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Cover Story:

Basket weaving class, December 16 2012. Picture by Elizabeth Christiansen.

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It appears I have a second "final" issue! The date for the official "passing of the quill" has been postponed until January's moot. In the meantime, I will fill you in on some important issues.

With a new year coming, it is time to turn our attention to the events that are coming up. 2013 promises to be a very busy year for the Shire.

In addition to our yearly **Haire Affaire**, now entering its twentieth year(!) in February, we have the honor of hosting the wandering event known as **Bardic Madness** in May. Milords Yoshi and Alessandro are autocrating each event respectively. And, of course, there is **Poorman's Pennsic**, which will be held in August. As will be noted in the minutes, there may be a location change in the offing, depending on several factors. Be sure to weigh in on this if you wish.

Finally, it should be noted that this is the twentieth year, officially, since Falcon's Keep was hatched out of the egg. It has been sadly noted that there is no 'official' history of the Keep. I would like to remedy this.

Even though I will be stepping down from the duties of the Chronicler, I will take up the task of compiling this history. I suppose that makes me the 'unofficial' historian of Falcon's Keep. I'll go into more detail later about what I have in mind. I would suggest, however, that some of you might want to dust off your favorite stories and recollections...

Atentamente en el Servicio, Dedro de Benavides

December 16 Moot Minutes At the home of Baron Guttorm and Mistress Ealasaid

Chronicler's note: There are many late updates to include; these will be noted after the official minutes.

Officer Reports

Chatelaine: EVERCON Demo on Saturday January 12. Time: 10 am to 2 pm at the EVERCON site: DC Everest Junior High, in the library. Lady Marie asked the moot to welcome two new gentles to the Shire.

Thrown Weapons: No new Business.

Arts & Sciences: Lady Emelye noted that there would be an A&S project following the Moot: basket weaving. It is to be directed by Lady Beatrice's mother.

Chronicler: Final issue sent out. A request was made by Pedro to retain the Chronicler's materials for a time for organization and possible digitization.

Haire Affaire Planning:

The design of the Favors was discussed; a possible design was passed around for approval. Kiku would like to find a light, relatively grain-free wood, possibly like poplar, to burn the image presented on to. 150 would be needed.

Kiku asked the moot about the policies of the event building in order to be able to raise banners if practicable.

Mistress Ealasaid welcomed the moot to sample some dishes she has prepared as possible entrees for Haire Affaire.

December 16 Moot minutes (continued)

Lady Emelye will start requesting teachers for classes.

Fees for Merchants were established for Haire Affaire: \$15.00; \$10.00 with \$5.00 worth donation to Silent Auction.

It was confirmed that Her Majesty will attend. (Though it was not in the minutes, it is thought that Lady Marie would be the Royalty Liaison.)

No Work Moot would be necessary for this Haire Affaire, as the dishes would most likely be easily prepared near to or on the day of the event.

A suggestion was made the lunch held by Lady Mary may also be a fundraising event for the Gate. As of this writing, this is not confirmed.

Bardic Madness Planning:

Alessandro requested volunteers for set up/tear down at the event. He noted that the majority of the tear down would occur immediately after feast; but there would be some who would need to stay until early morning for 'final' tear down.

He also noted that the Baymont Inn in Marshfield would be the chosen hotel for Bardic Madness participants.

December 16 Moot minutes (continued)

Poorman's Pennsic Planning:

The dates of the event have been suggested: August 16-18, 2013.

The subject of changing venue for Poorman's was raised. A lively discussion followed.

It was noted that there were fewer (or no) incidents regarding unauthorized mundanes infiltrating the event in the evenings at the Lions Club site, a cause for friction at the old site at North Wood County Park. Others noted the attendance was not as high as anticipated at the new site. Also, some were of the opinion the medieval ambience was not evident at the new site.

A factor in the decision to change venue- uncooperative officials at North Wood County Park- is reported to have changed. There may be an opportunity for a better relationship with the Park. It was also noted that access to North Wood County Park is now much improved with the recent upgrade of US 10 outside of Marshfield. While there are other factors that would need to be considered, especially regarding Equestrian needs, a suggestion was made to contact the new officials at North Wood County Park for initial discussion. Also, anyone else that would have a suggestion for a new site, or would want to express an opinion on this subject, are welcome to contact Lady Beatrice.

December 16⁷Moot minutes (continued)

Future Moots:

January 20: Wisconsin Rapids. Hosts: Rogan and Arianna.

