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Meetings and Practices

<p style="text-align: center;">Baronial Business Meetings</p> <p>1st Thursday of each month Sachem Public Library (Holbrook) 7:30pm Contact Seneschal David Cortijo for information. <i>All are welcome. Officers are encouraged to attend.</i></p> <hr style="border-top: 1px dashed black;"/> <p style="text-align: center;">Incipient Canton Business Meetings Hawkes Reache</p> <p>2nd Tuesday of each month Harborfields Library (Greenlawn) 7:30pm Contact Seneschal Alexander MacLachlan (Brett Kessler) for information. NB April meeting ONLY - Monday, April 12</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Directions to Sachem Library</p> <p>Take the L.I.E. to exit 61, Patchogue-Holbrook Rd. CR-19 towards Patchogue/Holbrook. Merge onto Expwy Drive South, turn left at Holbrook Rd. The library is at 150 Holbrook Rd. 631-588-5024</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;">Fighter Practice</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ON HOLD</p> <p>Tuesday evenings 7pm, Islip Grange Park: Broadway Ave., Sayville, two cross streets north of Montauk Hwy. Contact Adam Steinfeldler at 631-514-1104 after noon</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Fencing</p> <p>Friday evenings 7:30 - 10pm Loaner gear available. Anyone 14 yrs. and older welcome. 640 Belle Terre Rd., Building F, Port Jefferson, NY 1177. Contact Moresca at 347-276-8813 or moresca@aol.com</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Archery & Thrown Weapons</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Next practice: April 11, 1 PM</p> <p>Contact Lord Logan de Londres and Lady Damianna de Londres (Mark & Dina Wolyniec) for information: 631-924-6968 (before 9 PM)</p>
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Letters of Intent should be submitted to the Baronial Seneschal & Coronet via mail or email. Letters may also be submitted at the Baronial business meeting held the first Thursday of every month at Sachem Public Library.

Event Calendar

Local Barony of An Dubhaigeainn
events listed in red.

April

4/3 Smoking Rocks Birthday: Barony of Smoking Rocks - Wrentham, MA
4/10 Coronation of Edward and Marguerite: Barony of Bergental - West Springfield, MA
4/17 Hana-Matsuri: A Celebration of Beauty: Shire of Eisental - New Ringgold, PA
4/17 Silk and Steel: Spring's Inspirations IX and the Third Annual Northern Region Rapier Academy Province of Malagentia - Eliot, ME
4/17 Balfar's Challenge: Barony of Dragonship Haven - Meriden, CT
4/22 - 4/25 Blackstone Raid XIX (19): Kingdom of Aethelmarc - Ripley, WV
4/23 - 4/25 Southern Region Spring War Practice: Shire of Owlsherst - York Haven, PA
4/24 Spring Thyng VII- The Taming of the Arrow: Shire of Caer Adamant - Middletown, DE
4/24 East Kingdom Royal University and Knights College: Shire of Anglespur - Troy, NY
4/24 Jehan's Fencing & Fighting at the Fort: Shire of Endewearde - Prospect, ME
4/24 A Scribal Workshop in Østgarðr: Crown Province of Ostgardr - Port Chester, NY
4/30 - 5/2 Barony of the Bridge Investiture: Barony of the Bridge - Coventry, RI

For full event listing and information see the East Kingdom website:

<http://www.eastkingdom.org/event-list.html>

May

5/1 Tyger and Bucket Tavern Night: Province of Malagentia - Saco, ME
5/8 **Heavy Weapons Championship: Barony of An Dubhaigeainn - The Grange, Islip, NY**
5/8 Vinland Games: Shire of Blak Rose - Grantville, PA
5/8 - 5/9 Spring Crown Tournament: Barony of L'ile du Dragon Dormant - Ste. Hermenegilde, QC
5/9 May Day: Barony of Carolingia - Waltham, MA
5/14 - 5/16 West Windsor Renaissance Faire: Barony of Carillion - Princeton Junction, NJ
5/15 Stonebridge Schola: Barony of the Bridge - South Kingstown, RI
5/20 - 5/23 Aethelmarc War Practice: Kingdom of Aethelmarc -
5/22 Daily Life Schola: Canton of Bowman's Rest - West Granby, CT
5/28 - 5/31 Quest XXVII : Quest for the Tenth Worthy Warrior: Barony of Settmour Swamp - Neshanic Station, NJ
5/28 - 5/31 Panteria XV and East Kingdom Equestrian Championship: Shire of Panther Vale - Thetford, VT
5/28 - 5/31 Wars of the Roses XXX (Central Region War Camp): Barony of Concordia of the Snows - Pattersonville, NY

