

THE VIGILANCE
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THE HERON FLIES AT WAR
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SHIRE NEWS

Thank You To Steffan, Marci, Lodinn, Bellatrix, Catalina, Drogo, Una, Antonio, Bjorn, and Dagonell for a truly wonderful Viking Village demo! – Antonio

A Big Thank You To: Dorinda, Quin, Antonio, Ren, Keegan, Marcus, Matt, Jonas, Dagonell and Cigfran for all of their help at the Corn Fest Demo! Our location was a bit iffy, but we made the best of it!! Thank you again! In Service, Ian

Congratulations to Tiberius who was made a member of the Order of the Gage on the battlefield at Pennsic! Vivat!

Happy Birthday to Lord William the White who will be celebrating on September 6th!

Happy Birthday to Lady Cigfran Caer Gwalch who will be celebrating on September 10th!

Happy Birthday to Lady Siobhan inghean ui Liathain who will be celebrating on September 28th!

Happy Birthday to Lord Tronose Modoc who will be celebrating on October 4th!

Happy Wedding Anniversary to Will and Thora who will be celebrating on October 10th!

Happy Wedding Anniversary to Dagonell and Cigfran who will be celebrating their 20th *Wedding Anniversary* on October 26th!



House Blackleaf

NEWS FROM PENNSIC 40

by Duchess Dorinda

Aaron the Swift and Duke Cygnus the Blissful entered the Aethelmarc tag team tourney. Aaron also entered the Ealdoremere bear pit tourney.

Lord Ian Kennoven was invited to fight in the Rose Tourney where he fought for Duchess Dorinda Courtenay

Lord Ian Kennoven and Lord Tiberius fought as part of the Aethelmarc 10 man team and the Allied Champions Battle team. (I do not know about Matthew and Marcus).

Dona Dorinda Courtenay entered the Known World Don and Donas Tournament.

Lord Bjorn and Dona Dorinda fought in the Atlantian Five Man Tourney with three fencers from the Midrealm. Team "Bring the Squirrel!" made it to the final eight.

Will, Bjorn and Dorinda all fought fencing war points. Griffin, Cygnus, Ian, Marcus and Matthew all fought heavy weapons war points as did our guests from the East. Duchess Anna served as a water bearer for all heavy weapons battles.

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Summer's End – 2011
The Gion Festival
*(An Ancient Japanese Street
Festival)*

September 10th

In the Canton of Beau Fleuve
St. John de la Salle, 8469 Buffalo
Ave., Niagara Falls, NY 14304

"The Gion Festival is traditionally a time to revel in sultry Summer days, enjoying rich culinary treats and relishing the sights and sounds of an ancient Japanese street festival once used to curry favor with tempestuous kami. There will be heavy fighting for adults and youth, as well as fencing and thrown weapons. Non-martial activities will include an Arts & Sciences competition, a heraldry consultation table, and opportunities to learn gentler arts, such as dancing and puppetry. The Caithness Sisters will be presenting an all-day sideboard of Japanese and Asian delights this year in lieu of a feast.

Reservations and Troll: The site is discreetly damp and will open at 10 am and close at 10 pm.

\$13.00 for SCA members (There is a day-long side-board offered in lieu of a feast. The cost has been split between on-board and off-board from last year.)

\$6.50 for members 17 years old and younger.

No charge for children 4 years old and younger.

There will be a Non-Member Surcharge of \$5.00 added to the fee for those unable to supply proof of SCA membership.

Please make checks payable to "SCA, Inc.

Please send reservations and questions to Pani Zofia

Kowalewska & Lady Magdalena Smythie

(mka Melissa Hannon)53 Koester St. Buffalo, NY 14220

Email: melblackrose@gmail.com or preimann28@verizon.net

Phone: 716-867-5550 (no calls after 9pm, please)

All Day Sideboard:

All food planned has been designed to be very agreeable to the average scadian palette. What does this mean? It means that no one is going to make you eat raw fish. If you've never had Japanese food before, this is a great place to start. In other words, when your average Samurai Joe was looking for a bit of familiar, tasty comfort food, he would eat the things below. Rowena and Sturrhim Caithness will be presenting an all-day sideboard of Japanese and Asian delights this year in lieu of a feast.

