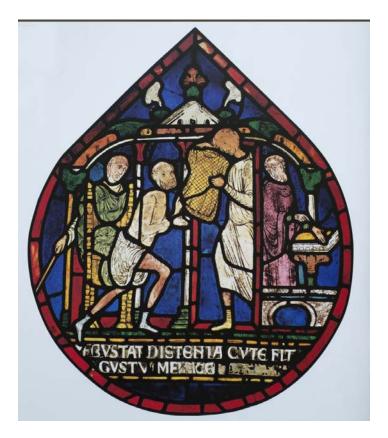
# THE VIGILANCE JULY - AUGUST A.S. XLVII – 2013 C.E.



Stained glass from Canterbury Cathedral: the Cure of Godwin, a leper from Boxgrove Priory.

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# SHIRE NEWS

**Apologies** for the lateness of this issue. I wasted a lot of time in June and July trying to recover our web domain name after our hosting company unexpectedly went out of business. My thanks to Master Alexandair O' Conchobchair for his invaluable assistance. See the article within for the complete story.

**Congratulations** to Master Antonio de Luna on receiving his longoverdue Pelican at War Practice! Vivat! **Happy Birthday** to Master Antonio who will be celebrating on Aug 4th.

**Happy Birthday** to Karen Gaworecki (nee Waterman) who will be celebrating on July 13th with her new husband, George Gaworecki, whom she married on June 1st. Vivat!

**Happy Birthday** to Lord Jacob of Dunmoore who will be celebrating on August 9<sup>th</sup>.

**Happy Birthday** to Lord Ian Ashbaugh who will be celebrating on August 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Congratulations** to Heronter, we won the bid for AEthelmearc Twelfth Night. The event will be held on January 11th, 2014 at our regular meeting site. Watch the newsletter and website for more details.

**It's July!** Officer elections are coming up! Resumes are wanted for the following posts: Exchequer, Herald, Knight Marshal, A&S Officer, Minister of the Lists, Chatelaine/Castellan, Webmaster

**Best Wishes** for a speedy recovery to Lord Ikyoto of Rhydderich Hael who recently underwent surgery to remove a brain tumor. His friends are holding "Brain Bash 2013" as a fundraiser to help Paul and Trish with their medical bills. For more information, see *http://brainbash2013.webs.com/* 

**The Olcott Pirate Festival** is the weekend of July 12-14th. There will NOT be an SCA demo at the festival, you are welcome to attend as a mundane and still wear pirate garb.

**Pennsic War** is a week early this year. It will be held from July 19th (Land Grab) to August 2nd. See *http://www.pennsicwp.org* for more details

**The Jamestown Scandinavian Folk Festival** will be occurring at the same time as Pennsic, July 19-21. Because of this, there will NOT be an SCA demo this year. For more details about the festival, see: *http://www.scandinavianjamestown.org/3scand.htm* 

**The Buffalo Niagara Heritage Village**, formerly known as the Amherst Museum, will be hosting their annual **Scottish Festival** on August 17th. I have not heard anything about the Hael doing a demo this year. (The blacksmith club I'm a member of has also been invited, so I'll be there anyway.) For more details on the festival, see *http://www.bnhv.org/events/scottish-festival* 

I have heard no word on the **Youngsville PA Corn Festival**. The website at: *http://www.youngsvillepa.org/festival* is seriously out-of-date. If it is being held, Aug 16-18 is the most probable date. No word of an SCA demo there like in years past.

