

# THE MUDPUPPY



*The Newsletter of  
the Barony of Settmour Swamp*

*February A.S. XLIII*

# Calendar of Events

## February

- 8 Weapons practice, archery, St. Paul's Church (Flemington, NJ) 1:30 PM  
11 Baronial officers' meeting at the home of Mistress Jessa and Sir Mitchell,  
(Bound Brook, NJ) 7.30 PM  
14 Noisemakers Schola, Iveyinrust (Clifton Heights, PA)  
17 Marwick meeting, (Cranford, NJ)  
18 Tir Mynydd meeting, (Hope, NJ)  
**21 (RP) A Season of Change, 2<sup>nd</sup> Barony of Iron Bog Investiture, Iron Bog  
(Mt. Laurel, NJ)**  
22 Weapons practice, archery, St. Paul's Church (Flemington, NJ) 1:30 PM  
25 *Deadline for Mudpuppy submissions*  
**28 (RP/HP) King & Queen's Fencing Championship, Bhakail (Media, PA)**  
28 Winter War XII, Northern Outpost (Potsdam, NY)

## March

- 7 (HP) Princess Gabriella's Challenge, Eisental (Bethlehem, PA)  
7 Celtic Winter Games, Carillion (Forked River, NJ)  
8 Weapons practice, archery, St. Paul's Church (Flemington, NJ) 1:30 PM  
11 Baronial officers' meeting, 7:30 PM  
17 Marwick meeting, (Cranford, NJ)  
18 Tir Mynydd meeting, (Hope, NJ)  
21 Nova Schola, Hartshorn Dale (Blue Bell, PA)  
22 Weapons practice, archery, St. Paul's Church (Flemington, NJ) 1:30 PM  
25 *Deadline for Mudpuppy submissions*  
**28 (RP/HP) Mudthaw, Kings & Queens Champion of Arms and Arts & Sciences Champions,  
Settmour Swamp (Livingston, NJ)**

## April

- 11 Coronation of Andreas and Gabriella, Nordenhalle (Kingston, NY)



# Unto the Populace of the Barony of Settmour Swamp Do Alexander and Rhiannon Send Greetings,

While the winter weather prevented us from attending East Kingdom 12th night due to the date change, we were able to travel south and help the Barony of Carillion celebrate its Baronial birthday at Bellringers. They had an amusing Bowling for Peers game early in the day and a rather impressive Medieval Marshmallow Siege Engine contest. Over all a very fun day.

Mudthaw is ONLY two months away, and this year has even more going on than usual, being the site of the Kingdom Heavy Weapons tournament and the E K Arts and Sciences Championship. Consequently we need more help than usual so please volunteer your services for even an hour to our Autocrat Owynn Greenwood. Do not wait! Get your feast reservations in ASAP. You would not want to miss Lady Charis's feast.

Right behind Mudthaw is of course Quest when the Swamp gets to kick back and relax and have fun for the weekend of Memorial Day. But please remember it takes a lot to put any event together and have it run smoothly so a little help here would also be appreciated. Our autocrats will be Pdraig and Eric the Horseman. Elisabetta will be running the Quest with a theme of Dante's Inferno. Cooking this year will be Riordan. Let them know if you can help out.

On February 8th at the Flemington practice Rhiannon will be having a favor workshop. All are welcome to come out and help make favors for the Barony and for her Highness. On February 22nd, we would like to hold a Pennsic meeting to review the ideas proposed at the end of war last year for the new camp layout. If you have ideas on this please try to attend. If you cannot, please send us your ideas so we can go over them.

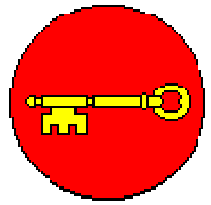
Speaking of Pennsic, we need a land agent and a camp coordinator (camp mommy). The land agent MUST be on site for land grab and needs to have access to e-mail. This year's Pennsic party falls on August 6th, 2009, 30 years to the day of the first meeting of the incipient shire of Settmour Swamp held on August 6<sup>th</sup>, 1979. We are planning on a blow out 30th Birthday party for the Swamp. Any and all ideas are welcome!

