# THE MUDPUPPY



The Newsletter of the Barony of Settmour Swamp

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## Calendar of Events

#### September 2008

September 2000		
4-7	Swamp Thynge – Celtic Garter Wars, Caer Adamant (Middletown, DE)	
9	Baronial business meeting, St. Luke's Church, Hope, NJ, 7:30 PM	
11-13 (RP)	Pointless War, Caer Adamant (Townsend, DE)	
12-13	John Barleycorn, Northpass (Putnam County, NY)	
12	Herbal Symposium, Settmour Swamp (Maplewood, NJ)	
16	Tyr Myndd business meeting, Hope, NJ, 7:30 PM	
18-20	Lakewood Renaissance Faire, Carillion (Lakewood, NJ)	
19 (RP)	Wulfgar's Chivalry Challenge, Owlsherst (Wellsville, PA)	
22	Canton of Marwick meeting, Calvary Lutheran Church, Cranford, NJ, 7:15 PM	
25	Deadline for Mudpuppy submissions	
22-27 (RP)	River War, Iron Bog (Williamstown, NJ)	

For information on the Sunday practices held in Flemington, please contact the baronial seneschal at seneschal@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org

#### October 2008

3 (RP)	Coronation of Konrad and Brenwen, Concordia of the Snows (Albany, NY)
9-11	Warrior's Naadam II, Ostgardr (Carmel, NY)
9-11	Known World Academy of the Rapier/Costuming Symposium, Bakhail
	(Philadelphia, PA)
23-25	Ghosts, Ghouls and Goblins, Carillion (Manalapan, NJ)
25	Deadline for Mudpuppy submissions
31 (RP)	Crown Tournament, Quintavia (Spencer, MA)

#### **About the Cover**

This month's cover is a photo of the Pennsic Arts Exhibition.







## Greetings from Rhiannon and Alexander

Another Pennsic has come and gone. We do hope that everyone who made the journey had a fun and safe war. Swamp camp lived up to its name this year and was a bit of a swamp for most of the two weeks but that did not stop us from enjoying Pennsic. We would like to thank Victoria for being this year's Camp Mommy, you did an outstanding job. Also Lord Eowulf for putting up the shower in record time. Lord Pippin, thank you for helping organize the breakdown of camp.

This year we celebrated Settmour's thirtieth birthday and we were all treated to a surprise when Baroness Magda z Stalburg, the first Baroness of Settmour Swamp, stopped by camp for a visit. It was a true honor to have a chance to meet her and talk about the early Swamp and fill her in on what has been happening over the last thirty years. Her Mudship also joined us in Baronial court.

The Thursday night party was a great success thanks to Baroness Merlinia for organizing the food and Lord Pippin for planning the entertainment and Yagyu no Kagetoki who ran the bar and made two special cocktails to serve at the party, one hot, one cold and both were amazing. Congratulations to everyone who helped to make this year's party the success it was.

Baroness Merlinia will be running Herbal Symposium II on September 12th at the Maplewood Women's Club in Maplewood NJ. This will be an afternoon of classes on all things herbal. We do hope to see many of you there.

Later in September, on the weekend of the 25th the Barony of Bhakail is planning an invasion of the Barony of Iron Bog. We are calling on all fighters, fencers and archers to travel down to River War starting on Friday the 25th in Williamstown, NJ to help defend our brothers and sisters in the wetlands alliance from the army of Bhakail.

On October 24 Lady -Ma'isah al Bahira will be autocrating the Sarab Seraglio Remembered at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Flemington. This will be an intimate afternoon/evening event with a lavish feast and entertainment. Spaces are limited so please get your reservations in as soon as possible.

We look forward to seeing you all in the weeks to come.

Alexander and Rhiannon
Baron and Baroness, Settmour Swamp

## Officer Reports Presented at the July Business Meeting

#### **Herald**

No report

#### **Knight Marshall**

Practices continue with no injuries or untoward events. Lord Erec Hundemann has volunteered his services as Deputy Knight Marshal of the Barony, so I place forward his name for your consideration. He is lately known as our outgoing Champion of Heavy Arms.

#### **Exchequer**

I have had a family emergency and I will be flying to TN very early tomorrow morning. I will be unable to attend the meeting tomorrow night. If there are any expenses that need to be reimbursed, please fill out the reimbursement form on the officer's list and I will get a check to you as soon as possible. If there are any monies that need to be pre-paid, please email or call me and I will get to it as soon as I get back. I will be back in town Sunday evening at the earliest. Thanks everyone!