SAVE the DATE!
Saturday, May 8, 2010
Heavy Weapons Championship
 The Grange, Islip
 Picnic event - see pg. 5
 Inspections at Noon, pickups at 1PM,
 Tournament begins promptly at 2 PM

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Combat Arts: fighting, fencing, archery & thrown weapons



From the Knight Marshal: In my absence at an official Tuesday night fight practice, any of the following may step in as **Marshal in Charge** so that scheduled baronial practice may continue with insurance intact: **Adam Steinfeld, Kevin Dowd, James Peck, and Eric Rhude.**

The fencers operate on a similar premise. **Moresca** (Julie DeVuono) is the deputy KM in charge of Rapier. In her absence, any of the following may MiC a Rapier practice: **Pete Boullianne, Erik Soto, and Brett Kessler.**

Heavy Weapons: For further info, contact Adam Steinfeld at (631)514-1104 before noon. Up to date information on practices may also be found at the Yahoo web site here:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/scaducks/>

We have been invited to join the fighters of Ostgardr who continue to meet on Sundays in Brooklyn from noon until about four pm. at Quality Conservation, 140 58th Street, Bldg. A, Unit 8M. The site is indoors - a large warehouse with plenty of room, so even polearms are fine. There is plenty of parking within a fenced and guarded lot. For those taking public transportation, the site is two to three blocks from the R/N train stop at 59th Street. Non-fighters are welcome to attend. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact RobertEsteves@gmail.com

We have also been invited to join a NON SCA indoor practice by the fighters of MSR held Thursday nights at 7 pm at Wantagh Memorial Congregational Church, 1845 Wantagh Ave., Wantagh, NY 11793. There is a \$5 fee to cover hall rental. Please wear non marking soles, like sneakers.

Fencing Practice

Please call Moresca before coming to practice to confirm that practice will be held. We continue to meet at 640 Belle Terre Rd., Building F, in Port Jefferson. As noted, practice for fencers is Friday evenings, 7:30-10 PM. Some loaner gear may be available if requested beforehand. If you're curious, come see what we're all about!

Contact Moresca at 347-276-8813 or moresca@aol.com



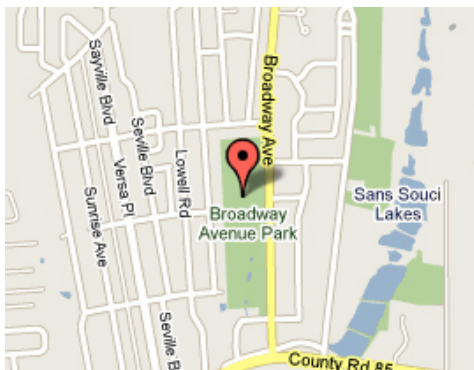
Archery & Thrown Weapons: Next practice is on Sunday, April 11, beginning at 1 PM at the home of Lady Damianna and Lord Logan. Please bring a chair as well as a dish to share. (and bug spray)

Archers can also hone their skills on Tuesday evenings at C&B Archery, 11 Commercial Street, Hicksville, NY 11801-5211 - (516) 933-2697. Contact THL Peter of Hawkwoods (Pete Farrell) for further information. (631) 754-8977 before 9PM, or at pfarrell27@yahoo.com. Additionally, the Barony is seeking loaner gear. If you have any gear you'd like to donate, please contact Baron Don Jean Xavier, 631-874-2748 before 10 p.m. or jeanxavier2001@yahoo.com with "archery gear" in the subject line. If you have some 7-8 oz. belt leather, Jean Xavier is also willing to give you some basic directions for making your own arm guard.

Heavy Weapons Championship - May 8

It is time for a new Baronial Heavy Weapons Champion to emerge from the lists. This year's Championship will be held at The Grange in Islip on Sunday, May 8th. Inspections will begin at noon, with pickups at 1 PM. The tournament will begin promptly at 2 PM.

This is an informal picnic style event, and as such, there will be no site fee, nor will there be a day board or feast. All are welcome to attend, whether fighting or not. You will need to bring your own food and drink, though the Barony will be supplying water to the fighters. There may be some seating available as well, although it would be a good idea to bring your own if comfort is your aim. This is an out door event. Should the weather turn inclement, an alternate date will be announced on the sca-ducks list.



DIRECTIONS:

From the L.I.E. take Exit 53 south (Robert Moses Pkwy). Go approximately two miles and then bear left onto the Southern State Pkwy. Get off at Exit 44 East. (Sunrise Hwy. East). Go approximately four miles to Broadway exit. Make right on Broadway. Go half mile, site on the right.