Yours in Service,

*Alexander and Rhiannon*  
*Baron and Baroness Settmour Swamp*



## *FROM THE SENESCHAL:*



### *Notice of Officer Elections Scheduled for February*

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

The election for Herald, which was scheduled for the January meeting, has been postponed and will be held during the February officers' meeting.

**February – Chancellor Minor** – Organizes activities for children and teenagers

**Mistress of Lists** – In charge of running heavy weapons tournaments at events

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

All gentles interested in being considered for any of these offices must attend the February officers' meeting. 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.



### *Volunteers Needed for Troll at Mudthaw*

Greetings to All!

With Mudthaw fast approaching, many volunteers are needed to help lighten the burden and ensure that the event runs smoothly. As you all know, we have the added honor of hosting the King and Queen's Heavy Weapon's Championships and their Arts and Sciences Championships. Visit the event website for details: <http://www.mudthaw.org>

I have assumed responsibility for coordinating and running the gate for this event. I am in need of volunteers to staff the tables from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM in two hour shifts. The busiest time will be from 9:00 AM until noon and when the most manpower will be needed. This year pre-registration and day of event registrations will be located on opposite sides of the hall. This should help the congestion that will undoubtedly occur in the early hours of the event.

Please contact me at [hawkwoode@att.net](mailto:hawkwoode@att.net) if you are able to volunteer some of your time. Let me know your preferred shift and if you want to work the pre-reg or day of registration table.

I look forward to hearing from you.

*Baroness Elizabeth Hawkwood*

# *Officer Reports Presented at the January Business Meeting*

## **Herald**

Heraldry happened again as I got caught up from my attack of real life. I have all but one of the submissions people asked about turned around and done now. They'll be on the January internal commenting cycle.

I'll be running a consulting table at 12th Night for anyone who wants a name and device. I'd like to do one at Mudthaw too, assuming there's room amid everything else.

I am head of the heraldic staff for Andreas & Gabriella again. Anyone who is interested in seeing what it's like to put a Royal Court together should talk to me. Even if you don't want to read scrolls, there's a lot of work behind the scenes.

I'm teaching a court heraldry how-to class at Noisemakers in Bhakail in February. This is another great chance for people who think they are interested to get some hands-on experience.

If there's enough interest, I'll do another book heraldry class at Flemington one Sunday, but I need to know whether there's enough interest.

## **Knight Marshall**

Practice at Nutley has resumed as of January 7th after the Holiday Break. Practices are scheduled to resume at Flemington, barring conflicts with the Church, on the second and fourth Sundays. Nothing else to report.

## **Exchequer**

Here's what's going on re the Exchequership:

1. I should receive the last statement of the year in the next few days. (I don't have it yet, so I can't give you any figures tonight.
2. When I get it, I'll E-mail you my last report.
3. Also, as soon as I get that statement, I'm going to do the last quarterly report, and start on the EOY.
4. Trixie Emailed me a couple of days ago asking when we should get together to effect the transfer. I said this weekend would be good, but have not had confirmation from her yet. I will try and contact her to confirm.
5. When Trixie and I get together, we'll Email Molly informing her of the changeover.
6. Trixie will need to write Molly to be warranted, and probably will have to send a copy of her drivers' license or ID.
7. Once that is completed, she can initiate the procedure for a new signature card.

## **Chronicler**

The January issue has been distributed. I received one check for a renewal of a paper subscription. No new electronic subscribers.

## **Arts & Sciences**

Not much to report. I am looking into project ideas in the hopes to get some classes or sew fests going in the new year.

