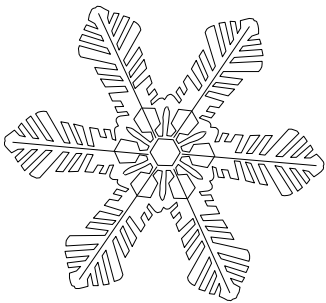
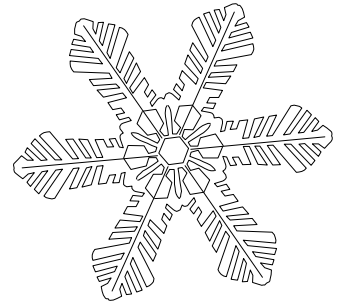


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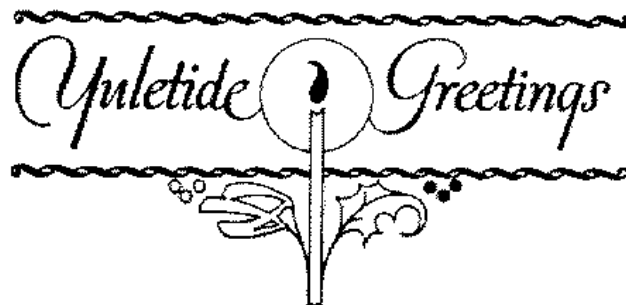


December

- 6 Mistletoe Revel, Anniversary Gala & Great Garb Schola, Barren Sands (Margate, NJ)
- 10 Baronial officers' meeting at Eleanor Callaghan's in Somerset, 7:30 PM
- 14 Weapons practice, archery, St. Paul's Church (Flemington, NJ) 1:30 PM
- 13 (RP) Barony of Bakhail Yule, Bakhail (Clifton Heights, PA)**
- 16 Canton of Marwick meeting, Calvary Lutheran Church (Cranford, NJ)
- 17 Tir Mynydd meeting, Hope, NJ
- 20 *Deadline for Mudpuppy submissions*
- 28 Canton of Gryphonwald meeting (Highland Park, NJ)

January

- 10 (RP) East Kingdom Twelfth Nite, Rusted Woodlands (Washingtonville, NY)**
- 11 Weapons practice, archery, St. Paul's Church (Flemington, NJ) 1:30 PM
- 14 Baronial officers' meeting, 7:30 PM
- 21 Tir Mynydd meeting, Hope, NJ
- 24 Bellringers, Carillion (Leonardo, NJ)
- 24 (RP) King & Queen's Bardic Champions, Concordia (Scotia, NY)**
- 25 *Deadline for Mudpuppy submissions*





*G*reetings from Alexander and Rhiannon Baron and Baroness of Settmour Swamp.

We would like to thank every one who worked hard to make Seraglio happen: our autocrats Lady Dima, Lady Gabrielle an Ruadh and Lady Rummi: and to the head cook who prepared a wonderful feast, Lady Siobhna ap Prechainn and her crew. We will leave it to the Autocrats and head cook for the complete list of thank yours. We greatly enjoyed the live music and dancing during feast and judging the various insults between the blues and greens. It was interesting to see just how insulting Swampies can be, hmmm.

On November 22nd we traveled to the cold north to visit our neighbors in Rusted Woodlands on the occasion of their 100 minutes war. While there were many highlights to the day our favorite moments were when our Champion of Arms Lord Erich Hundeman was inducted into the Order of the Tygers Combatant and when Lord Alexander Younger (McRuss) was inducted into the Order of the Maunche during court.

At the December business meeting we will be having an election for a new Baronial exchequer. This is a vital office in the Barony and we cannot exist as a group without an Exchequer. If you are interested at all please let our current Exchequer Lady Gwenhwyvar Telynores or our Seneschal Lord Erec L'Claire know. The meeting is on the 2nd Wednesday of December. At the same meeting we will be selecting an Autocrat and head cook for the upcoming Quest event. If you have any interest in autocrating or cooking Quest please let our Seneschal know.

Now that the weather has turned colder and the swamp is freezing over it is time to focus on indoor activities. There will be various workshops going on around the Barony. Baroness Rhiannon will be continuing her Baronial favor workshops mixing in some Queen's favors as well. Not all workshops need to be about favors. If you have a workshop in mind that you would like to see or run, please let us know. In Marwick Donà Emeline Patterson is starting up a branch of the East Kingdom brewers guild within the barony. If you are a brewer or just interested in learning about brewing please contact her. You do not need to live in Marwick to go to the meeting. I believe the next Brewing workshop will be on cordials. Check with Donà Emeline for when it will be held. Mistress Jessa will be holding a dance practice at the December Marwick meeting so people can learn or just brush up on the dances for East Kingdom Twelfth Night in January.

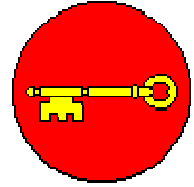
Plans for Mudthaw are well underway. If you would like to help please contact our Autocrat Lord Owynn Greenwood to offer your assistance.