Cover Art: This month's cover is a stained glass window from Canterbury Cathedral depicting the cure of Godwin, a leper from Boxgrove Priory. This year's International Medieval Congress, held July 1-4 2013 in Leeds England, included a number of sessions relating to medieval stained glass. For more information on the Congress, see: http://vidimus.org/blogs/news/international-medieval-congressleeds/

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#### Pax Interruptus Hosted by Barony of Thescorre July 5-7, 2013

Pax Interruptus XXXVII As the sun returns to the skies and the warm winds blow, once again the Barony of Thescorre invites one and all to Pax Interruptus, July 5, 6,7 2013 at Genesee Country Campground, 40 Flint Hill Road, Caledonia, NY 14423. The site opens at 3pm on Friday and closes at 1pm on Sunday. We will start the weekend with a torch light heavy tournament Friday evening sponsored by Duke Khalek. Saturday there will be Youth Fighting; Heavy melees including combat archery; Fencing; Archery; and Thrown Weapons. This year we invite Siege Weapons to take to the field to show off their skill and range. A detailed schedule and other additional information will be available on the Thescorre web page at

http://www.thescorre.org/calendar/events/pax/pax2013.htm. Pax is on Their Majesties Maynard and Liadain's Pilgrimage. Come explore the history of the 2nd oldest Barony in the Kingdom and receive your pilgrimage card. Merchants are welcome at no additional charge but must supply their own setup. This year we will be providing a lunch for a fee. Pre-registration for the lunch is required. There is no feast. Friday and Saturday night tent camping is available. RV camping with hookups is available and the campground has a limited number of cabins available, both for a separate fee and you must reserve with the campground. http://www.geneseecountrycampground.com/ or 585-538-4200. The site has a camp store for some groceries, ice and wood, as well as flush toilets and showers. The site is discreetly damp. The field and camping area do not have water so plan to bring some. Campfires are permitted within the existing fire rings only. Dogs are permitted on leash with proof of license and vaccinations which must be presented when you check in, and must be cleaned up after please! Campers will be required to carry trash to the dumpster near the camp store as they leave. Bins for recycling will be available. Day visitors are encouraged to bring pavilions for shade. Costs for the event are Site fee \$5 per adult, \$3 for Children ages 6 to 17. Children 5 and under free. Camping for Adults \$5 per night. Camping for Children \$2 per night. An additional nonmember surcharge of \$5 for those without proof of membership will be collected by the tollner when you check in. Lunch is available for \$4 per person; pre-registration is required for the lunch. Lady Elzbieta Traidenyte is preparing a delicious "picnic" lunch for all interested. The menu includes your choice of 2 of 3 different pies, bread, cheese, fruit, pickles, and a sweet. Detailed menu items will be forthcoming! Questions should be directed to the Autocrat: Baroness Orianna Fridrikskona (Orilee Ireland-Delfs, 731 South Main Street, Newark, NY 14513; 315-573-6326 (cell); Orianna@thescorre.org ). Reservations should be sent to Baron Fridrikr Tomasson (Tom Ireland-Delfs, 731 South Main St., Newark, NY 14513, 315-573-8517 (cell), email: Fridrikr@thescorre.org). Make checks payable to SCA NY Inc., Barony of Thescorre.

**Directions:** From Rochester: Take I-490 West to Exit 1, LeRoy, then follow the signs to Rt. 19 South to LeRoy. Approximately 4.5 miles, turn left onto Rt. 5 East at the light in LeRoy. Go east on Rt. 5 about 4.1 miles and watch for the sign for the Lime Rock Speedway and Genesee Country Campground on the left. Turn left onto Flint Hill Road. See \*below.

**Directions:** From the East, West, or South, take your best route to the New York State Thruway and exit 47, Rochester/LeRoy. After the toll booths, take I-490 East toward Rochester and exit at Exit 1 (your first exit off 490). Follow the signs to Rt. 19 South to LeRoy. Approximately 4.5 miles, turn left onto Rt. 5 East at the light in LeRoy. Go east on Rt. 5 about 4.1 miles and watch for the sign for the Lime Rock Speedway and Genesee Country Campground on the left. Turn left onto Flint Hill Road. See \*below. \*Approximately .5 miles on the left will be the campground. Go past the main campground entrance and turn into the entrance marked with the SCA sign. Follow the markers to the Tollner. If you will be arriving after 9pm Friday night, please contact the Autocrat in advance so we can provide additional instructions.