## **Mistress of Lists**

No report

### **Chatelaine**

We've had a few new inquiries; Gabi is doing her "e-thing" with them. If anyone has ideas for demos please e-mail us with them. Most propositions entertained, remembering that this is a family friendly show.

Greetings! I have very little to report for December. I have had two internet inquiries and responded and have been emailing back and forth with them. I will be submitting the Baronial Chatelaine Report (I will email you a copy) on January 10<sup>th</sup>. Other than that, it's been a quiet month in the office of the Baronial Chatelaine!

### **Marshall of Fence**

No report

### **Captain of Archers**

Archers are hibernating

### **Marshal of Thrown Weapons-**

No report

### **Chirurgion**

Folks stayed safe and healthy this month, to the best of my knowledge.

### **Chamberlain**

Nothing to report, no changes since last month.

### **Webmistress**

No report



## **Medieval Sunday – February 8, 2009 Glencairn Museum, Bryn Athyn, Pennsylvania**

*Medieval Art in the Making: An Illuminating Afternoon*

*Sunday, February 8, 1:00 to 5:00 pm (Snow date February 15)*

Watch stained glass windows being painted and a replica Gutenberg-style 1550s printing press in action.

Glencairn Museum is open for guided highlight tours every Saturday. The museum's first floor, including the Great Hall and Upper Hall is open every Saturday free of charge from 11:00AM to 2:30 PM. This past fall the museum was designated a National Historic Landmark.

Medieval art comprises the largest and most significant collection at Glencairn Museum. The core of the collection consists of some 600 objects, mostly French sculpture and stained glass spanning the years 1100-1300. The Museum has two medieval galleries and many works of stained glass and sculpture are installed in the Great Hall. There is also an Egyptian Gallery and a Roman Gallery, which includes two sarcophagi.

## *Practices and Activities*

### **Archery Practice**

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

Weekends in Pittstown (October thru end of March), weather permitting. Anyone interested in shooting, please contact Elizabeth Hawkwood at [hawkwoode@att.net](mailto: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](mailto: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 7:30 PM to 10:00 PM at Maestro Fencing, 217 W Main St, Somerville, NJ 08876 There is a \$5.00 site fee to cover the cost of using the facility. Contact Sebastian Estevan de Xavier for more information via email at [Xavier1101@yahoo.com](mailto:Xavier1101@yahoo.com) or call 732-742-8882.

### **Youth Fighter Practice**

Practice will held one Sunday each month at St. Paul's Church in Flemington, NJ. Please contact Angus Sutherland at 908-284-2614 or email him at [minor@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org](mailto: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](mailto:salvacion_hank@hotmail.com). If you get lost, Tanaka's pager is 201-232-9337.

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



## ***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](mailto: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](mailto:salvacion_hank@hotmail.com).

### **Fencing Practice – Maestro Fencing, Somerset**

Maestro Fencing is at 217 W Main St, Somerville, NJ. Directions are available on line or contact Sebastian Estevan de Xavier via email at [Xavier1101@yahoo.com](mailto: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](mailto:mlecin@gmail.com) or call her at 732-563-1029.



## ***Baronial Business Meeting***

The meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 11 at the home of Mistress Jessa and Sir Mitchell in Bound Brook. 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](mailto:gryphonwald@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org) for details.

## ***From the Canton of Marwick***

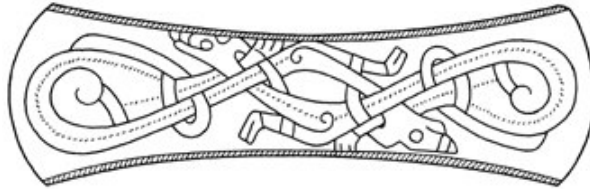
The Canton will meet on Tuesday, February 17 at Calvary Lutheran Church in Cranford at 7:15 PM. For more details and directions, contact the seneschal, Lord Edmund Patterson at 908-561-2345 or email him at [clost95@aol.com](mailto:clost95@aol.com)



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