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**Can you identify these spectators at Pennsic 25?**

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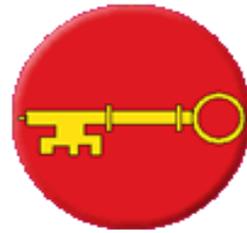
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## *Greetings from your Seneschal!*



Greeting Keepers-

Hopefully everyone survived the wind storms of WW. I hope that everyone was able to take something new away from the event. I was happy to learn my tent could with stand the 60 mile per hour wind gusts we got with the storms. I hope the weather we get for Poorman's will be more gentle.

There are still a few openings for help at Poorman's. If you are interested in volunteering your time please contact Asli McCaran at [mjalnes@yahoo.com](mailto:mjalnes@yahoo.com).

I am looking for people to donate chili or chili toppings or chips for Poorman's chili feed. If you are able to help please let me know at [venom@charter.net](mailto:venom@charter.net) Last year we had a great success and fed about 50 people. I hope to serve at least the same amount of people this year.

At Poor Man's if you should meet someone who is interested in joining our fun please let then know about the August moot which will be on Sunday the 10th, 1pm at North Wood County Park.

I also would like to invite all shire member to the meeting to be held on Friday night at Poorman's. More information will be available at Troll when signing in.

Thank you for you time.

Mary of Falcon's Keep

## *The Chronicler's Quill*

Greetings onto the folk  
of the Shire of Falcon's Keep,



Unfortunately I am unable to attend the July and August moots. I want to remind all of you that despite my absence, I hope you will discuss the concept of moving to a free mostly electronic Mewsletter with hard copies only for Royalty, specific Kingdom and SCA officers, and the folk in the shire who have no internet access. The cost of sending the necessary hard copies would be only about \$75 per year which I will be asking the Shire to contribute. The advantage would be that if paid subscriptions are not required, we can post the Mewsletter on the website. This will increase access without increasing costs. We will plan to go to a format that allows printing for those who want to possess a hard copy. Officers and those hosting moots or other activities would be expected to allow their contact information to appear on the internet as well as on paper (which most have already done). The Web Minister can help officers establish a separate email address if there are any who cannot or do not wish to use their personal email. The change to non-subscription would not be implemented until January but we need to decide ahead of time so that people who have been getting hard copies can get used to accessing the electronic version.

Another effect of my absence at the July and August moots is to make it clear how badly I need a deputy. Not only would it have been nice to have someone to give report when I can't attend a moot, but also we need someone who can be preparing to take over. This Yule will be my 2nd anniversary as chronicler, and I had only originally planned to hold the position for 2-3 years.

Last but not least I am always in need of more material for the Mewsletter. Cover art is desperately needed. Also the addition of event descriptions, A&S articles and other interesting material could make the Mewsletter something worth reading rather than just a reference to turn to when looking for directions to the next moot.

YIS  
Ealasaid

## Anachronists Book Review:

### Lady Eve of Lynn

My summer's selection of a nonfiction book is almost finished. I try to read at least one nonfiction book every month. This month I took on *Magnifico: The brilliant life and violent times of Lorenzo de' Medici*. This is definitely not a volume to be read in a single day, but is well worth the effort of anyone who has chosen to recreate a 15th century Renaissance man.

Alison Weir published her first book *Britain's Royal Families* in 1989 and followed it up with many other works of nonfiction. In *The Lady Elizabeth* and her other work of fiction *Innocent Traitor; A novel of Lady Jane Gray*, Weir has used her talents as historian to craft an intriguing novel based on the life of the young future Queen Elizabeth I.

Alison Weir's entrance into the ranks of historian turned novelist is a welcome addition to my list of authors to look for.

*Genghis: Lords of the Bow* is Conn Iggulden's second book based on the life of Genghis Khan. The first in the series was *Genghis; Birth of an Empire* which I have yet to read. This is the second time this year that I am way down on the reserve list.



