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CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

JULY

14: Fighter Practice (Flightline Gym - UofL Belknap Campus)

19-August 4: Pennsic War XLII (Slippery Rock, PA)

28: Baronial Meeting & Fighter Practice (Flightline Gym - UofL Belknap Campus)

AUGUST

05: Louisville Stuff & Nonsense hosted by the Baron & Baroness (8pm)

11: Fighter Practice (Flightline Gym - UofL Belknap Campus)

14: Scribal Night hosted by Mistress Bianca (7-9pm)

25: Baronial Meeting & Fighter Practice (Flightline Gym - UofL Belknap Campus)

30-Sept. 2: Fire Arts Symposium (Vine Grove, KY)

SEPTEMBER

02: Louisville Stuff & Nonsense hosted by the Baron & Baroness (8pm)

6-8: Harvest Days Tournament of Chivalry (Pleasant Hill, OH)

08: Fighter Practice (Flightline Gym - UofL Belknap Campus)

11: Scribal Night hosted by Mistress Bianca (7-9pm)

21: Rose Tourney (Howell, MI)

22: Baronial Meeting & Fighter Practice (Flightline Gym - UofL Belknap Campus)

OCTOBER

05: Coronation of Cellach and Vukasin at Red Dragon (Columbus, OH)

07: Louisville Stuff & Nonsense hosted by the Baron & Baroness (8pm)

09: Scribal Night hosted by Mistress Bianca (7-9pm)

11-13: Rendezvous at the Bridge (Gentryville, IN)

13: Fighter Practice (Flightline Gym - UofL Belknap Campus)

19: Crown Tournament (TBD)

27: Baronial Meeting & Fighter Practice (Flightline Gym - UofL Belknap Campus)

Sewing nights are being hosted by Lady Ellowyn Kittel on Friday nights at 7:30pm.
Please contact her for info & directions.

WEEKLY FIGHTER PRACTICE

Every Tuesday at 7:30pm

Flightline Gym, University of Louisville Belknap Campus

For more information, visit our website at www.baronyoftheflame.org

From the Baron and Baroness

The Baronial polls should be in the mail by now, vote early, vote often!

We will try to visit as many people as we can during Pennsic, and you can come see us at Dragon's Claw. Stay hydrated and have fun.

We've included a calendar of duties for the next Baron & Baroness. You don't have to do them all, or do them the way we did, but be prepared to do most of them.

Erick & Camilla

Baron & Baroness

Chatelaine

I'm excited to say that we are experiencing an influx of newcomers into the Barony! We have had three new members join and all are excited to meet more seasoned members to inspire and guide them in their endeavors.

If you are interested in being an SCA mentor for one of our newcomers, please contact me at ernfortney0324@msn.com.

The gold key is adequately stocked at this time, though we will always accept new or gently used garb!

In Service,

THL Eleanor von Atzinger

Exchequer

Greetings everyone!

There is nothing new to report with for the Barony of the Flame. At the last Baronial Meeting preparations were in full swing for Christmas Tourney! I hope everyone has a fantastic season and those of you who travel to Pennsic be safe and have fun!

In Service,

Lady Honor von Atzinger

Outgoing Seneschal

Greetings unto the Barony of the Flame:

This shall be my last report to you as the Seneschal, as I step down effective 30 June 2013, and had the reigns over to Ceadda. The last two and a half years have been productive for the Barony, and I can only thank you all for your help and support during this time. I hope that you all give Ceadda the same level of support I had as Seneschal.

As we prepare for the transition of Baron and Baroness, I want to remind folks that when the polls come in the mail next month, it is important to have a quick turn around on getting them back to the transition officer.

That said, it has been an honor and a privilege to be the seneschal, and I look forward to assisting my successor in this endeavor.

In Service,

Dovaidu maqqas Bagnaidi

Incoming Seneschal

My greetings to the great people of the Barony of the Flame. Lord Dovaidu has served our land well and I thank him for the chance to be able to step up and take on the reigns of Seneschal for this, one of the oldest Baronies in one of the oldest Kingdoms of the Known World. I take on this great responsibility eagerly and I hope that I will be able to provide service that might one day measure up against that of my predecessors.

For those who don't know me well, I like to consider myself very approachable. Please feel free to contact me with your questions and concerns and I will do my very best to reply to you in a timely fashion. I am currently enrolled full time at the University of Louisville but will do my best to serve as a valued Steward to all in the Barony.

In the last seven years I've been involved in the Society, I've traveled to many other Shires, Baronies and Kingdoms, and I have seen the strength and commitment represented by the People of the Flame as no other. You are an excellent people and I have full faith in each of you that we will continue to shine in this Kingdom and all other Kingdoms.

Until the chance of our next meeting, be well my friends.

