

The Vigilance
March -- April
A.S. XLVIII – 2015 C.E.



**DUCHESS DORINDA RECEIVES HER WRIT FOR HER
MASTER OF DEFENCE PEERAGE**

Photo by Mistress Arianna of Wynthrope

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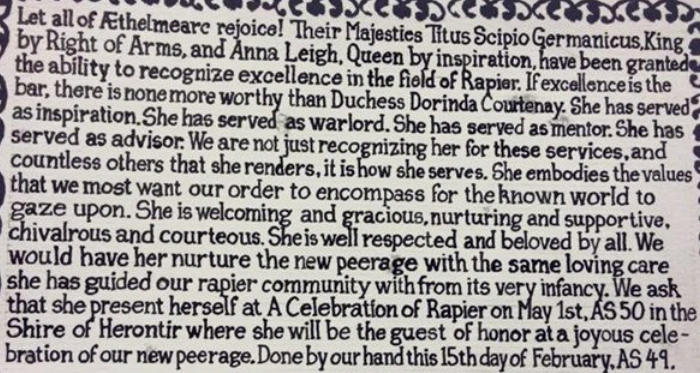
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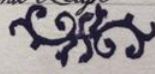


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Titus



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INTERESTING LINKS

Digital Image Archive of Medieval Music
<http://www.diamm.ac.uk>

British Library Digitised Manuscripts
<http://www.bl.uk/manuscripts/>

Professional medieval manuscript blogger
<http://medievalbooks.nl/>

The Vatican pulls the charter of the Calligraphers' Guild
<http://www.thelocal.it/20141219/calligraphers-cry-foul-as-vatican-shuts-down-scrollmakers>

Four historic manuscripts brought together for the first time
<http://www.newser.com/story/202127/4-magna-cartas-never-in-same-place-until-now.html>

Stitches and Seams seen on Medieval Garments in Various Museum Collections
<http://nvg.org.au/documents/other/stitches.pdf>



*Festival of the Passing of
the Ice Dragon 2015
Barony of the Rhydderich Hael
Saturday March 21st 2015, 9AM to
9PM
Connecticut Street Armory,
184 Connecticut St. Buffalo NY 14213*

We invite you once again to plan your pilgrimage to the Annual Festival of the Passing of the Ice Dragon. The Festival of the Passing of the Ice Dragon is steeped in tradition, pageantry, martial and gentle arts. We will be featuring the traditional 'Pent' contest to highlight the works of the talented artisans and scholars of Aethelmearc and beyond! For those of a more martial bent, we invite you to participate in our grand fencing or heavy tournaments. When you need a break, be sure to visit the games room downstairs for a dart tournament, music, dancing and table games. Or if you prefer, simply take in the sights and sounds of the day from several public galleries while enjoying a magnificent assortment of tasty treats from our day-board. The lower halls will be filled with Merchants while around the balcony our Salons invite you to show off your skill at decorating, hosting and showing off your finest apparel, accessories and style.

Costs (in US funds):

Adult pre-registration: 15.00

Adult onsite registration: 17.00

Child pre-registration (9-17): 8.00

Child onsite registrations (9-17): 9.00

Child 8 and under: FREE

Please make checks payable to SCA NY, inc - Barony of the Rhydderich Hael Per Society, a \$5 non-member surcharge will be collected at the event from any adults

without proof of current membership. Pre-reg Closes
March 13th 2015.

Please note: We will NOT be using the ACCEPS on line payment system this year. All visitors at the Armory are required to have Photo ID (except minors with their adult guardian)

Autocrat: Lord Magnus de Lyons (Lance Kazmark), 36 Wayne St. Depew NY 14043, 716-432-0763; magnusofnarnia@gmail.com

Reservations Clerk/Head Tollner: Send preregistration to: Wanda Spencer, THL Eleanore Godwin, 1396 Eggert Road, Amherst, NY 14226, 716-837-2431. No calls after 9pm, wcsteachhistory@yahoo.com

For more info: http://www.ice-dragon.info/ID2015_main.html



A Kingdom for a Stage
Barony-Marche of Debatable Lands
March 28, 2015 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM

Come all you, singers, songsters, wordsmiths and players,
The Barony Marche of the Debatable Lands welcomes you all to a day of performance, classes, challenges and merriment! This event will be held at the North Park Lodge in the northern hills of the barony. The address of the lodge is (No Building Number) North Ridge Drive, Allison Park, PA 15101. The site will open at 10:00 and close at 7:00pm on March 28, 2015

The day will include: bardic open stage areas, space for classes in bardic and musical arts, a large area for

dance and dance instruction, a bardic bearpit, and day to see friends and enjoy the performing arts.