Foods will be styled after those of a Japanese street fair and served in three 2-hour removes throughout the day. The Caithness Sisters strive to provide the highest in quality and taste, therefore, this menu is subject to slight changes depending on ingredient availability.

Removes:

11 am - 1 pm: Japanese breakfasty foods with miso soup, omelette roll, rice, pickles and more!

2 pm - 4 pm: Festival food: rice balls, shrimpy things, soba (noodles), pickles, soup and more!

5 pm - 7 pm: Portugese influenced food (know your Japanese history!); beef on a stick, soup, pickles, tea, tempura (deep fried) tofu and more!

Arts & Sciences Competition:

Bring your favorite works to enter and display! There will be prizes awarded to recipients of the Baron's Choice, the Baron-Elect & Baroness-Elect's Choice, and the winner of the populace vote. The competition will be supervised by the current Arts & Sciences champion, THL Roxanne de St. Luc.

Heavy Weapons Fighting:

Marshall in charge: Sir Maynard von dem Steine

Tournament Format: The main tournament is inspired by the Japanese theme of the event and will be fought with match weapons of katana (great sword), naginata (pole-arm), or yari (spear). Depending on number of entrants it will be a double elimination tourney.

If you have them, please bring weapons and extra gauntlets to share. Show up early and we will run some weapon qualifications so that all may participate.

An additional bear pit style tournament will also take place which will include all weapon forms. We will also have melee fighting if time permits.

Inspections begin at 11 am and close at 12 noon. Tournaments begin at noon.

Fencing: More information to come.

Thrown Weapons: Marshal in charge: THL Augusto G.

Heraldry: Master Fridrikr inn gamli Tomasson, Garnet Herald, and THL Solveig Thronardottir will be on hand throughout the day to consult on persona names and devices. Bring your ideas and questions.

Learning the Gentler Arts:

"Kumihimo: Japanese Braid-Making" by Ishiyama Gen'tarou Yori'ie and "Traditional Japanese Folk Dance"

Location & Directions: We are honored to continue the tradition of holding Summer's End at St. John de la Salle, 8469 Buffalo Ave., Niagara Falls, NY 14304.

Directions: *From The East:* Take the I-90 W / NEW YORK STATE THRUWAY W toward BUFFALO (Portions toll), Merge onto I-290 W / YOUNGMANN EXPY via EXIT 50 toward NIAGARA FALLS. Merge onto I-190 N toward NIAGARA FALLS (Portions toll). Merge onto LASALLE EXPY E via EXIT 21A toward TONAWANDAS. Take the RT-384 N ramp. Turn SLIGHT RIGHT onto BUFFALO AVE / NY-384.

From the South: Merge onto I-90 E via EXIT 178A toward BUFFALO (Portions toll) (Crossing into NEW YORK). Merge onto I-190 N via EXIT 53 toward DOWNTOWN BUFFALO / NIAGARA FALLS (Portions toll). Merge onto LASALLE EXPY

E via EXIT 21A toward TONAWANDAS. Take the RT-384 N ramp. Turn SLIGHT RIGHT onto BUFFALO AVE / NY-384.

Schedule:

Site Opens: 10 am

A&S Submission : 10 am - 12 pm

Inspections: 11 am - 12 noon

First Side-Board Remove: 11 am - 1 pm

Heavy Weapons (Great Weapons Tourney): 12 pm, with Bear Pit to follow

Fencing: 2 pm

Thrown Weapons: 12 pm

Second Side-Board Remove: 2 pm - 4 pm

Youth Combat Open Practice: 2 pm

Baronial Court: TBA

Third Side-Board Remove: 5 pm - 7 pm

Regency Court: TBA

Many thanks to our Baron Caleb Reynolds, Baron-Elect Carelos & Baroness-Elect Isolda! Any questions or concerns, please address them to the Autocrat, Minamoto Saiiaiko, 228 Park Avenue, Lockport, NY 14094. Email: [saiiaiko @ yahoo.com](mailto:saiiaiko@yahoo.com)
Phone: 716-439-0272 (no calls after 9 pm, please)

A little background on the Gion Festival:

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gion_Matsuri

SEE YOU THERE
OR BE A NINJA!