Yours in Service,

Lord Ceadda of Fox Hall

Chronicler

Greetings!

Summer is in full swing, and Pennsic is almost upon us. I will be documenting the event with lots of photography, and hope to feature some photos in the next newsletter.

We are welcoming a new Seneschal and many newcomers! How exciting! I wish each of you a wonderful summer and a safe Pennsic if you are making the journey.

Well will also be welcoming a new Baron and Baroness this year. Her Excellency of the Flame, Baroness Camilla, has submitted a helpful calendar of activities and events that the new Baron and Baroness might learn from.

Finally, I'd like to apologize for this issue being completed a little later than normal. The holiday and Simple Day kept me busy last week!

In Service,

Lady Marissa von Atzinger

Arts & Sciences

We continue to offer Scribal night in Radcliff on the second Wednesday of the month. Several members of the Barony made a trip last Wednesday to the Lily Library at the University of Indiana, Bloomington. We had an wonderful time and their staff was very accommodating. We will be planning another trip within the next 6 months, and I encourage those who are interested in the scribal arts to join us.

The Baron and Baroness also continue to offer Arts and Sciences evenings at their home once a month.

Looking ahead toward Christmas Tourney, we will be having a populous vote again this year. We are also putting out a call for performers for feast. Specifically, we are hoping to have ongoing performances throughout the feast, so if you are interested in doing so please contact me so that we can begin to gather a roster. If you know of someone outside the Barony who might be interested, please pass along this information to them as well.

Lady Maiosara Sauromatis

To the Next Baron and Baroness

For almost 10 years, Erick and I have had the privilege and honor of serving as the Baron and Baroness of the Flame. A few things have changed; a few duties have been added. These are the basics:

You hold the Barony in fief for Their Majesties and it is your job to make sure the Barony continues a long tradition as the first SCA group founded in Kentucky.

There are approximately 72 practices and 12 meetings a year. Mercifully, the meetings overlap some of the practices. We attend the majority of them. We have shown up for some second Sunday practices when no one else did. We frequently bring loaner armor, heavy and light. We bring waivers for new fighters to sign. We usually call security if the building is locked. We try to meet and greet everyone in attendance. If you think this alone is too much of a commitment, ask yourself if you REALLY want to be Baron and Baroness. The populace wants the Baron and Baroness to be visible. We've heard several cautionary tales about Barons and Baronesses who only show up at events. Not everyone attends events, the bulk of their SCA participation may only be at practices.

Being Baron and Baroness has a steady trickle of duties; this is an overview showing stuff you could do. Not every Baronial couple does all of these things, some do different things, and everyone develops their own style.

January: Write up people for awards for Candlemas and Gulf Wars. The recommendation window closes about a month ahead of time, so you have to plan accordingly. When writing awards, you need both SCA and mundane names. Check on the progress of the Regional A&S bid if necessary. The bid and date for Regional A&S 2013 was settled by November 2012. Find out if the Barony won the bid for Prichard for Christmas Tourney. If not, start looking for a site. Attend 12th Night, and encourage everyone to attend. Select people for Baronial awards, write the scrolls, sign them, and create the award tokens to go with them.

February: Update award recommendations for Border Raids. Attend Candlemas, Better War Through Archery or Val Day. Remember, when you attend an event, you need to bring the coronets, the banners, and the thrones. You should always wear as much Baronial bling as possible. You are representing the Barony, show it off! Post a reminder on the Flamebridge about a Baronial encampment at Pennsic. Not every Barony has an encampment at Pennsic, but I think it's a great idea.

March: Try to attend an event every month to six weeks if possible. Check to see if Christmas Tourney is on the Kingdom Calendar. Review award recommendations. Try to schedule a scribal day.

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April: Attend Regional A&S. Plan on judging, assisting in cleanup, and presenting the awards. If Aurea Ripae holds an event, plan on attending that. Post a notice on the Flamebridge about a Baronial encampment and potluck at Border Raids. You're trying to promote Baronial unity. With each new reign, you need to send a State of the Barony Report to the Baronial recording secretary so they can present the collated information to Their Majesties by Coronation. Start writing the report now. Review award recommendations for Coronation, Border Raids and Crown Tourney.

May: Depending on the desire of the incoming royals, you may be requested to attend Coronation. This means you will attend all of the Coronation and the court. During our second term, the role of landed nobility has been expanded a bit, and most royalty want them to be very visible in their role as representatives of the Crown. You may also be invited to set up next to the Royal Presence at Crown Tourney. At Border Raids, make sure everyone knows where you are if they want to camp with you. Bring something for the potluck, and make sure everyone knows when and where it will be.

June: Review award recommendations for Simple Day, Pennsic, and Rendezvous.