February 17: Wausau. Hosts: Alessandro and Mary.

March 31: Marshfield. Hosts: Pedro and Emelye.

April 21: Work Moot (for Bardic Madness feast), Strat-

ford. (pending confirmation)

Officer Changes:

Lady Caoilfhinn Inghean Maghnusa -Web Mistress Lord Alessandro- Deputy Seneschal Lady Arianna- Exchequer Yoshidaru Kiku- Chatelaine

Late Additions/ Confirmations/ General Updates:

EVERCON demo: Fighters would be advised to prepare for slow work; no long sticks.

Final Mewsletter Issue for Pedro would be January 2013. (hence, this issue)

Future Moots and Haire Affaire are now posted on Facebook under the Events tab. Many thanks to Kiku for doing this.

The A&S Project lasted long, it appears. Lady Emelye reported it broke up at approximately 9 PM. However, if her basket is any indication, the projects came out excellently.

Web pages of interest:

www.sca.org
www.northshield.org
www.falconskeep.org
www.uwsp.edu/stuorg/falcon/index.htm
www.medievalhorseandclothing.com

Selected Facebook Groups:

SCA

Northshield

Shire of Falcon's Keep

Falcon's Gate at UWSP

Falcon's Keep/Windhaven Joint Practice

Don't forget to check out our Yahoo group:

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/falconskeep/

Special Announcement:

Lord Pedro will shortly begin compiling a working history of Falcon's Keep and Falcon's Gate. However, as any good historian knows, words in old books and parchment are not enough for a 'true' history.

If you are interested in contributing to the history— whether by providing tales or photography, please feel free to e-mail me at nouseforaname 101@hotmail.com. I am keeping a separate e-mail address to make sure any content doesn't get "lost". You may also send me content by mail if you prefer. While there is no set deadline, I am hoping to have enough for a book ready by August— in time for Poorman's. Updates will be provided here in the Mewsletter as they are available.



Event Ccalendar

January, 2013

12th Night and Baronial Investiture

Saturday January 5, 2013 Barony of Nordskogen (Ramsey, MN)

12th Night in the Black Forest: A Hohenstaufen Wonderland

Saturday January 12, 2013 Kingdom of Middle (Chicago IL)

Pirates Ravage the Plains: A Period Pirate Event Saturday January

19, 2013 Barony of Castel Rouge (Winnipeg MB)

It's Only a Flesh Wound Saturday January 26, 2013

Barony of Jararvellir (Jefferson WI)

February, 2013

Stellar University of Northshield Saturday February 9, 2013

Shire of Wynandremer (St Cloud MN)

Une Fete d'Amour Saturday February 16, 2013

Shire of Midewinde (Minot ND)

Hertzkrieg Saturday February 16, 2013

College of Svatý Sebesta (Vermillion SD)

A Japanese Haire Affaire Saturday February 23, 2013

Shire of Falcon's Keep (Wausau WI)

March, 2013

Lupercalia Saturday March 2, 2013

Shire of Rivenwood Tower (Nicollet MN)

Gulf Wars XXII Sunday March 10-17, 2013 as

Kingdom of Gleann Abhann (Lumberton MS)

That Moot Thingy XIII: OMG a Teenager! Friday March 15-17,

2013 Canton of Coille Stoirmeil (Tomah WI)

April, 2013

Spring Coronation Saturday April 13, 2013

Shire of Trewint (Mitchell SD)

THACO 4 - The Armored Combat Outing Saturday April 20, 2013

Barony of Nordskogen (St. Paul MN)

Bardic Madness XXIII Saturday April 27-28, 2013

Shire of Falcon's Keep (Marshfield WI)

January Moot Sunday, January 20, 2012, 1 PM At the home of Lord Rogan and Lady Arianna 4321 80th St S, Wisconsin Rapids

Directions From Marshfield:

Take Hwy 13 into town.

Turn right onto the Riverview Expressway.

Go all the way through town and out to the Stop Sign. (You will pass several stoplights, just keep going straight) Turn Right onto County Trk U (80th St.) The house is on the left directly across from Conley's supper club.

From Wausau,

Take I-39 South to exit 153. (Hwy B) Turn Right onto B. Continue straight onto Hwy 54. Follow 54 for about 20 miles. You will see signs for South Wood County Park and County Trunk U. Turn left onto Cty Trk U (80th St.) Continue on 80th for about 5 miles. The house is on the left directly across from Conley's supper club.

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