We welcome bards, theatre and comedia groups, musicians, choirs and singing groups that would like to schedule time for performances throughout the day.

The event organizer for this day will be Baron Liam MacantSaoir (Shawn MacIntyre) 4464 Highridge Street, Pittsburgh PA 15214, (412)916-0217, The Autocrat for the day will be Lady Elizabeth Arrowsmyth (Elizabeth Hogue).

The day will include a wonderful and delicious dayboard prepared by Drotinn Jorundr hinn Rotinn.

Reservations for this day can be sent to Lady Hara Kikumatsu, 246 Whipple Street, Pittsburgh PA 15218, (412)731-5588. Prices: (all prices include dayboard) Adults (12 and up) - \$10.00 Children (5-11) - \$5.00 Under 5: Free

Make checks payable to SCA-PA Inc - Debatable Lands. The \$5 Non-Member Surcharge shall be collected from adults not presenting proof of membership.

If you are traveling from out of town and are in need of Crash Space or Hotel information, Contact Baron Liam (Baron(at)debatablelands(dot)org)



Spring 2015
Æthelmearc
Coronation
[Shire of](#)
[Abhainn Ciach](#)
[Ghlais](#)

April 11, 2015
9 AM -- 9 PM



The Shire of Abhainn Ciach Ghlais is deeply honored to once again host the Coronation of Prince Timothy of Arindale and Princess Gabrielle van Nijenrode to the throne of Æthelmearc on Saturday, April 11th, 2015.

The site, the Church of Four Bells (Christ's United Lutheran Church, 13765 Old Turnpike Rd, Millmont PA 17845), opens at 9:00am. The site will close at 9pm.

Autocrat: Maitre Gilles de Beauchamps (David Brooks) 507 East Academy St. Hughesville, PA 17737 (570) 584-2306

His Highness, Timothy, will be sitting vigil outdoors at the event site on Friday night until 1am. He welcomes visitors. Other activities at the event include: a gold crown tournament, an unbelted meet'n'beat, a fencing tournament, dancing, and an A&S display with a theme of "Æthelmearc Proud".

Our Head Cook is Her Ladyship Byrgida Zajaczkowa. A feast for 120 gentles will be provided by Lord Leioolfr Grimr (Leioolfr@gmail.com - dietary concerns should be addressed to him) with the Guild of St Lawrence (ACG's Cooking Guild) assisting. See event flier on the shire's website for a menu.

A day fee of \$10 will be charged to all attendees aged 17 and over. Those 16 and under will be regarded as our guests. The day fee will include all activities as well as lunch.

Feast will be \$10 each. There will be a seating chart for feast. Tables each seat 8 people. If your group wishes to reserve space together, please indicate it when you make your reservation. Children 5 and under may be present at a table without purchasing an additional seat.

Non Member Surcharge: Any adult without proof of current SCA membership will be charged a \$5 surcharge at the door.

Make checks payable to "SCA PA, Inc. Shire of Abhainn Ciach Ghlais". Reservations should be sent to: Lord Conrad Kienast , c/o Bob English, 124 North Second St , Sunbury PA 17801

Please include both SCA and modern names for all attending as well as membership numbers. Including your email address will enable us to confirm your reservation. Including ages of youth/children attending will help our Chancellor Minor plan age-appropriate activities for the children attending.

From the North, East and South - Make your best way to the intersection of PA Route 45 and U.S. Route 15 in Lewisburg; at this intersection, head west on Route 45, towards Mifflinburg and State College. Christ's United Lutheran Church is on the left side of the road approximately three miles west of Mifflinburg.

From the West - Follow Route 45 towards Mifflinburg. Once you pass through the hamlet of Hartleton, you are about 2 miles from Christ's United Lutheran Church, which will be on your right-hand side.