For more info: http://www.thescorre.org

### Hear Ye, Hear Ye!

Let it be known that a great festival of Pirates will be held at fort Evangola this coming 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> of July starting at 11am. For these 2 days a gathering of all sorts of seafaring men, women and children will come together to celebrate the discovery of a great treasure. All who attend will share the wealth as the pirate code demands. Food, Drink and entertainment will be provided to ensure that a good time will be had by all.

To ensure the success of this Pirate Festival, volunteers are needed to fill a number of stations. Opportunities can be found selling pirate wares at the Thieves Market or manning Games of Adventure in the Pirate Camp. A school of pirating will be held to pass on the ways of a proper pirate. Actors and swordsmen are needed provide action during the Treasure Hunt and to add color to the activities throughout the Festival. We always need help setting up and breaking down the pirate camp.

Free parking and overnight camping are available for Pirate Fest volunteers. Prepare your pirate garb and gather your effects. We will see you there!

More information regarding the Evangola State Park Pirate Festival can be found at <u>www.EvangolaPirateFest.com</u> or check out Pirate Fest on Facebook. Please contact me if you are interested in joining the crew reply to this email and I will send you as much info as I can.

Also we will be setting up the day before the festival at 7pm Friday for anyone willing to lend a hand.

Good Plundering,

Captain Jake the Sea-snake

#### Summer Oxhide & Bardic Hoot! Hosted by Barony of Thescorre August 24, 2013

Calling All Bards, Skalds, and Musicians! Pennsic ended too soon! More MUSIC! Come to the Barony of Thescorre for the Summer Oxhide & Bardic Hoot! On August 24th, we will hold an afternoon with a Bardic Picnic, and Oxhide for Challenges, and other Bardic Hoots! The event is at Pond View Shelter, Pond View Road, Mendon NY, 14506. (There is no street number) The event opens at 10 AM & closes at 5 PM.

The autocrat is Fridrikr Tomasson (Tom Delfs - 315-331-3788; fridrikr@thescorre.org). The tollner and Pie Coordinator is Orianna Fridrikskona (Orilee Ireland-Delfs - 315-331-3788; orianna@thescorre.org).

The fee for the event is \$10, \$5 for those 5-17; free for those under 5. Make checks payable to "SCA, NY, Inc. - Barony of Thescorre." The NMS fee will be enforced.

The site is damp and is a "carry in-carry out" site.

The lunch will be pot-luck, with a Pie Theme - bring a dish to pass and your favorite pie to share with you friends. Contact Orianna to coordinate pies!

Directions: Take your best route to Exit 46 off I-90. At I-90, exit 46, take I-390 North and immediately exit for Lehigh Station Road (Route 253). Turn right onto Lehigh Station Road and go 4.3 miles to Clover Street (Route 65). Turn right onto Clover Street and drive 1.9 miles to Hopkins Point Road (Mendon Ponds Park). Turn left onto Hopkins Point Road and drive .6 miles to Pond View Road. Proceed on Pond View Road to the shelter. Look for Shield Signs!

#### Summer's End Hosted by Canton of Beau Fleuve September 14, 2013

The Canton of Beau Fleuve invites you to our end of summer celebration. The event site is our traditional site of St. ohn De LaSalle, 8477 Buffalo Ave, Niagara Falls, NY 14304. The site opens at 9 AM and closes at 10 PM on September 14th. The autocrat is THL Govindi. Her contact info is 84 Sweeny St. Apt 207, North Tonawanda, NY 14120, attractedbyshinyobects@yahoo.com and (716)984-5782. For more info: http://beaufleuve.aethelmearc.org/

#### Harvest Raid Hosted by Shire of Heronter September 27, 2013

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 the favorite glow stick thrown weapons tourney, and a Saturday full of martial activities. Details will be announced as they are firmed up, but we have lots of time this year, and some special things being planned. The Emerald Lake Puppet Theatre will be returning for another performance. A silent auction is planned for Saturday.

