THE MUDPUPPY



December, A.S. XLI

Calendar of Events

December

2 Bhakail Yule Revel
(Barony of Bhakail - Philadelphia, PA)
3 Iron Bog's Toys for Tots Challenge
(Barony of Iron Bog - Pemberton, NJ)
9 Mistletoe Revel
(Shire of Barren Sands – Somers Point, NJ)
9 Bergental Yule
(Barony of Bergental - Springfield, MA)
30 Feast Away, The Old Year Passes
(Shire of Nordenhalle - Kingston, NY)

January 2007

6 East Kingdom Twelfth Night/Kings & Queens Art & Sciences Championships (**RP/HP**)
(Barony of Dragonship Haven - Bridgeport, CT)
13 Bellringers
(Barony of Carillion - Forked River, NJ)
13 King's & Queen's Rapier Championships
(Barony of Carolingia - Cambridge, MA)
19-20 Al - Hafla
(Barony of Bhakail - Clifton Heights, PA)
20 An English Country Twelfth Night
(Shire of Owlsherst - Camp Hill, PA)

February 2007

10 Black Gryphon Inn: Normans & Welshman & Sheep, Oh My (Canton of Gryphonwald) – Edison, NJ
13-19 Estrella War XXXIII (RP) (Kingdom of Atenveldt – Florence, AZ)
24 Noisemakers "A Music & Heraldry Schola"/King & Queen's Bardic Championship (RP) (Bailiwick of Ivyeinrust – Clifton Heights, PA)
24 Winter War X (Northern Outpost – Potsdam, NY)



Letter to the Populace

Unto the Populace of the Barony of Settmour Swamp does Baron Alexander Macgregor and Lady Rhiannon de Licorne send greetings.

We would like to thank you for your support during the recent baronial polling. We are both proud to have been selected to wear the coronets of the finest Barony in the Known World. Thank you.

We would also like to thank our fellow candidates, Mistress Mercedes de Califia and Lord Owynn Greenwood and Lord Alexander MacRus and Cassandra de Matisse. Never did it feel that we were in competition with each other but instead all working together towards a common goal. Our Barony is indeed fortunate to have members like you. We look forward to continuing to work with all of you in the future.

During the polling process we were able to meet and talk with many people and we heard many ideas of what you would like to see in the Barony. Just because the polling is over does not mean we do not want or need to hear more of your ideas. If you have any ideas regarding the Barony, we would love to hear them, even if you had already mentioned them during the polling. It could be a well thought out plan or a vague idea, it does not matter. We cannot promise that all ideas will be able to be implemented but we can promise that all ideas will be considered and looked into. After all, this is your Barony.

We hope to see all of you at our Investiture to be held at Mudthaw this March and again, thank you.

Yours in service

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Practices and Activities

Archery Practice

Every Sunday 1:00 PM in Pittstown, NJ. Please give advance notice if you're coming. Contact Elizabeth at <u>hawkwoode@att.net</u> for information and directions. Archery practice is also scheduled at the youth fighter practices in Flemington on the second and fourth Sunday of the month.

Arts & Sciences Activities

First and third Wednesday, 7:00 PM, St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 346 High Street (Rt 609), Hope, NJ. Contact fafnir62@yahoo.com for information.

Monthly Business Meeting

Second Wednesday of the month, location changes. See the Mudpuppy or the Baronial website for location and directions.

Fencing Practice

Thursdays 7:00 - 9:30 PM, American Legion Post 243, 243 Oak Tree Ave., South Plainfield, NJ 08854.

Youth Fighter Practice

Second and fourth Sunday of the month, assuming no conflict with a major holiday, church function or local SCA event. 1:30 PM to 4:00 PM at 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.

Calligraphy Workshop

First Tuesday of the month at the home of our Baron and Baroness, 39 Claire Dr., Bridgewater, NJ 08807

Currently On Exhibit

Metropolitan Museum – New York, NY

Set in Stone: The Face in Medieval Sculpture Exhibit runs through February 18, 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

Fighter Practice - Moose Lodge, Edison

From I-287 South take Exit #3 – New Durham/Metuchen. Turn right at light onto New Durham Rd. At next light, make a right onto Talmadge Road. At next light turn left onto Coolidge St. Go 0.2 miles; make a left into Moose driveway/parking lot.

From I-287 North take Exit #2B – New Brunswick/Rt. 27 South. Ramp traffic flows onto Rt. 27 South. At third traffic light turn right onto Talmadge Rd (Sturgis Rd). Go 1.8 miles to third light; make a left onto Coolidge St. Turn left into Moose parking lot.

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 Gareden 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:

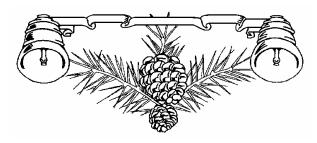
Take the Garden State Parkway to Exit 151. At the end of the ramp turn right onto Watchung Ave. At the next light make a left onto East Passaic Ave. Take your second right onto Coeyman Ave. Make the first right onto Bromley Place. Bromley Place turns into Glenview Place. You will come to a stop sign 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, but there have been lights added to that road since I lived there. (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.



Holiday Dance Practice in Marwick

The Canton of Marwick hereby invites one and all to our Holiday Dance Practice! We will meet on Tuesday, December 12, 2006 at 7:30 PM in the Cranford Community Center to dance, eat and celebrate!

For this Holiday practice, we encourage attendees to bring a beverage or snack to share and to dress in garb (changing facilities are limited, please come in garb if possible). Our outstanding Dance Instructor Aife, will lead us in period and SCA dances. This will be a great warm-up for 12th Night.

If you plan to attend the practice, please send an e-mail to our Exchequer, Edmund Patterson, <u>clost95@aol.com</u> so that we may reserve a bigger room if necessary. We look forward to seeing many new faces.

Location: The Cranford Community Center, 224 Walnut Avenue ,Cranford, NJ 07016 Phone: 908-709-7272

You can get directions from Google Maps at <u>http://maps.google.com/maps?f=q&hl=en&q=220+Walnut+Ave,+Cranford,+NJ</u> +07016 or written directions at: http://www.mlecin.com/cccdir.html

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Baronial Business Meeting

The December business meeting will be held on December 13th at 7:30 PM at the home of Lady Elisabeth Elenore Lovell (Stacey Rothrock Steinfeld), 732-596-0880 (no calls after 9:00PM please). For directions, contact Elisabeth or the baronial seneschal.

Officer Rotation Schedule Changes

Changes have been made to the rotation schedule of officer positions. The revised schedule is listed below. At the December 13 business meeting the baronial officers will select an Exchequer and Captain of Fence.

The Exchequer is the Barony's Treasurer.

The Captain of Fence arranges fencing practice, tournaments, etc. for the Barony. PLEASE NOTE: Those wishing to fulfill the office of Captain of Fence must be a warranted fencing marshal.

All gentles interested in being considered for these offices must be present at the December 13th business meeting. The incumbent officers must also be present. Please e-mail the seneschal prior to the meeting with your intention to seek that office. Candidates will have the opportunity to address the officers and answer questions.

Revised Baronial Office Reaffirmation Schedule

January - Knight Marshall, Herald

February - Mistress of Lists, Chancellor Minor

March - Youth Fighting, Seneschal

Canton of Marwick Officers

http://www.marwick.eastkingdom.org

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No calls after 9:30 PM, please	clost95@aol.com	
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Webmaster: Lord Owynn Greenwood	908-447-2979	



Canton of Gryphon Wald Officers

http://www.geocities.com/gryphonwald/

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