**A Celebration of Rapier
Shire of Heronter
Camp Timbercrest
11169 Moore Road
Randolph NY 14772
May 1, 2015
3PM to 11PM**

Please join the Shire of Heronter in Celebration of the Art of Rapier. On May 1st, come join us as we celebrate the birth of a

new peerage. The site is a merely a deep lunge from Crown Tournament, so no need to miss that either.

This event will take place on May 1, 2015 in the Shire of Heronter. Site opens at 3:00 pm and the main hall closes at 11:00 pm. This event will be held at Camp Timbercrest 11169 Moore Rd; Randolph, New York 14772

Stewards for the Event are Baroness Margerite Eisenwald (Jennifer Stendahl 523 Winsor Street Jamestown NY 14701, 716-338-8184, projectmeek@gmail.com) and Lady Thora ni Drukkard (ladythora@yahoo.com). Reservations will be conducted online via facebook or electronic mail.

The Shire of Heronter is well aware that there is another Kingdom event the next day and thus will not be charging a site fee for the evening's activities. As there is no site fee (although donations gladly accepted) there is no NMS.

We will be providing a sideboard for which there is a \$5.00 fee. There may also be bunks available for a cost of \$5.00 a bunk, for one night only). These fees will be collected on site only.

From the North, West and South: Take your Best Route to I-86, Exit 16 into Randolph NY. Go East on West Main Street for one mile, turn right onto Coldspring Street. Coldspring will run parallel to I-86. At 2.8 miles, Coldspring will split into Coldspring, Ireland and Corbett Hill Roads. Stay straight to transfer onto Corbett Hill and go under I-86. At one mile, Hotchkiss Road branches off and Corbett Hill becomes Sarver. Stay on Sarver Road. After a half mile, take a left onto Upper Gulf Hill Road, follow it for 1/10 of a mile and make the first right onto Moore Road. Moore Road terminates in large loop. Camp Timbercrest is at the back of the loop. Signs will be posted.

From the East: Take your Best Route to I-86, Exit 17. Take NY 394 for about half a mile. Turn left onto Oldro Road, cross under I-86 and take a right onto Upper Gulf Hill Road. Follow Upper Gulf Hill road for 2.5 miles, then make a right onto Moore Road.

Moore Road terminates in large loop. Camp Timbercrest is at the back of the loop. Signs will be posted.



Æthelmearc
Spring Crown Tournament
Shire of Hartstone
Saturday, May 2, 2015
8:30 AM- 7:00 PM
Wellsville Elementary School,
50-98 School St, Wellsville, NY
14895

Good Gentles, it is time once again to join together to bear witness to the fighting prowess of our populous as they vie for the right to ascend the throne. Please join the Shire of Hartstone as our most noble compete for the right to become our Royal heirs and continue the lineage of the beautiful Sylvan Kingdom of Æthelmearc, Bring your day shades, viewing galleries, banners and heraldry to join in the celebration and time honored traditions of supporting our combatants in their quest for the crown.

The Event Autocrat is Lady Lasairfhiona inghean Aindriasa, mka: Vicki Presler, 6549 Gardner Rd, Bath, NY 14810
(607) 382-0690, vpresler@yahoo.com

There will be a dayboard provided by the Shire of Hartstone (included in site fee). Please direct any dietary concerns or needs to Lady Jocelyn of Hartstone, mka: Jeanette Clarke at jleeclarke@gmail.com.

Preregistrations may be mailed to: Shire of Hartstone, PO BOX 45, Kanona, NY 14856. Please make all checks payable to SCA-NY, Inc.-Shire of Hartstone. Also, if you will be bringing a dayshade/gallery/pavillion- please include dimensions and if you are fighting in the tourney, so we can accommodate your needs.

The costs for this event are as follows: Adults-\$15;
Children 6-17- \$6; 5-under Free; Family cap- \$45.
All non-members will be charged the NMS Fee of \$5.

Directions: Take your best route to NY I-86.