We will continue our tradition of food all day Saturday. Breakfast will be provided by Lord Almeric von Risteau, and the lunch sideboard will be by Baroness Marguerite Eisenwald. The traditional Heronter Feast will be Saturday evening, and our head cook will be Lady Margaret of Enniscorthy. In addition, Baroness Marguerite will again be providing a "children's feast." For those young ones who do not care for period food served late in the day at a formal table, there will be a special feast of simple, modern items. This will be at no cost, but will be by reservation only. For feast questions and dietary concerns, please contact us at HeadCook@heronter.info

Reservations should be sent to the event steward, Duchess Dorinda Courtenay c/o Dorinda Courtine-White at 47 Chestnut St. Jamestown, NY 14701, Reservations@heronter.info or EventSteward@heronter.info Phone - (716)664-5487 (before 10 pm please), and must be received by September 20th to ensure a seat at feast. Please make checks payable to SCA NY, Inc - Shire of Heronter.

#### Fees for this year are as follows:

Site Fee: \$10.00 Adults, 0-17 Free! Feast Fee: \$8.00 Adults, (13-17 Full Price) (5-12 Half) (0-4 Free but must reserve to have a chair.) Children's Feast: no cost, but must reserve Cabin Fee: \$6.00 Adults (Weekend), \$3.00 17 & under Tent Fee: \$1.00 Adults (Weekend) Per Society: a \$5 non-member surcharge will be collected at the

event from any adults without proof of current membership.

## **Directions:**

**From the West, South and East:** Take your best route to I-86 (former Route 17). Take Exit 10 (Westfield/Mayville) to get to Route 430 West. (From the West it is marked only as Route 430 West. Do not take exit 9 to Bemus Point). Follow the signs for Route 430 West towards Westfield and Mayville. From the exit, it will be several miles to the site (3 or 4 miles depending on where you start counting). You will pass Long Point Park and Midway Park before seeing the Lutheran Camp on your left. The camp is at the top of a long hill next to a huge tree.

**From the North:** Take your best Route to I-90. Exit at the Westfield exit (#60) and take Route 394 to Mayville. Pick up Route 430 East and follow to the site. The site will be on your right and will be marked as above.

#### Æthelmearc Fall Crown Tournament Hosted by Barony of Rhydderich Hael October 12, 2013

The Royal line of Æthelmearc is in danger! The True Heirs must be found! The Barony of the Rhydderich Hael is pleased to invite the Known World to Æthelmearc's Fall Crown Tournament to be held on Saturday, October 12, 2013 at the Asbury United Methodist Church (850 Dodge Road, Getzville, NY 14228). The site opens at 9am and anyone still onsite at 8pm will be conscripted into the clean-up crew. This is a DRY site. No alcohol is permitted on the church property. Assistance animals only are allowed inside the building. However, leashed dogs are permitted on the field, but please clean up after your animal. There will be an all-day sideboard included in the site fee, and will be prepared by Lady Zofia Kowalewska (Melissa Hannon) and THL Filipo de Santo Martino (Phil Martino). Dietary concerns should be directed to Lady Zofia at melblackrose@gmail.com or 716-867-5550, no calls after 9pm. The site fees for this event are as follows: Adults: \$10, Children ages 6-17, \$5 Children 5 and under Free. There will be a family cap of \$30. Reservations can be sent to Lord Riobard o'Suilleabhain c/o Robert Bajak, 28 West Hill Street, Gowanda, NY 14070. Email: goofybob58@yahoo.com Phone: 716-805-8313 no calls after 9pm. Checks should be made out to: SCA Inc. NY, Barony of the Rhydderich Hael. A non-member surcharge of \$5 will be collected at the door from all adults who cannot provide current proof of membership. Day shades spots will be available on a reservation basis, with priority going to combatants and consorts. Please contact Maestro Augusto Giuseppe da San Donato at bladenjoe@roadrunner.com to reserve a place. The autocrat for the event is Baroness Ekaterina Volkova (Tina Telesco) address: 54 Rumson Road, Amherst, NY 14228 email: baronessekat@gmail.com phone: 716-907-0946 (no calls after 8 pm and please leave a message) assisted by Mistress Jenna MacPherson of Lion's Tower (Carole Goranson) address: 36 Maner Drive, Amherst, NY 14228 email: aelorax@roadrunner.com phone: 716-551-0722 (please leave a message.) Directions:

