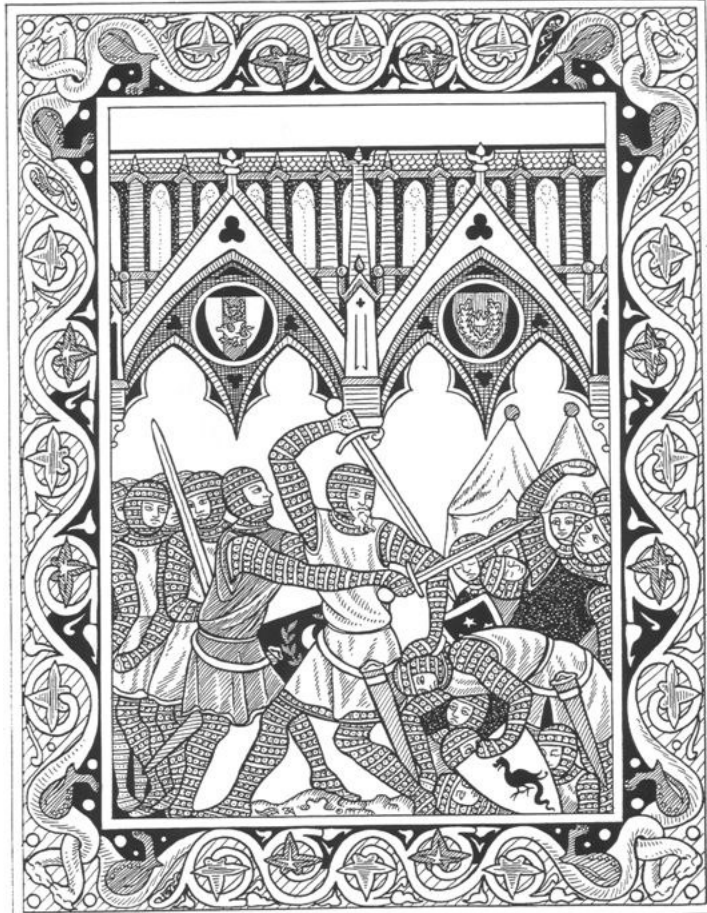


THE MUDPUPPY



*The Newsletter of
the Barony of Settmour Swamp*

OCTOBER A.S. XLIII

Calendar of Events

October

- 4 Bakhail Champions and Commons, Bakhail (Broomall, PA)
- 10 & 12 Imperial Academy of Gunnery, Eisental (Leighton, PA)
- 12 Baronial officers' meeting, 1:30 PM St. Paul's Church (Flemington, NJ)
- 12 Weapons practice, archery, St. Paul's Church (Flemington, NJ) 1:30 PM
- 10-12 Ghosts, Ghouls and Goblins, Carillion (Manalapan, NJ)
- 15 Tir Mynydd meeting, Hope, NJ
- 17-19 Warrior's Naadam II, Ostgardr (Carmel, NY)
- 21 Canton of Marwick meeting, Calvary Lutheran Church (Cranford, NJ)
- 25 *Deadline for Mudpuppy submissions*
- 25 (RP) Crown Tournament, Glen Linn (Lake George, NY)**
- 26 Weapons practice, archery, Flemington, NJ, 1:30 PM
- 26 Gryphonwald meeting (Highland Park, NJ)

November

- 1 Wear Schola III, Shire of Nordenhalle (Kingston, NY)
- 9 Weapons practice, archery, St. Paul's Church (Flemington, NJ) 1:30 PM
- 12 Baronial officers' meeting
- 15 St. Eligius A&S Competition and Schola, Dragonship Haven (Stratford, CT)
- 15 Seraglio, Settmour Swamp, St. Paul's Church (Flemington, NJ)
- 15 Tir Mynydd meeting, Hope, NJ
- 19 Canton of Marwick meeting, Clavary Lutheran Church (Cranford, NJ)
- 22 (RP) 100 Minutes War, Rusted Woodlands (Theills, NY)**
- 23 Weapons practice, archery, St. Paul's Church (Flemington, NJ) 1:30 PM
- 23 Gryphonwald meeting (Highland Park, NJ)



Congratulations

Congratulations to the Southern Region Rapier Champion – Don Andre L'Epervier.

Don Andre was victorious over Lord Brendan Firebow in the finals. Andre bested a field of 20 fencers and suffered only one loss throughout the day. Vivat!