We would like to wish you all a happy, healthy and safe holiday season, no matter what holidays you observe.

Alexander & Rhiannon

FROM THE SENESCHAL:

Notice of Upcoming Officer Elections December, January, February



In accordance with Baronial Policy and Procedure, the following Baronial offices' are scheduled for election in December, 2008 and January and February, 2009:

December - Exchequer – *Baronial Treasurer, maintains baronial funds and accounts*

January – Herald – *Responsible for organizing and running baronial court; provides assistance to members with name selection and device design.*

February – Chancellor Minor – *Organizes activities for children and teenagers*
Mistress of Lists – *In charge of running heavy weapons tournaments at events*

All gentles interested in being considered for any of these offices must attend the officers' meeting at which the election will take place. The incumbent officer must also be present. Please e-mail the baronial seneschal prior to the meeting with your intention to seek that office. Candidates will have the opportunity to address the officers and answer questions.

NOTE: Some positions require an individual to be warranted. For more information, please contact the incumbent officer for the office in which you are interested.

Results of November Election

Lady Jeannine de Flandres was elected Mistress of Arts and Sciences replacing Lady Elisabeth Eleanor Lovell.

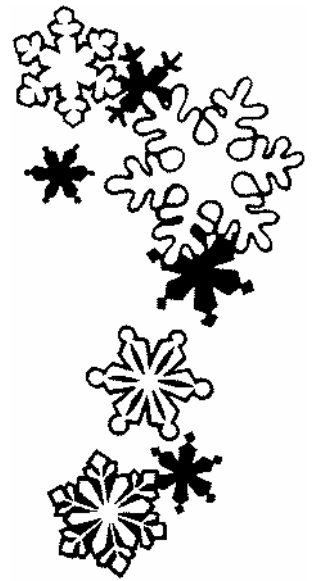
Thorlaeifr Hvitkegg was elected Captain of Archers replacing Jeannine de Flandres.

The following officers were reaffirmed in their positions for another two year term:

Lady Gudrun Gudmunderdottir – Chamberlain
Baroness Elizabeth Hawkwood – Chronicler
Lady Eleanor Callaghan - Webmistress

The barony thanks all the officers, incoming and outgoing, for their service, past, present and future.
Vivat!

Officer Reports Presented At the November Business Meeting



Arts & Sciences

I have received the A&S supplies from Elizabeth.

Captain of Archers

Many of the barony's archers attended and helped out at Ghost, Ghouls & Goblins. Practices will continue weather permitting, so please come out and shoot.

Chamberlain

The inventory went out on Saturday, 11/9/08, for the preparation of the Seraglio feast so let it be known that food will happen.

When we were going through boxes and tubs looking for what Trixie needed we found a box of books, mostly paperback novels from what I could see. There was also a woven basket with pencils in the same box, anybody know anything about that? Also, we found the troll box with a can of money from Pennsic. Trixie took the box so she could either deliver it to the officers meeting or bring it to the event, but the can of money was left out of the box & is sitting in my garage. I discovered it after she left. There doesn't seem to be a vast amount of money, I only saw a few ones, but I would love to get it out of my garage. The can is marked something about Pennsic shower money.

Robin needs the banners & some kind of road signs that might be in my garage, but I can't guarantee I will make the meeting so if anyone is going to be in my neck of the woods between now and Seraglio, could they please try to swing by here to pick up the stuff? Of course, if I get home in time to make the meeting on Wednesday I will certainly bring everything with me, but school has been running late these days, I have a lot of projects that I have to work on there and so I have been staying until at least 5:30 or 6:00 most nights, and even as late as 7:00 at times. I need to plan on a minimum of 1-1/2 hours to make it to Galefridus' house and that doesn't account for lost time.

As far as the position of Chamberlain, if no one comes forward wanting the job, I will continue on if it is the will of my barony. I am here to serve the barony and my baron and baroness in any way I am able.

Chancellor Minor

No report

Chatelaine

I have nothing to report this month. Haven't spoke to anyone new or heard of any Demos. I don't know about Gabi, she usually emails you herself. Has anyone heard of any Demos that they want to do?
Chatelainely Yours, Morgaine

Greetings! I have very little to report this month. I have had one internet inquiry (the new guy Eric who is posting on Marwick) and that's it. My co-chatelaine and I are busy with the final preparations for Seraglio which is going to be an amazing event!!! In service, Lady Gabrielle Gealbhain an Ruadh

Chirurgion

To the best of my knowledge, the Populace of Settmour Swamp stayed safe and healthy during the month of October. Master Phillip Reed the Facetious served as a chirurgion at Crown Tourney in the Shire of Glenn Linn.

Chronicler

The November issue has been distributed. As always, it has also been uploaded to the Yahoo Group in word and pdf formats. With the holidays approaching, please let me know of any changes to scheduled meetings and practices for the month of December so that I may publish accurate information. Nothing else to report.