News from Mudthaw

There was much for our Barony to celebrate at the recent Royal Court held at Mudthaw on March 27th. Not only was Baron Master Sean de Londres singled out for his generous donations of mead for Their Majesties to grant as goodwill gifts, but Her Excellency Baroness Lassar was awarded the Silver Crescent and our very own Baron Don Jean Xavier was inducted into the Order of the Pelican. Baron Ateno and Baroness Gianetta managed to keep the honors secret while organizing a whole phalanx of the populace to prepare the celebrations. A special thanks goes out to Baroness Mistress Suzanne de Londres and Lord Thorolf who organized the Vigil room and prepared such a wonderful repast for those who came to greet Jean Xavier during his vigil. Baroness Lassar even included a hand drawn portrait of Jean Xavier as the frontpiece to a handmade leather journal for visitors to leave their well wishes.



Arts & Sciences news and notes

Sewing and Stained Glass Workshop

Mark your calendar! The next workshop will be held on **Sunday, April 18th at 1 p.m.** **THERE IS NO WORKSHOP SCHEDULED FOR MAY.** These workshops are held even if one person shows up, so be sure to contact Baroness Lisl by Friday, April 16 to confirm your attendance. If you're interested in learning more about stained glass, please let her know in advance so she can prepare materials. You can reach Baroness Lisl at 631-243-4734 or email at iliketosew1@verizon.net. Sir Richard Blackmoore has offered to open his extensive library on Arms and Armor for on-site perusal by interested parties while the classes are going on. Again, **please call or email on the Friday before to let them know if you plan to attend**, thanks. Anyone needing hands on assistance from Sir Richard regarding armor & combat research or advice, should contact him in advance to set up a date & time to work with him in person: Email at theregent1@verizon.net.

More Sewing workshops!

Duchess Isabella wants to inform the populace that Mistress Katherine Gillesfleur and Baroness Jacqueline Helene Loisel are holding a series of sewing workshops intended to broaden your sewing skills: **Sewing - Beyond the Basics**. The workshops continue to be held every other Sunday, and are intended to advance the tailor beyond basic sewing skills. If you have ever finished a sewing project and thought to yourself that it is "not quite right" or "not quite what you wanted it to look like" then this is the class for you! Each workshop is designed to cover specific areas of sewing skills, with subsequent workshops building on the knowledge from the previous ones.

The remaining schedule is as follows:

April 11 Muslin - fitting

April 25 Fabric - from choosing the right fabric through construction

To be determined: Finishing - final fitting, closures, hems and seam finishes etc - this may be one or two classes depending on need.

All workshops will be at the home of Baroness Jacqueline and Baron Luigi (Luig and Jackie Kapaj) at 4291 Napier Avenue, Bronx NY 10470. While the workshops will begin at 12:00 Noon, there will be time for socializing - the serious work starts at 1:00PM.

Directions:

Public transportation: # 4 train to the end of the line - Woodlawn station. When you go downstairs, go across the street to the bus shelter and take either the number 34 or 16. It is only a short ride. The bus follows along the Woodlawn Cemetery and turns on the corner of East 233rd Street. As soon as you see the BP Gas Station on the left (the first light is one block up) ring the bell. The next stop is Napier Avenue. Cross the street and walk 3 short blocks. Our house is the one on the corner of E. 236th street entrance on Napier.

Driving: From the south, take your best route to the Major Deegan (87) and use exit 13 (East 233rd Street). At the end of the exit ramp is a light, go straight. At the next light make a left onto Van Cortlandt Park East (The BP Station is on the corner). Go three blocks to Napier Avenue. Our house is on the corner on the right.

Please RSVP by email or phone so that we know you are coming. Contact phone numbers: Baroness Jacqueline (Jackie Kapaj) 718-994-2020 -- jhkapaj@hotmail.com. Mistress Katherine Gillesfleur (Debbie Krevor) 718-767-0757. (If no one answers, please leave a message on the machine, thanks!)



Local Museum Exhibits of Interest:

In these tough economic times, remember to check with museums to see if they have any options for free admission. Many local museums have free or reduced admission prices at specified hours, and many Suffolk libraries offer free passes for admission to specific museums on specific days. Check with your local librarian for further details or do a quick search on the Suffolk Web:

<http://suffolk.lib.ny.us/> Enter 'museum passes' in the search field to find out if

your library offers passes.

