



# Baronial Business Meeting

The next meeting will be held April 11 at 7:30 PM at the home of Eric Le Claire, in Highbridge, NJ. For directions, contact the baronial seneschal.

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