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HARU MITSURI: A JAPANESE HAIRE AFFAIRE

Haire Affaire is fast approaching. It will be held February 23 at the Marathon Park Youth Building in Wausau.

Volunteers are needed. Please contact event staff:

Autocrats:

Lord Hideyoshi Yoshimitsu-
Lady Arianna da Lucca

Classes/Troll:

Lady Emelye Ambroys

Merchants/Silent Auction:

Lady Beatrice

Feast: Mistress Ealasaid

Royalty Liason:

Lady Marie Dudley

Plans include Japanese themed armoured and rapier combat, classes, silent auction, and pending Roy-

alty approval, Court. A simple lunch will be available for a modest fee. The evening Japanese-themed feast will be available to the first 48 who purchase tickets at \$ 10 each. First come-first served, no prereg. Servers are needed and will eat free (students of Falcon's Gate are encouraged to serve.

The menu includes:

Smoked salmon sushi)

Daikon&Carrot salad

Miso soup

Fish in miso sauce & rice

Brown rice shitake soup-

Southern Barbarian Chicken

Turnip, prawn & mangetout

Sweet pancakes & fried cake (desserts were actually part of the tea ceremony)

Much of what we think of as Japanese food is modern, well after 1600. Through most of the middle ages, the Japanese did not eat domestic animals but relied on rice, vegetables including seaweed, fish, and for the uppermost classes, wild fowl such as crane. Eating of red meat was generally unacceptable. The use of chicken meat came in with the Portuguese in the Renaissance, hence the term "Southern Barbarian" chicken. Sushi was invented as a way of preserving fish and the rice was discarded until about the 1400's. Each diner was served individually, which we will accomplish with disposable dishes.

FEBRUARY 17 MOOT

The next moot will be held at 1pm at the home of Lord Alessandro and lady Mary (Jason and Mary Welker)

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Rothschild, WI

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Take best route to I 39 N. Take exit 185 (the cedar creek exit). Turn right at the bottom of the exit ramp onto Bus. Hwy 51. Follow this approximately 1.5 miles to Florence St, there is a closed down gas station on the corner. (If you've gone to Citgo you've gone one block too far.)

Take a right onto Florence St. The house is on the left, the second house on the second block. It's green with a maple tree in the front yard.

UPCOMING MOOTS AND PRACTICES

- *February Moot 2/17*
Hosts: Alessandro & Mary Wausau
- *March Moot 3/24*
Hosts: Pedro & Emelye Marshfield
- *April Work Moot 4/21*
Cooki for Bardic Madness
Ealasaid & Guttorm
Stratford
- *Fighter & Rapier Practice*
Mondays at 7pm UW SP

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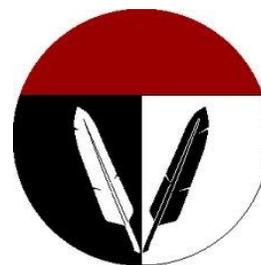
Greetings from Mistress Ealasaid nic Phearsoinn,

Much has changed since I last had occasion to write as chronicler. We have moved from a paper publication to an almost entirely electronic one. I suspect that few if any are printing out the entire Mewsletter as a booklet, so I have decided to change to a format that is better suited for electronic access. If you find this is not to your liking, please let me know.

While redesigning the Mewsletter, I want to make it as useful as possible to the folk of Falcon's Keep and Falcon's Gate. If you have ideas for things you would like to see in the Mewsletter, please let me know. If you have something you would like published, please send it to me electronically by the twentieth of the month. If I contact you asking for something I need (such as directions to your home for the upcoming moot) please send it as quickly as possible.

Yours in service,

Ealasaid



INGA, A COURAGEOUS 13TH C WOMAN

The Inga Lami, a women's Nordic ski event at Minocqua Winter Park, celebrates Inga Vartieg, the mother of Haakon Haakonsson, the infant king rescued by the Birkebeiners during an early 13th C civil war in Norway. Inga and 2 brave men skied from Lillehammer to Trondheim in bitter weather to take the infant king far away from the faction that had killed his father. After this daring trip, Inga faced other challenges including a trial by ordeal (carrying a red hot poker without burning her hands) to prove her son was indeed the offspring of the late king. Young Haakon was finally crowned at age 13. He became a powerful king fostering the development of Norway and the annexation of Iceland and the Norse colony in Greenland.