We are lucky enough to live near Manhattan, home to some of the world's most valuable illuminated manuscripts. Both The Cloisters in upper Manhattan and The Morgan in midtown have regular displays, and for the next several months we will have the opportunity to see two of the most beautiful manuscripts ever created: The Hours of Catherine of Cleves, currently at the Morgan (free admission after 7 PM on Fridays), and the Belle Heures of Jean de France, Duc de Berry, currently at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. For more information, check out the web links below.

The Museum of Biblical Art in New York City is currently hosting an exhibit entitled, *Uneasy Communion: Jews, Christians, and the Altarpieces of Medieval Spain*. Curated by Dr. Vivian B. Mann, Director of the Masters Program in Jewish Art at the Graduate School of the Jewish Theological Seminary, *Uneasy Communion* explores a rare instance of artistic collaboration between Christians and Jews in Spain during the Middle Ages. The Museum is located near Lincoln Center at 1865 Broadway at 61st Street, and the exhibit runs to May 30th. Suggested admission is seven dollars.

For those willing to travel a bit further to New Haven, the Yale Law Library is hosting an exhibit called *Re-used, Rebound, Recovered: Medieval Manuscript Fragments in Law Book Bindings*. As the title suggests, the rare book section of the library contains over one hundred books with bindings made of recycled medieval manuscripts. One of the fragments is the oldest item in the Law Library's collection, dating from around 975-1075. A number of those books will be on display through May 20th, but if you can't get to the exhibit you can see some images of the books here: <http://www.flickr.com/photos/yalelawlibrary/sets/72157623409849202/>



Seen on the Web - a random sampling of web sites

One of the most important resources we have available to us on the web is the East Kingdom website: <http://www.eastkingdom.org/> We also have a wonderful 'wiki' East Kingdom website stocked with goodies:

http://www.eastkingdom.org/mediawiki/index.php/Main_Page

The Metropolitan Museum of Art - The full range of events and programs available at the Met can be found here: <http://www.metmuseum.org/events/>.

Special Exhibitions information can be found here:

http://www.metmuseum.org/special/index.asp?HomePageLink=special_c4

Of particular note is the exhibit of drawings by Bronzino, court painter to Duke Cosimo I de' Medici of Florence which will be closing this month on April 18. Don't miss this chance to see nearly all the known drawings by, or attributed to, this leading Italian artist.

"The Art of Illumination: The Limbourg Brothers and the Belle Heures of Jean de France, Duc de Berry" is still on exhibit until June 13, 2010. If you can't make the exhibit in person, you can catch on online lecture given by a Met curator here: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6LKYPRZkDF0>

Another wonderful site from the Met is a blog dedicated to the plants and gardens of The Cloisters. Explore the role of plants and gardens in medieval life and art, learn how to find and grow medieval herbs and flowers, discuss the long histories of many familiar garden plants, and discover which roadside weeds were once valued medicinals. Check it out here: <http://blog.metmuseum.org/cloistersgardens/>

Medievalists.net is a website for people interested in the Middle Ages. This includes scholars, writers, historians, readers and anyone who enjoys medieval history or culture. Linked to both Facebook and Twitter, the web site serves as a central online hub for news, resources and videos on medieval topics. Check them out at: www.medievalists.net and <http://medievalnews.blogspot.com/>.

Coinciding with the special exhibition, *Demons and Devotion: The Hours of Catherine of Cleves* (January 22 through May 2, 2010), **The Morgan Library and Museum** has mounted an online exhibit of one of the most important and lavish of all Dutch illuminated manuscripts of the 15th century. Long ago, the Hours were split into two separate books. When The Morgan acquired both books, plans were made to re-bind the pages into a single book in their original order. Since bound medieval manuscripts can only be exhibited two pages at a time, this is a once in a lifetime opportunity to see almost all the illuminations contained in the Hours. The only ones not shown are the ones on the backs of some of the displayed pages. While you can take a look here: <http://www.themorgan.org/collections/works/cleves/default.asp>, don't miss the opportunity to view these up close while they are at The Morgan.

If you missed it last month, check out **How To Mount a Horse in Armor and Other Chivalric Problems**, another filmed lecture from the Met on YouTube: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NqC_squo6X4. There is some great footage here of real men wearing real (not reproduction) armor demonstrating range of motion and flexibility of period armor. There are also some great moving images of Dr. Tobias Capwell of the Wallace Collection running at full tilt, and pole fighting in his own custom made suit of armor. The film and lecture completely bust the myth of the slow moving knight in heavy armor.