UNTO THE PEOPLE OF SETTMOUR SWAMP DO BARON ALEXANDER AND BARONESS RHIANNON SEND GREETINGS

With fall upon us we will be having more A&S workshops at the Flemington practice. We would like to have some Baronial favor workshops to help make enough of these favors so they can be distributed out to as many members of the Barony as possible. Mistress Elizabeth Talbot is also arranging favor making/embroidery workshops at her home and has sent that information out to the yahoo group list. The dates for the rest of this year will be Friday evenings October 3 and 17, and then to resume in January.

Please keep an eye out for announcements about the Sunday practices. There are a few dates that conflict with church activities that will either need to be cancelled or moved to another location.

Our next field trip will be on October 18 to the J.P. Morgan Library in New York City. We plan to do as we have for our previous excursions (to the Metropolitan Museum and the Cloisters) and find our own transportation to the museum and meet at the front entrance when it opens. We usually stay together and drift into smaller groups several times during the day as the spirit takes us and we usually regroup for lunch. And then, of course, Rhiannon can usually be found in the gift shop. Let Rhiannon or Alexander know if you want to join us so we can meet you there.

Our next event will be Seraglio to be held on Saturday, November 15th at St. Paul's Church in Flemington. Lady Morgaine will be autocratting and Lady Siobhna will be preparing a delicious feast for the evening. Seraglio tends to sell out fast, so please get your reservations in ASAP. See the event announcement else where in the Mudpuppy.

Mark your calendars: Mudthaw will be held on March 28th, 2009. Lord Owynn Greenwood will be autocratting and Lady Charis will be head cook. Mudthaw is a large event and needs a large staff. If you would like to offer to help at Mudthaw please contact Lord Owynn.

We have a number of officer positions coming up for election over the next few months. Positions and dates of the election will be published in the Mudpuppy and published to the e-mail lists. If you want more information regarding the elections, please contact the Baronial Seneschal, Lord Erec L'Claire.

Also coming up soon we will need to find an autocrat, cook and quest author for Quest this coming May. If you are interested in any of these positions, make sure Lord Erec has your bid by the November meeting.

See you soon,

Rhiannon and Alexander
Baroness and Baron, Settmour Swamp



FROM THE SENESCHAL:

Notice of Election

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

Arts and Sciences – Fosters A & S research and activities
Archery – In charge of archery activity within the barony
Chronicler – Produces the monthly baronial newsletter
Chamberlain – Maintains the inventory of baronial assets
Webmaster – Maintains the baronial webpage

The election will take place at the November business meeting scheduled for Wednesday, November 12.

All gentles interested in being considered for any of these offices must attend the November meeting. The incumbent officers 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 any office in which you are interested.



Baronial Excursion Scheduled The J. P Morgan Library and Museum 225 Madison Avenue New York, New York

On October 18th the Baron and Baroness, with several members of the Barony, will visit the J. P. Morgan Library and Museum in New York City.

Located in midtown Manhattan at Madison Avenue & 36th Street, the Morgan houses one of the world's greatest collections of artistic, literary and musical works, from ancient times to the medieval and Renaissance periods to the present day. The museum is a complex of buildings, comprised of the main structure, the Annex and a mid-nineteenth century brownstone. A garden court connects the buildings. In 2006 the Museum underwent an expansion and 75,000 square feet were added.

The medieval manuscript collection at the museum spans ten centuries of Western illumination. It includes more than eleven hundred manuscripts, as well as papyrus fragments from Egypt and the Near East. On exhibit are the ninth-century Lindau Gospels, the tenth-century Beatus, the Hours of Catherine of Cleves, and the Hours of Cardinal Alessandro Farnese, the best-known Italian Renaissance manuscript.

Officer Reports Presented At the September Business Meeting

Arts & Sciences

No report

Captain of Archers

We have had a few practices at the church, though attendance has been down. The other practices also continue. At Pennsic our archers shot very well. Practices will continue as long as the weather holds

Chamberlain

No report

Chancellor Minor

No report

Chatelaine

We have had a nice wave of newcomers looking for information! Lady Morgaine and I have been fielding the requests for information and I have three newcomers who said they will be attending Victorian Days.

One of the newcomers is in Tir Mynydd and is a fighter (a SCAdian who recently moved to the Barony). Two others are up north as well.