#### **Chronicler**

The July issue has been distributed. No changes to the subscribers list. The next issue will be published at the end of August.

#### **Arts & Sciences**

No report

#### **Mistress of Lists**

No report

#### Chatelaine

But the point is that I just read about that Proposed Demo in the Camp for Kids with Cancer and I don't see how we can say NO, except that it WOULD be crossed with Pennsic and I REALLY do not know how many Participants that we could realistically expect to get. And for THAT kind of thing, we REALLY would want to put on a really GREAT SHOW and we would NEED, NEED, NEED Fighters, Fencers, in that venue, probably ARCHERs -- the "BIG DRAWS", so to speak. NOT that I am denigrating or downplaying ANYONE else's participation, like the Fiber Arts people, or Dancers or Herbalists because they ARE ALL VERY IMPORTANT to any demo, but for a "SHOW" kind of "Demo". because this really would NOT BE A NORMAL DEMO, at all, but in reality more like a SHOW, those Fighters, etc, are the big draws. Another concern -- it is cutting it a bit close for us to get people together. IF we could get an idea of who is going to be NOT GOING to Pennsic, that would be a big help.

I did want to know what people thought about the new version of the Trifold. I made 125 and gave them all to Alexander for the June 12/13 Demo. I don't think that we have had any bites (of interest from attendees) from that, as of yet, anyhow; that could happen, of course, at ANY time. abi, have you had any inquires? have approximately \$5.50 in change from the \$30 that we requested to do the Trifolds about a million years ago. If anyone wants any more of them, please let me know, but we will need a little more \$\$ from the Barony with which to do it.

#### **Marshall of Fence**

No report

#### **Captain of Archers**

The Union County archery range opened in Clark this past Friday. For someone to register to use the range the cost is 45.00 a year for a Union county adult. For a Union county senior it is 20.00. You would need to present an SCA card and picture id to get the registration card. For a non union county adult it would be 90.00. The range is open from dusk to dawn 365 days a year. You need to bring your own targets. We are going to have another Pennsic practice shoot on July 12th at Flemington. Bring your bows and join the fun.

#### Marshal of Thrown Weapons-

Nothing to report

#### **Chirurgeon**

No report

#### **Chamberlain**

No report

#### Webmistress

No report





Herbal Symposium 99 Maplewood, New Jersey September 12, 2009

Join us for an herbal adventure spanning a thousand years, from Rome to the Renaissance! A day of classes all things herbal is planned, as well as herbal and oil tastings. A light dayboard utilizing herbs and spices will be served all day. Bakers start your ovens--a baking expo is planned; there are two categories: sweets and savories. All breads, cookies, cakes and other baked delights are welcome. Please bring enough for multiple tastings and the Baronial favorites will be announced.

Classes will run from 11 am to 3 pm. The event starts at 10:30 am; teachers and merchants please arrive by 10 am. The site opens at 9 am; contact the autocrat if you need to come early. The classrooms close at 3 pm when a tour will gather to leave for the historic Durand Heddon House Herb Gardens (the site is a 10 minute walk from the event, parking is available if needed.

If you would like to teach, please contact Doma Jadwiga, our teaching coordinator at <u>jenne.heise@gmail.com</u> or 973-304-1921. We can accommodate "clean" and "messy" classes will be approximately an hour long.

Merchants are welcome; there is a \$5 merchant fee. Tables may not be available, so please bring your own if possible. Two tables per merchant (10x10 space). We cannot provide electricity. Please contact Elisabetta (elisabetta@klotz.org) if interested. Also when sending in reservations, please note that you are a merchant and include the \$5 fee. Garb is required. For other questions, please contact the autocrat, Mistress Merlinia at 973-762-2554, before 9pm.

**Site:** Maplewood Women's Club, 60 Woodland Ave, Maplewood, NJ, and is easily accessible from the Maplewood train station (mid-town direct).

Site Opens: 11:00 AM, Closes 5:00 PM

**Fees:** Adult Member: \$10; Adult Non-member: \$13; Child under 18: \$9 (All children must be accompanied and watched by an adult.) Troll will open at 11am and close at 3pm.