July: Attend Simple Day. Encourage the peers to work at the Peer on Duty table at Midrealm Royal at Pennsic. Ask if anyone wants to fight as a Baronial unit.

Pennsic: Before you plan anything else, find out the time of the Baronial Heavy Champions' Tourney, the Baronial Rapier Champions' Tourney, and any Baronial meetings at Midrealm Royal. Double check with your Champions to make sure they know the schedule. If your Champions are there, attend the ENTIRE tourney. They are representing the Barony to the Known World. Attend Opening Ceremonies, wet or dry. Visit as many household encampments as possible. Get the thrones to the barn midafternoon the day of Midrealm court. Get the thrones back to camp afterward.

September: Attend Irish Fest and talk to the crowd. As Baron and Baroness, it is your duty to be the public face of the SCA, and that means talking to people. Write up awards for Christmas Tourney. State of the Barony report due soon.

October: Southwest Fest. Go Friday night for set up and plan on being there all day Saturday. Again, talk to the crowd.

November: Christmas Tourney planning. If you're lucky, the Seneschal and the Autocrat have everything under control. So far, we've been pretty lucky. Find out who will attend the raffle for Prichard for Christmas Tourney next year.

December: Christmas Tourney. Greet the Royals, check in with all the activity areas (heavy, light, youth, troll, A&S, kitchen, merchants). Bring something for the Royalty luncheon and the gift baskets. Double check about head table seating and Court. Sometimes you play tag with the Herald and Chamberlin all day on these topics.

- Baroness Camilla

New Additions to the Bridwell Art Library

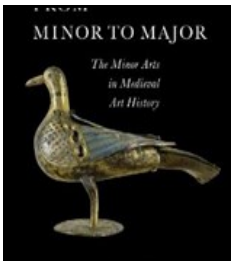
- Submitted by Mistress Cordelia

The Bridwell Art Library is located in Schneider Hall (across the parking lot from the Flightline Gym on UofL's Belknap Campus). The library is open to the public for viewing, and is equipped with two color scanners and a black-and-white copier. You can scan images to your email for free, or pay $0.15 per page for black-and-white printing. Sunday fighter practice is a great time to stop by!

Check out the summer hours:

Hours: Mon-Fri 8am-5pm; Sat 10am-1pm; Sun closed

Call 852-6741 for exceptions. Website: http://louisville.edu/library/art/

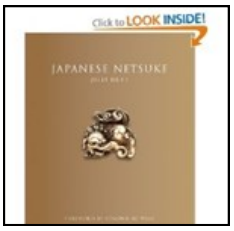


FROM MINOR TO MAJOR: THE MINOR ARTS IN MEDIEVAL ART HISTORY / COLUM HOURIHANE

This collection explores the way in which the minor arts (variously called decorative, applied, ornamental, luxury, sumptuous, or even mechanical arts) have fought back to gain wider acceptance in our holistic approach to studying the arts of the Middle Ages. No longer considered secondary, they are now firmly incorporated into our studies.

WOMEN & THE VISUAL ARTS IN ITALY C.1400-1650 / MARY ROGERS & PAOLA TINAGLI

The anthology of original sources from c.1400 to 1650, translated from Italian or Latin, and accompanied by introductions and bibliographies, is concerned with women's varied involvement with the visual arts and material culture of their day.

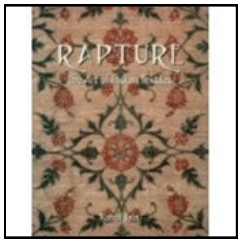


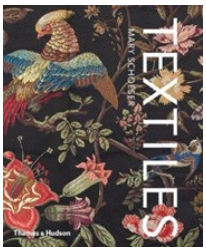
JAPANESE NETSUKE: VICTORIA AND ALBERT MUSEUM / JULIA HUTT

The netsuke is a thing of wonder: a tiny utilitarian accessory to traditional Japanese dress that has become an art form in itself, prized by collectors from East to West. The V&A's collection of netsuke is world-famous, and this stunning book draws on its many highlights to explore the origins of netsuke and to trace the sources of these designs in prints, paintings, and woodblock-printed books.

RAPTURE - THE ART OF INDIAN TEXTILES / RAHUL JAIN

This book celebrates India's spectacular textile art. It takes the reader on a visual odyssey spanning 500 years, tracing the images created on cloth for India's magnificent courts and temples, as well as for more distant but not less discerning patrons in Europe and Asia.





TEXTILES: THE ART OF MANKIND / MARY SCHOESER

Textiles are the most ubiquitous, diverse, and consistently creative art form on the planet. This major new work comprises more than one thousand images that highlight the beauty, subtlety, simplicity, or complexity of textiles created around the world.