From the East:

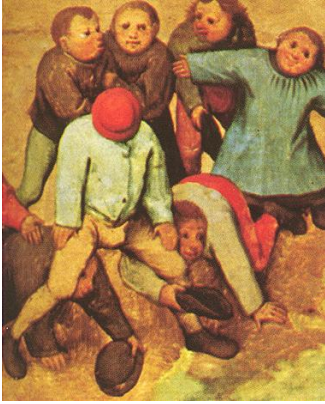
Stay on I-86 W, follow signs for Interstate 86 W/U.S. 17 W/Hornell/Olean/Jamestown; Take exit 33 toward NY-21/Almond/Andover; Turn right onto Karr Valley Rd, Continue onto Karrdale St. Turn right onto NY-21 S/N Main St/Rte 21 S S, continue to follow NY-21 S/Rte 21 S S for 12.8 miles. Turn right onto NY-417 W/E Chestnut St .Continue to follow NY-417 W for 7.8 miles. Turn left onto Fair St, then left onto School St.

Or from Corning, NY:Take the I-86 W/NY-17 W exit. Turn left onto NY-417/S Hamilton St., turn left to merge onto Interstate 99. Take exit 8 for NY-417 toward Erwin/Addison,turn right onto NY-417 W. Stay on NY-417 W for 46.6 miles. Turn left onto Fair St then left onto School St.

From the West:

Take your best route to Olean, NY. Stay on I-86. Take the exit toward State Route 19 N; turn right onto State Route 19 N for 3.3 miles, Slight right onto NY-19 S/Greenwich St Continue to follow NY-19 S for 9.9 miles. Continue onto NY-417 E for .6 miles and turn right onto Fair St then turn left onto School St.

Or, make your way to NY-417 E in Olean and follow for 15.5 miles ; turn right onto NY-417 E/Wellsville St., continue to follow NY-417 E for 12.5 miles, turn right to stay on NY-417 E continue for 2.1 miles, then turn right onto Fair St and left onto School St.



Game of the Month Cockstride

by THF Dagonell
the Juggler

The illustration is a detail from Brueghel's painting, "Children's Games", done in 1560. The rules below are taken from Traditional Games of England, Scotland and Ireland by Alice Gomme.

From Gomme: "One boy is chosen as Cock. He is blindfolded, and stands alone, with his legs as far apart as possible. The other boys then throw their caps as far as they are able between the extended legs of the Cock. After the boys have thrown their caps, and each boy has taken his stand beside his cap, the Cock still blindfolded, stoops down and crawls in search of the caps. The boy whose cap he first finds has to run about twenty yards under the buffeting of the other boys, the blows being directed chiefly to the head. He becomes Cock at the next turn of the game."

Bibliography

Gomme, Alice - Traditional Games of England, Scotland and Ireland (London, Thames and Hudson, 1894, 2 vol. ISBN 0-500-27316-2)

Portman, Paul - Pieter Brueghel's Children's Games (Berne, Hallwag, 1964)

Calendar of Events (contains non-SCA events of interest)

MARCH

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March 5th – Purim

March 8th – Daylight Savings Time begins

March 12th – Lord Bjorn Einarrson's Birthday

March 15th – Mother's Day

March 17th – St. Patrick's Day <http://buffaloirish.com>

March 20th – Spring Equinox

March 21st – Festival of the Passing of the Ice Dragon (Hael)

<http://aethelmearc.org/eventinfo.php?event=989>

March 28th – A Kingdom for a Stage (BMDL)

<http://aethelmearc.org/eventinfo.php?event=1027>

APRIL

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April 1st – April Fool's Day

April 1st – Lady Leonor's Birthday

April 4th – THF Dagonell's Birthday

April 5th – Easter Sunday

April 6th – Dyngus Day! <http://www.dyngusday.com>

April 23rd – Master William Shakespeare's 451st Birthday

MAY

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May 1st – SCA New Year

May 1st – Celebration of the Art of Rapier (Heronter)

<http://aethelmearc.org/eventinfo.php?event=1043>

May 2nd – Spring Crown Tournament (Hartstone)

<http://aethelmearc.org/eventinfo.php?event=928>

May 10th – Mothers' Day

May 14-17 – Aethelmearc War Practice XXVI

<http://aethelmearc.org/eventinfo.php?event=991>

May 24th – Shavut

May 25th – Memorial Day

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