Aaron the Swift returning
from a Pennsic class



**HARVEST RAID XVIII
SEPT. 23 - 25, 2011**

**THE SHIRE OF
HERONTER**

BEMUS POINT, NY



THE SHIRE OF HERONTER INVITES ONE AND ALL TO JOIN THEM FOR HARVEST RAID; TO BE HELD ONCE AGAIN AT THE BEAUTIFUL LAKE CHAUTAUQUA LUTHERAN CENTER LOCATED AT 5013 ROUTE 430 IN BEMUS POINT, NY 14712

THE SITE OPENS AT 6:00PM ON FRIDAY AND WILL CLOSE AT NOON ON SUNDAY

THERE IS A FULL WEEKEND OF FIGHTING, FENCING, FEASTING AND FESTIVITIES PLANNED, KICKING OFF ON FRIDAY NIGHT WITH SOCIALIZING IN THE MAIN HALL AND OUR 3RD ANNUAL GLOWSTICK THROW ON THE THROWING RANGE. MARTIAL ACTIVITIES CONTINUE ON SATURDAY WITH BOTH FIGHTING AND FENCING ADDED TO THE MIX. THE EMERALD LAKE PUPPET THEATRE WILL BE RETURNING FOR ANOTHER PERFORMANCE. A SILENT AUCTION IS PLANNED FOR SATURDAY. PLEASE BRING AN ITEM TO DONATE OR CONTACT THE EVENT STEWARD FOR MORE DETAILS.

THE TRADITIONAL HERONTER FEAST WILL BE SATURDAY EVENING AND IS BEING PREPARED BY DUKE MATHEW BLACKLEAF AND BARONESS MARGERITE DE LA MARCHE. FOR FEAST QUESTIONS AND DIETARY CONCERNS, PLEASE CONTACT BARONESS MARGERITE AT HEADCOOK@HERONTER.ORG OR BY PHONE AT (716)450-4983 (NO CALLS AFTER 10 PM, PLEASE)

RESERVATIONS SHOULD BE SENT TO DUCHESS ANNA BLACKLEAF (CHERYL MOORE) 4115 S NINE MILE RD #119, ALLEGANY, NY 14706, RESERVATIONS@HERONTER.ORG PHONE - (716)372-4140 (BEFORE 10 PM PLEASE), AND MUST BE RECEIVED BY SEPTEMBER 19TH TO ENSURE A SEAT AT FEAST. PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO SCA, INC - SHIRE OF HERONTER.

MORE PENNSIC 40 PHOTOS!



Countess Liaden



Duke Cygnus



Aethelmearc's Ten Man Team – Our own Lord Ian at far right.



I thought you needed a jump rope for Double Du(t)ch.



See what you miss by not camping with Heronter?



Duke Marcus at leisure



Lord Liam



Lord Tronose



Mike's gotta have his AM coffee!



M'lady Bella



Baroness Marguerite

Upcoming Calendar – includes non-SCA events of interest

SEPTEMBER

September 5 – Labor Day

September 6 – William the White's Birthday

September 9-10 – Red, White and Blues Festival

<http://festivalsfredonia.com/content/red-white-blues>

September 10 – Summer's End (Beau Fleuve)

<http://www.yamakaminari.com/summers-end-2011>

September 10 – Cigfran's Birthday

September 11 – Patriot's Day

September 17 – Fantasy Faire Demo (Hartstone)

September 17 – Fall Coronation (Hunter's Home)

<http://shireofhuntershome.webs.com/recentupcomingevents.htm>

September 19 – Talk Like a Pirate Day

September 20 – Aethelmearc Day

September 23 – Fall Equinox

September 23-25 – Harvest Raid (Heronter)

<http://www.heronter.org/Events/harvestraid2011.html>

September 28 – Siobhan inghean ui Liathain's Birthday

September 29 – Rosh Hashanah

OCTOBER

October 1 – Games of Leisure and Vice (Hornwood)

<http://hornwood.aethelmearc.org/games/>

October 4 – Tronose Modoc's Birthday

October 8 – Yom Kippur

October 8 – Fall Crown (Endless Hills)

<http://www.endlesshills.info/eventpages/fallcrown.htm>

October 10 – Columbus Day

October 10 – Will and Thora's wedding anniversary

October 14, 1066 -- Battle of Hastings

October 16-17 -- Harvest Moon Tour

<http://www.festivalsfredonia.com/content/harvest-moon-cemetery-tours>

October 29 – Autumn Artisan Challenge (Stormsport)

October 31 – Halloween

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