I have been keeping records of inquiries and have been sending information to newcomers immediately. I send out follow up emails every so often to let people know that we are here if/when questions arise. I have been sending them emails about events and demos as well.

That's all from your friendly neighborhood chatelaines!

Chirurgion

July and August were safe, healthy months for the Barony. I treated a few minor injuries in camp at Pennsic, but that was about it. One Chirurgion-in- Training (Richenda de Honneflo) has been added to the roster; she served with me at Pennsic at the Bridge battle. Baronial chirurgions served in the following capacities outside the Barony: Master Philip Reed the Facetious: Pennsic War: Deputy War Chirurgion; Dom. Galefridus Peregrinus: Pennsic War: two shifts at First Aid Point, three battles (Gates of Rome, Woods, and Bridge)

Chronicler

The September issue has been distributed. Nothing new to report.

Exchequer

No report

Herald

No report

Knight Marshall

Practices at Nutley and Flemington have resumed. The Cub Scout pack that has used the Church has, after seeing a practice, requested that some fighters show up at their recruitment night in Flemington on September 23 and at their Camp Out at Round Valley on Oct 11th. Sir Jan, Lord Erec and I have agreed to help out. I will put out a call for any other fighters who might like to attend and help out.

Mistress of Lists

Nothing to report

Marshall of Fence

Fencing continues at Maestro Fencing in Somerville on Thursdays. We have not been informed yet that the building has been rented or sold to new owners. Practices on Sundays in Flemington happen if we can get a marshal to be present. I will work with the local fencing marshals to get more coverage for this. There was a lot of fencing at Pennsic. Our local marshals served as Rapier Marshal in charge of War (Antonio), and many of the local marshals took shifts running the rapier field for the day (Malcolm, Edmund, Emeline, Engracia, myself). Otherwise, all is normal on the rapier front.

Marshal of Thrown Weapons-

Marshall Progress: I am a fully authorized thrown weapons Marshall.

Deputy Update: As of now I am not extremely sure of the status of my deputy, but he hasn't been in touch with me and failed to meet up with me at Pennsic several times. So right now I am in limbo in regard to a deputy.

Southern Region War Camp: I wasn't able to attend this event.

Pennsic 37: A successful event, I worked at the range, fought and made many new friends. I also finished my mashallate and did well running the Pennsic Range.

Roman Days: I will be attending the Roman Days Event and will be working with a variety of thrown weapons.

Webmistress

The website now has a calendar through November, updated fighter practice info, and updated Baronial champions list.





Scraglio
Saturday, November 15th, 2008
Barony of Settmour Swamp
Flemington, NJ

"I do not choose to flee. Those who have worn the crown should never survive its loss. Never shall I see the day when I am not saluted as empress. If you mean to flee, Caesar, well and good. You have the money, the ships are ready, the sea is open. As for me, I shall stay."

--- -Empress Theodora, 532, CE

You have come for a Feast, and a Sumptuous Feast you shall have, but at this Circus, just as at the one in 532 CE Constantinople, you shall have to answer the question: Are you a Blue or are you a Green? Which side do you support? We shall find out during the feast! Keeping in mind the bounds of propriety and taste, please have insults, invectives and other clever bits at the ready to hurl in order to show your opponents that YOUR side has the right of it! Perhaps your allegiance shall even be tested beforehand?

Classes will be held during the day beginning at 1:00 PM and ending at 5:00 PM. Content of the classes will be determined by those who teach; if you would like to teach, please e-mail Lady Rummi at Usagi636@aol.com. Ideally classes will be divided into one-hour spots, but that depends upon the actual classes. If you need more time, just let us know; if your class is shorter, that's fine, too.

The bountiful Byzantine Feast shall be orchestrated by the Lady Siobna ap Prechainn and seating is limited to 80 people.

Seating for the Feast shall be, as tradition dictates, both Eastern and Western-Style. If you know your preference, please send it in with your reservation so we know how many tables to set up, thank you! Bring your carpets and cushions upon which to sit, should you decide to sit Eastern style; they may also be useful to you throughout the day for your comfort.

Byzantine A&S Contest: Begin your Projects anon! Judges to include, of course, the Baron and Baroness, the Mistress of Arts and Sciences, Lady Elisabeth Eleanor Lovell, and others to be named later. It could even be YOU! Projects could have a Byzantine bent, should the Muses thus strike you but all projects will be welcomed!

Children's Activities shall be arranged with the Officer of the Chancellors Minor.