Ealasaid wore the Greenland gown replica which she wove in Norway last year along with her nalbinding mittens and used the new skis and poles she made during a ski-making class which she and Baron Guttorm took at the Northhouse Folk School. Inga would have skied with only 1 pole, but otherwise the clothing and gear is very similar to what she would have used.

Web pages :

www.sca.org

www.northshield.org

www.falconskeep.org

www.uwsp.edu/stuorg/falcon/index.htm

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Ealasaid at the Inga Lami 2013 skiing in her 13th C Greenland gown on wooden skis she made herself.

JANUARY 20, 2013 MOOT

At the home of Lady Arianna and Lord Rogan, Wisconsin Rapids.
Prepared by Lord Pedro de Benavides

Officer Reports:

Chatelaine: Marie noted the attendance of two new members to last month's moot; also acknowledged interest in the Keep via the facebook page. She also suggested the promotion of the Keep's presence on Facebook and Yahoo Groups on the website for any of the interested populace.

Chronicler: the office is now in transition from Pedro to Mistress Ealasaid. More details about the Chronicler's materials will be addressed later.

Falcon's Gate (via Kiku): Business meeting scheduled for the Gate on the following Thursday. There is also now a website for the Gate on the UWSP system. The Gate also has a booth for the UWSP Involvement Faire, which is apparently scheduled for the first Wednesday in February. Any available Keep members are encouraged to attend to support the Gate- especially fighters.

There was also a side discussion regarding plans for the Gate to hold a fundraising bake sale using period recipes.

Thrown Weapons: Alessandro discussed the plans for acquiring spear tips, noting the price was \$70.00 for good quality spear tips. The spear tips would be used for Poorman's. Several alternatives were presented: the Keep making spear tips; buying less expensive, but also less durable, spear tips. As the possibility exists for buying some at Gulf Wars, as with the arrows, the subject was apparently resolved for now.

Also, he has need for wood for targets. The preferable wood would be a "soft" wood. A discussion followed regarding the exact wood needed. From this discussion, it appears that the Keep has a plentiful source for basswood that would serve for targets- and, quite possibly, for bowls.

Exchequer: Current Balance (less transactions on the day of the Moot): \$8510.32. Yearly report was finalized and sent in. Lady Mary distributed a copy for the Moot to peruse. A brief summary: the Keep has a loss of \$1900. This was due to the contribution to the Kingdom's Emergency Fund, as well as other contributions. Lady Mary noted that a single year's loss is not something to be concerned about- but that losses extended over several years is. The Keep would do well to have this in mind.

The office is also now in transition, with Arianna taking over Mary's duties by March.

Mary also suggested that the Keep invest in Memory Sticks for easier record keeping. This led to a general discussion about other offices having a memory stick as well. An element of discussion regarded the current use by the Chronicler. It was resolved that the Keep would authorize buying memory sticks for the following offices: Exchequer; Chronicler; Webminister; Herald; and Historian.

The historian position stems from Pedro's project to write a history for the Keep. As such, it was determined that he should retain most

of the Chronicler's materials for use in the history. Pedro also encouraged anyone that would be willing to send him favorite remiscs or photography from past events.

A&S: Lady Marie will lead a tatting class after the Moot.

Webminister: Permission to publish forms will be needed for any members willing to appear on the website. The webmistress thanks everyone who already has. All serving officers are required to do so. The yearly Website fee has been paid.

There is a need for an updated group picture as well. This would probably be accomplished at Haire Affaire. The exact method has yet to be determined.

Herald: Co-ordination needed for transfer of materials.

Rapier Marshal: Planning tournaments for Haire Affaire.

Fighting practice at UWSP will resume shortly.

Haire Affaire Planning:

Alex will have a notebook set up at Troll for cries needed throughout the day.