Exchequer

No report

Herald

No report

Knight Marshall

No report

Youth Combat Marshall

From Baron Mitchell: While the turnout was less than I'd hoped, we're going to try this again next month and see if a little more advanced warning doesn't bring up the attendance a bit.

Thank you's go out to Sir Corwin and Lady Ellesbeth for running the Youth Combat, and to my Baron and Baroness, Alexander and Rhiannon, for their support of my attempts to foster the arts martial within the Youth of their Barony.

Hope to see more folks when we do this again next month, on the second Sunday. I'll send out reminders as the date gets nearer.

Mistress of Lists

Nothing to report.

Marshall of Fence

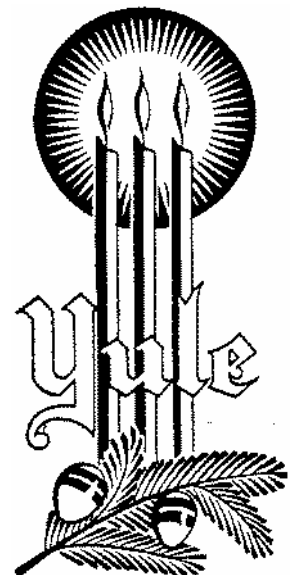
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Marshal of Thrown Weapons-

No report

Webmistress

No report



Practices and Activities

Archery Practice

Second and fourth Sunday, St. Paul's Church, Flemington, NJ.

Weekends in Pittstown. Anyone interested in shooting, please contact Elizabeth Hawkwood at hawkwoode@att.net or call 908-996-6315 for directions and information.

Arts & Sciences Activities

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

Dance Practice

Third Tuesday, 7:15 PM. The Canton of Marwick hosts practice at the Calvary Lutheran Church in Cranford. Anyone who would like to learn medieval/renaissance dances, whether you live in the Barony or a neighboring group, is welcome to attend.

Fencing Practice

Thursdays from 7:30PM to 10:00PM, Somerset, NJ. Location is Maestro Fencing, 217 W Main St, Somerville, NJ 08876 **NOTE FEE INCREASE.** There is a **\$5.00** site fee to cover the cost of using the facility. This increase is a result of the owner increasing the rental fee. Contact Sebastian Estevan de Xavier for more information via email at Xavier1101@yahoo.com or call 732-742-8882.

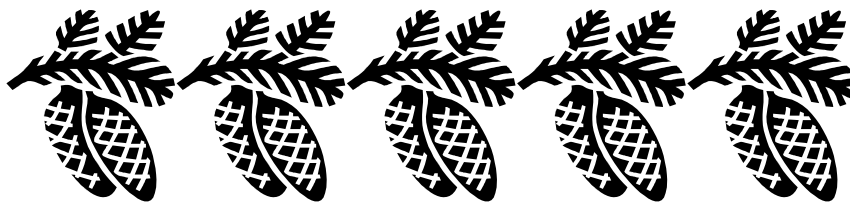
Youth Fighter Practice

Currently not scheduled. Please contact Angus Sutherland at 908-284-2614 or email him at minor@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org for current information.

Fighter Practice

Wednesdays 6:30PM to 10:00PM, Nutley, NJ. A \$5.00 donation is requested to help defray the cost of the site rental. 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.

Thursdays, 7:30PM to 9:30PM, St. Paul's Church, Flemington, NJ.



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. Directions are on line or contact Angus Sutherland at 908-284-2614 or email minor@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org

Fighter Practice - Reformed Church of Nutley, Nutley

The church is on Hillside Crescent, Nutley, NJ. Directions are on line or contact Sir Tanaka Reiko at salvacion_hank@hotmail.com.

Fencing Practice – Maestro Fencing, Somerset

Maestro Fencing is at 217 W Main St, Somerville, NJ 08876 Directions are available on line or contact Sebastian Estevan de Xavier via email at Xavier1101@yahoo.com or call 732-742-8882.

Dance Practice - Calvary Lutheran Church, Cranford. The church is at 108 Eastman Street (on the corner of Eastman and Holly) For information and directions contact Jessa at mlecin@gmail.com or call her at 732-563-1029.



Baronial Business Meeting

The meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 10 at the home of Lady Eleanor Callaghan in Somerset. For directions and more information, contact the baronial seneschal via email for more details.

From the Canton of Gryphonwald

Gryphonwald meetings are held the fourth Sunday of the month. Contact the Gryphonwald seneschal, Lord Pippin a'Bheithir at gryphonwald@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org for details.

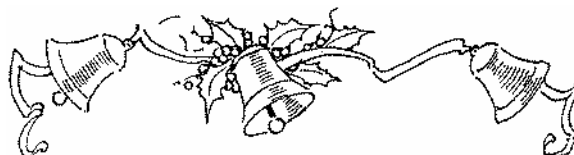
From the Canton of Marwick

The Canton will be meeting on Tuesday, December 16 at Calvary Lutheran Church in Cranford at 7:15 PM. For more details and directions, contact the seneschal, Lord Edmund Patterson at 908-561-2345 or email him at clost95@aol.com

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