## Event Report: Warriors and Warlords

This was, as usual, a great event! The new site in Boscobel is a bit more than 3 hours away from our house, but is green with some shade trees and did not get muddy even after a torrential thunderstorm. Everything was within reasonable walking distance. A booth on site sold excellent produce though unfortunately this had to be mostly cooked on stoves as no ground fires were allowed.

The traditional events included light and heavy fighting with a variety of scenarios including the Baroness' Whim (zombies fighting with body parts) and the Bad Baroness' Torchlight tournament (at which during a break, His Highness Raito fought and won a wrestling match in defense of Her Highness' honor). There was an excellent variety of food and drink at the Baronial Open House (if you did not try the two cherry dishes you missed something outstanding).

There were a variety of interesting classes. The ones I took included Chi Gong Chinese Energy Exercises (which certainly came in handy later when I took bladesmithing), Early Period Northern European Trousers, and So How Do I Know That My Dress is Really Wool? aka Margaret Sets things on Fire (by burning a swatch you really can tell when your fabric is synthetic because it melts and drips). Making a blade is a all day project, but a really interesting experience (and after a few days you can even move your arm).

Last, but definitely not least there was the shopping. The selection was excellent this year. Guttorm purchased a rapier with a hilt and quillions like a real sword (none of this cavalier stuff). Most exciting was the shop with hand woven cloth. The leg wraps are great!

As usual we saw many old friends.  
If you missed it this year, try to make it next time.  
Ealasaid

## Brewers, Vintners & Cooks

Our next meeting will be bread-baking at Guttorm & Ealasaïd's at a time to be determined. We will be experimenting with period breads including the use of ale or barm containing live yeast as a leavening for bread. A period bread recipe is given below for any who wish to experiment prior to the meeting.

### Brede (Harlein MS279 c1430)

Take fayre flowre & the whyte of Eyroun & the yolke, a lytel. Than take Warme Berme & putte al thes togederys with thin hand tyl it be schort & thikke ynow & caste sugre ther-to & thenne lat reste a whyle. An kaste in a fayre place in the oven & late bake y-now.

I have left this unredacted for any who wish to try their own version. If you do so please share your experience (or better yet bring a sample). Hint: Berme= barm (the stuff on the top of beer while it is fermenting). This appears to fulfill the role of both yeast and liquid in the recipe. Possible ways to get this flavor include:

- 1) brew your own beer and use the barm
- 2) use unpasteurized beer that contains live yeast
- 3) use pasteurized beer as liquid plus add yeast

Ealasaïd

## Poor Man's Pennsic

### Volunteers are still Needed!

**Heavy Weapons** *Marshal in Charge: Lord Robert the Mace*

**Any marshals willing to assist this day please see the MiC, it is greatly appreciated.**

**Friday:**

Noon till 5 p.m. - Pickup fights

**Saturday:**

9 a.m. - 11 am Authorizations

(Please email mase@charter.net if interested in authorizing)

"Luck of the Draw Tourney"

11 am - goes till we have a winner.

**Break for lunch after tourney**

If marshal is present there can be pick up fighting.

"Cross my Bridge will you?"

2 p.m. - starts off the melee tourney. Resurrection battle.