Merchants are welcome and for the small price of \$5, you may use one of our tables. There is room for at least 10 merchants but space is limited. If you need more than one table, please bring your own second table. Please contact Lady Gabrielle an Ruadh at chkmatekng2@aol.com.

Event Schedule:

12:00 Noon – Troll Opens

1:00 PM – 5:00 PM - Classes and/or lolling about, nibbling on noshes, playing instruments, dancing, talking, socializing with friends and those who might so become.

6:00 PM - Feast, socializing, wondrous performances with which to thrill's one's eyes, ears and any other available senses. Court at their Excellencies discretion, and other goings-on of general merriment and happiness. Unlike at that Circus in 532, there shan't be a riot but in the Spirit thereof, there shall be a friendly rivalry betwixt the Blues and the Greens

10:00 PM - After that we shall clean-up

11:00 PM – Depart the building. One need not return to one's home, but one may not tarry here!

Directions:

St. Paul's Church is located along Route 31 in Flemington, next door to the Hunterdon Medical Center, two miles north of the Flemington Circle

From Route 287

Take I-287 to US-202 (Exit 17). Go South 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 (western NJ / PA)

Go East on I-78 to NJ-31 (Exit 17). Take Route 31 South. Follow signs for Hospital; Make right onto Gaunt Place, church is on the left.

From Northeast Jersey/New York City

New Jersey Turnpike south to I-78 West. Take I-78 express lane west towards GARDEN STATE PARKWAY / CLINTON. Merge onto I-78 express lane west. Take exit 29 for I-287 South towards Somerville (RT 202/206). Take exit 17 (202/206 south) towards SOMERVILLE(US-22 W) / FLEMINGTON. Stay straight to go onto US-202 S until you reach Flemington. Take first Right on circle to stay on NJ-31 North. Follow signs to Hospital; Make first Left past Hospital onto Gaunt Place, church is on left.

From Southeast Jersey / Garden State Parkway

Take Parkway North to exit 98 (I-195). Go West on I-195 to I-295 North. Take I-295 North to I-95 South. Take I-95 to exit 4 - Route 31. go North on NJ-31 to Flemington. Take first right on circle to stay on NJ-31 North, follow signs to Hospital. Make first Left past Hospital onto Gaunt Place, church is on left.

From Philadelphia

Take I-95 NORTH to New Jersey, get off at exit 4 - Route 31. Take Rt 31 North to Flemington. At circle, go 1/2 way around to stay on NJ-31 North. Follow signs to Hospital; make first Left past Hospital onto Gaunt Place, church is on left.

Site: St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Route 31 and Gaunt Pl, Flemington, NJ 08822
Site Opens: 12:00 noon, Closes at 11:00 PM

Event Fees:

On-Board: \$16.00 for Adults; \$11.00 for Minors (6-17), Children under 6 free.
Day-trippers: \$8.00 for Adults, \$5.00 for Children (6-17), and Children under 6 free.
Please provide proof of membership, or add the \$3 non-member surcharge.

Reservation Refund policy: If, after sending in a reservation, you are unable to attend, please contact the autocrat before the event. Site fees and merchant fees will be refunded after the event. Feast fees will be refunded if we are able to resell your feast space.

Please include the following with your reservation: Your SCA and mundane names, your membership number, and contact information, should the need arise. Preferably your E-mail address but phone number is fine.

Send reservations to:

Gabi Rosen
17 Dixon Lane
Belle Mead, NJ 08502-4311

Contact Information: ChkMateKng2@aol.com or 908-431-1175

Make Checks Payable to: SCA, Inc - Barony of Settmour Swamp

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Mise En Scene: Lady Lydia FitzWaulter



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 There is a \$3.00 site fee to cover the cost of using the facility. Contact Sebastian Estevan de Xavier for more information via email at Xavier1101@yahoo.com 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.

Settmour Swamp 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 **Sunday, October 12** at St. Paul's Church in Flemington at 1:30 PM. 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.

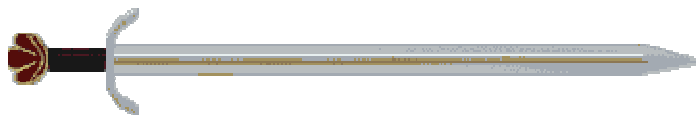
From the Canton of Marwick

The Canton will be meeting on Tuesday, October 21 at Calvary Lutheran Church in Cranford. Start time is 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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