**Reservations:** Please send the following information with your reservation: mundane and SCA names for all persons included in the reservation, proof of membership (photocopy of membership card or copy of cover of recent Pikestaff cover with the members name is acceptable), contact information and check or money order made out to SCA Inc., Barony of Settmour Swamp for the total amount of the reservation. All reservations must be postmarked by September 5 and sent to: Settmour Swamp Herbal Symposium, c/o Elizabeth Green, 140 Coburn Ln, Somerset, NJ 08873

Refunds will be available for those unable to attend the event. Please contact Lady Siobhna at <a href="mailto:e.rose.green@gmail.com">e.rose.green@gmail.com</a> before the event to request a refund form. Refunds will not be available after the event.

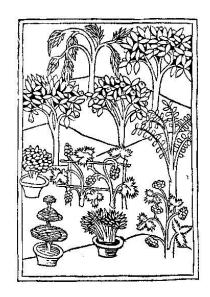
Autocrat: Baroness Merlinia, 973-762-2554, before 9pm

#### **Other Contact Information:**

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## The Sarab Seraglio Remembered St. Paul's Lutheran Church Flemington, New Jersey October 24, 2009



Murmurs of soft voices whisper in your ear, the smoky scents of Amber and Sandalwood waft through the air. Aromas of turmeric and cumin tease your palette while the low throbbing of drums caresses your soul.

Relax and revel in our intimate setting and have your senses titillated by Middle Eastern delights. Join us on Saturday, October 24 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Flemington, NJ. The evening begins with a Hafla and "cocktail hour" featuring live music. You will then enjoy a sumptuous Moroccan-themed feast prepared by Baroness Rhiannon de Carreg Cennen. During the feast you will be entertained by top-notch Middle Eastern dancers. After dinner the floor will be opened to all dancers (time allowing).

This is an afternoon/evening event. Doors open at 4:00pm and the evening will end at 10:00pm. Feast will be served about 5:30 or 6:00. Most seating is on the floor, so please bring a pillow to cushion your backside. There will be some chairs available for those who need them. On-board reservations only and seating is very limited. Reservations are \$15.00 for members and \$18.00 for non-members. There will be no reduced-cost reservations for children.

#### **Autocrat:**

Ma'isah al Bahira, (Kelly Moore), k.l.moore@earthlink.net, 908-625-5195 before 9:00pm.

Any Middle Eastern dancers or musicians interested in entertaining please contact: Lydia FitzWaulter, mundanely Linda Finne 230 Orchard St, Bridgewater, NJ 08807 Email: <a href="mailto:lfinne@telcordia.com">lfinne@telcordia.com</a> or call 908-725-4938 before 9:30 PM

**Fees**: Adult Member: \$15; Adult Non-member: \$18; No reduced fee for children. (All children must be accompanied and watched by an adult.) Troll will open at 4pm and close at 7:00pm. Feast fee is included in the site fee.

**Reservations**: Please send the following information with your reservation: mundane and SCA names for all persons included in the reservation, proof of membership for all members included in the reservation (photocopy of membership card or copy of cover of recent Pikestaff cover with the members name is acceptable), contact information, and check or money order made out to "SCA Inc., Barony of Settmour Swamp" for the total amount of the reservation. All reservations must be postmarked by October 16 and sent to:

Settmour Swamp Seraglio c/o Elizabeth Green 140 Coburn Ln. Somerset, NJ 08873 Incomplete reservations will be returned. Refunds will be available for those who are unable to attend the event. Please contact Lady Siobhna at <a href="mailto:e.rose.green@gmail.com">e.rose.green@gmail.com</a> \*before\* the event to request a refund form. Refunds will be unavailable after the event.

Directions to St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 201 State Route 31, Flemington, NJ 08822

#### 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 the 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 New 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 South 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 the left.

#### From Southeast New 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 to Exit 4 - Route 31. Go North on NJ-31 to Flemington, take the 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 the left.

#### From Philadelphia:

Take I-95 North to New Jersey, get off at exit 4 - Route 31. Take Rt 31 North to Flemington. At the 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 the left.



### **Practices and Activities**

#### **Archery Practice**

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

Weeknights 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 7:30 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 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 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.



### 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. 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 <a href="mailto:mlecin@gmail.com">mlecin@gmail.com</a> or call her at 732-563-1029.



## Baronial Business Meeting

The meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 9 at St. Luke's Church in Hope. For directions and more information, contact the baronial seneschal Lord Erec L'Claire at seneschal@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org for more details.

## Canton of Gryphonwald Business Meeting

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.

## Canton of Marwick Business Meeting

The Canton will meet on Tuesday, September 22 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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