**Light Weapons** *Lords Vincent Palmer & Cosimo de Cellini*

**Saturday**

10-11am Authorizations

11-1pm Pieces o' Eight Tourney

1:30-2pm Shire Championship

Lord Alessandro vs. Lord Vincent Palmer

2-5pm Open Fighting

**Archery (Saturday only)**

8-9 am Warm-up/Open Range

10-11am Wand Shoot or Bulls-Eye Shoot

12-1pm Lunch/Open Range

1-3pm Naughts and Crosses

3-5pm Archer's Duel or Ground Bottles Shoot

**Silent Auction:** *Lady Keara A&S Tent Saturday 10-3*

**Fashion Show:** *Mistress Ealasaid Saturday noon (line-up 11:30)*

**Classes:** see webpage for updates

**CALENDAR****August 2008**

- 1-3 Poor Man's Pennsic [Falcon's Keep-Arpin WI]
- 16-18 BYOM VI [Vilku Urvas-Deer River MN]
- 15-17 St Radegund's Faire [Rivenwood Tower-Mankato MN]
- 22-23 Griffin's Needle Challenge [Jararvellir-Jefferson WI]
- 23 Day of Fencing [Silfren Mere-Rochester WI]
- 23 Central Regional Fighter Practice [Inner Sea-Superior, WI]
- 29-31 Autumn Rose [Rokecliff-Galesville WI]
- 29-1 Village Fair [Castel Rouge-Gimli WI]
- 29-1 Revel in the Vale [Schattentor-SD]

**September 2008**

- 5-7 Seige the Day [Shattered Oak-Hixton, WI]
- 5-7 Revel by the Lake [Mistig Waetru-Barag, WI]
- 13 Coronation [Orlovia Dolina-Bemidji MN]
- 18-21 Cecil's Siege [Svaty Sebesta-Vermillion, SD]
- 26-28 Rose Tourney [Nordskogen-Clarks Grove, MN]
- 27 Peasants Revolt [Rudivale-Arvilla ND]

**October 2008**

- 3-4 Art-ic Madness [Tor Aerie, Minneaopolis, MN]
- 11 Crown tournament [Midwinde-Minot ND]
- 18 Creating the Creative SCA101 [Nordskogen-Andover MN]
- 25 Masquerade III [Dreibruken-Bismark ND]

**November 2008**

- 1 Heraldic & Scribal Symposium [Coldedernehale, Pierre, SD]
- 7-9 Knowm World Academy of Rapier [Midrealm]
- 8 Clothiers Seminar North [Nordskogen-Coon Rapids MN]
- 8 Rhythm and Bruise [Korsvag-Moorhead MN]

**December 2008**

- 13 Boars Head [Caer Anterth Mawr-West Band WI]

**January 2008**

- 31 It's Only a Flesh Wound [Jararvellir-Jefferson WI]

**Rapier practice is following a summer rotation including: the homes of Lord Alessandro in Rothschild , THL Alex in Stratford (they have moved) and Asli in Rapids. Please watch for email from Lord Vincent.**

## **August Moot**

**Sunday August 10th, 2008**

**meeting 1pm, potluck to follow**

**at North Wood County Park**

**You may want to bring lawn chairs, etc.**

**From the West:** Find your best route to Hwy. 94, south. Take the Osseo Hwy. 10 exit east. Follow Hwy. 10 east till just outside of Marshfield where you will come to County Trunk A. Turn South on County Trunk A and continue south for about 5 miles till you see the sign for the park on the right, go past on the curve to the second entrance, with the SCA sign. Please enter there.

**From the East:** Find your best route to Hwy 51/39 and take the Hwy.10 exit west. Continue on Hwy. 10 through Auburndale and watch for the junction with Cty. Trunk A. Turn South or left on Cty. Trunk A and watch for the signs for the park on your right about 5 miles south. Go around the curve to the second entrance with the SCA sign, Please enter there.

**From the North:** find your best route to Hwy 51/39 or Hwy 13 South and follow them to south to Hwy 10 exit, then see above.

**From the South:** find your best route to Hwy 80 and take it north to Pittsville. Continue through Pittsville and at the junction of Hwy 80 and Hwy 13 go straight onto Cty Trunk A take Cty Trunk A north about 5 miles to the entrance with the SCA sign on the left side of the road. Please enter there.

### **Web pages of interest:**

[www.sca.org](http://www.sca.org)

[www.northshield.org](http://www.northshield.org)

[www.falconskeep.org](http://www.falconskeep.org)

[www.uwsp.edu/stuorg/falcon/index.htm](http://www.uwsp.edu/stuorg/falcon/index.htm)

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