For those interested in Viking history, BBC news reported that fifty-one decapitated skeletons recently unearthed in a burial pit in Dorset were likely Scandinavian Vikings executed by Anglo Saxons. For the full story and even a few pictures check here: http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/uk_news/england/dorset/8563377.stm There is even a companion video here: http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/uk_news/8565524.stm

The University of Otago in New Zealand now has a website featuring scans of forty-two examples of pre-1501 early printed books that represent 15th century printmanship from Italy, Germany, Switzerland and France. Check it out here: <http://www.library.otago.ac.nz/SpecialCollections/incunabula/index.php>

Help Wanted

The Barony is currently seeking Letters of Intent for the following positions. If you have questions about a job, you can speak with either the outgoing officer, the Seneschal Lord David, or His Excellency Baron Ateno. Letters of Intent must be submitted to either Lord David or Their Excellencies.

Seneschal: Lord David's term of office will conclude within the next few months, so we are seeking someone to serve as his Deputy, effective immediately, so they can learn the ropes and we can transition smoothly when his term is up in July.

Knight Marshal: Regretfully, Catrina ab Aqua will have to step down from her position effective immediately. As former drop dead, Lord Dankwert Bathory (Adam Steinfeld) is now Acting Knight Marshal. Letters of Intent are still being accepted, but please submit well before the May Baronial meeting.

Exchequer: Vettorino is also feeling the pinch of mundane constraints, so while he will continue to serve as our Exchequer, we are actively seeking someone who can take over the job as soon as practical. While knowledge of basic bookkeeping is a plus, we do have people willing to train you. It's a great opportunity to pick up a new skill, particularly in this economy.

Deputy to the Minister of Lists: Many hands make light work, so Lord Logan is seeking additional gentles willing to serve as Deputies.

Web Minister: If you know your way around a web site, the Barony is seeking someone who will be responsible for maintaining and updating our web site.

On another note, if you have anything you'd like to donate for the auctions to be held at Potted Arms in June (for the fencing fund and for Hawkes Reache) please contact Miquel d'Avinhon. (631-385-1950)

Canton of Hawkes Reache (incipient)



Greetings Citizens of Hawkes Reache. If you live in zip code 11701, 11702, 11703, 11704, 11706, 11717, 11718, 11721, 11724, 11725, 11726, 11729, 11731, 11740, 11743, 11746, 11747, 11751, 11754, 11757, 11768, 11770, 11787, or 11795, you're a member. We've taken the necessary steps to move out of incipency. All the required paperwork has been submitted to the Kingdom, and is going through normal channels. We haven't heard anything official yet, but we hope to have some additional news by our next Canton meeting at the Harborfields Library at 7:30 PM. **Please note that our April meeting will be held on MONDAY, April 12, then we will resume meeting on the second Tuesday of every month.**

In Service,
Alexander MacLachlan,
Canton Seneschal

From the Coronet



Greetings from Ateño & Lassar!

In the last month there was a lot of Baronial unity, and we are pleased!

The Commons held earlier in March was, in one word, 'Fantastic'. Beautiful weather contributed to the two dozen members of the Barony that showed up. Plenty of food and plenty to do, thank you to all who attended.

A large number of members of An Dubhaigeainn also traveled across the river to attend the thirtieth anniversary of 'Mudthaw'. As mentioned elsewhere in this newsletter, the attendance was due to witness the honors given to two of our members. Baron Don Jean Xavier Boullier was elevated to the peerage and accepted a Pelican for his service. He was totally surprised at the award and the only downside was he did not get to fight in the rapier tournament. Also, Baroness Lassar Ingen Aeda was surprised with another accolade for service, the 'Silver Crescent'. It was a great day all around for An Dubhaigeainn.



We wish to encourage all heavy list fighters that are interested in a special edition of the Baronial Championship to attend us at the Grange on May 8th at noon for a picnic style event. There will be no site fee, so please bring your own food and drink. The Barony will provide water. The new Baronial Champion will be expected to attend us in court when you are available at events, to organize the Baronial three man team for 'Balfar's Challenge', to fight in the Baronial Champions tourney if the format is acceptable, to fight at least one battle with us at Pennsic, and to organize and run your successor's tourney.

Speaking of Balfar's Challenge, it's coming up on April 17th. We encourage everyone to attend, so please speak up on the Yahoo Sca-ducks list to organize car pooling. It's always an enjoyable day with much to do. We hope to have a team for each discipline: Heavy weapons, Archery, Rapier and Thrown weapons.

Lastly, it has come to our attention that the Baronial Scoutum shields are unused and have been for a while. It was suggested that we cut them down and use them for loaner shields for new fighters. Does anyone have any other idea about this? If so, please contact us privately.

*In Service,
Ateno and Lassar*

Baron and Baroness An Dubhaigeainn