Demonstration model for chopstick favors given out to the Moot. It is planned that 70 will be produced.

Yoshi would like to bring in his tent for the royalty area rather than the carport, as he believes this would lend a more Japanese appearance.

Mistress Ealasaid reiterated her desire for more small teapots and tea cups for the green tea to be served. She also noted that the dishwasher's job would be much easier this year, as most items would be served on disposable items. The wooden serving boards would still be required.

Electric fry pans would be needed, and co-ordination of the Nescos was accomplished. The large coffee pot would also be used, though it would need to be deep cleaned for the green tea.

Lunch will be held by Lady Mary, as it was last year.

Poorman's Planning:

Poorman's will be held in the second weekend of August. This is a firm date, pending approval by the Crown.

Lady Mary has volunteered to be a co-ordinator for the consideration- and follow up- for a Poorman's site move. This was done to eliminate the yearly speculation regarding a site change, but no discernible action. Mary also requested volunteers to accompany her to the various meetings that this would require. She also would like anyone with input to direct their inquiries to her.

Bardic Madness Planning: Pre-registration will be required for Feast. He also asked for volunteers for set-up/ take-down of the event.

Late Breaking additions and corrections: It was noted that the original date for the March moot had been scheduled on Easter- March 31. The date for the March Moot is now March 24, at the usual time, at Emelye and Pedro's house in Marshfield.

EVENT CALENDAR



February, 2013

Nordleigh Regional Armoured and Light Moot, Saturday Feb 2, Canton of Nordleigh,(Rosemount, MN)
Stellar University of Northshield Saturday February 9, Shire of Wynandremer (St Cloud MN)
Une Fete d'Amour Saturday February 16, Shire of Midewinde (Minot ND)
Hertzkrieg Saturday February 16, College of Svatý Sebesta (Vermillion SD)
Fighting in the Shade III Saturday February 16, Barony of Jararvellir (Madison, WI)
Eastern Regional Rapier Practice, Sunday February 17, Barony of Jararvellir (Madison, WI)
A Japanese Haire Affaire Saturday February 23, Shire of Falcon's Keep (Wausau WI)

March, 2013

Lupercalia Saturday March 2, Shire of Rivenwood Tower (Nicollet MN)
Gulf Wars XXII Sunday March 10-17, Kingdom of Gleann Abhann (Lumberton MS)
That Moot Thingy XIII: OMG a Teenager! Fri-Sun March 15-17, Canton of Coille Stoirmeil (Tomah WI)
Tournament of Chivalry/Ides of March, Saturday March 23, Shire of Trewint (Brookings SD)

April, 2013

Spring Coronation Saturday April 13, Shire of Trewint (Mitchell SD)
THACO 4 - The Armored Combat Outing Saturday April 20, Barony of Nordskog (St. Paul MN)
Provost Challenge, Fri-Sun April 26-28, Shire of ColdeFort Pierre SD)dernhale (
Bardic Madness XXIII Sat-Sun April 27-28, Shire of Falcon's Keep (Marshfield WI)

May, 2013

Spring Crown, Saturday May 11, Barony of Jararvellir (Stoughton, WI)
Quest for Camelot, Thur-Sun May 16-19, Shire of Schattentor (Sturgis, SD)
Lamb to Loom, Saturday May 18, Shire of Trum an dem See (Random Lake, WI)
Raid the Kitchen, Fri-Sat May 24-25, Shire of Rivenwood Tower (Mankato MN)
ARRG XII, Fri-Sun May 24-26, Barony of Jararvellir (Montello, WI)
Silks and Needles , Saturday May 25, Shire of Korsvag (Fargo, ND)
Mermaids XX, Fri-Sun May 31-Jun 2, Shire of Turm an dem See (Valders, WI)

Longer Term Future

Border Skirmish, Fri-Sun Jun 7-9, Barony of Caer Anterth Mawr (Elkhorn, WI)
Warriors and Warlords XX, Thur-Sun July 11-14, Barony of Jararvellir (Boscobel WI)
Pennsic 42, July 19-Aug 3, Kingdom of Aethelmearc (Slippery Rock, PA)

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