**DIRECTIONS:** From the East: Take 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 RT-263 N/Millersport Hwy via EXIT 5B.Turn left onto Dodge Rd. 850 Dodge Road is on the right. From the West: Take I-90 E toward Buffalo. Merge onto I-290 W/Youngman Expwy via EXIT 50 toward Niagara Falls. Merge onto RT-263 N/Millersport Hwy via EXIT 5B. Turn left onto Dodge Rd. 850 DODGE RD is on the right. The site also mapquests quite well.

For more info: *http://www.wnysca.org/phpwcms/index.php?id=104,0,0,1,0,0* 

#### Queens Rapier Championship (QRC) Hosted by Barony of Endless Hills October 26, 2013

To all Lords and Ladies of the Kingdom of Athelmarc, polish your swords, make your dagger shine, and dust off your buckler. Their excellences, Baron Gunnarr, and Baroness Barbary Rose wish to extend to you a welcome of invite to the hills with no end, to fight for the Queen in her Rapier Champion bout. Following the battles, there will be a feast fit to serve a queen, children's activities, arts and sciences, singing, dancing, and whatever else the day may bring. The date is set for October 26, 2013. More information will be updated as we receive it.

#### Website of the Month

vidimus.org -- An online magazine devoted to medieval stained glass. From their website: "We hope to encourage interest in medieval and later stained glass, and to promote the work of the CVMA(GB), the national survey of medieval stained glass. A vidimus ('we have seen') was the approved design for a window in medieval times."

#### What Happened to our Website by Dagonell, Webmaster

I'd like to offer my apologies for the website being down for the entire month of June and most of July. I'd like to explain what happened, but first I have to get a little technical.

Any computer device connected to the internet has a unique identifier. This is called an IP address. It's actually a binary number (all 1's and 0's) but it's usually displayed in human readable notation. A single 1 or 0 is a bit, you need eight bits to get enough combinations to assign a unique one to each number or letter or character, so eight bits is a byte or one alphanumerical character. The server that hosts Heronter's webpage is named 72.29.74.23 (Try loading 72.29.74.23 /~heronter into your address bar, you'll be sent to our home page.) Each of these numbers is between 0 and 255 because that's the number range you can produce with 8 bits or 1 byte.

Having to remember and correctly type in all those numbers can be difficult, so the Domain Name System (DNS) was created. It's sort of like a phone book for the internet. People can choose names for their computer and the DNS attaches that name to the IP address. Chosen names have to be registered thru a registrar service which verifies that someone else doesn't already have the name you want and then registers it so that no one else can take it.

Our website was first set up by Jake Botticello, Lord Ivhon Thorne of Sunrose, Heronter's first webmaster. He registered everything thru Nexpoint. Nexpoint had been in business for three years at this point. Shortly afterward, Jake moved to Florida and I became Heronter's second webmaster. Several years later, there was an incident on the West Coast involving an SCA website, I don't know the details. From that point onward, the society created its own web server called scaserver.com which then offered free accounts to all SCA groups. I moved the website onto their server and had the domain name redirected to point to the scaserver.com. I also automated the registration process for the domain name. Each year, one month prior to the end of the registration period, I would get an e-mail telling me that my credit card would be tapped the following month to re-register our domain name. I would forward the e-mail to the shire's exchequer, who would send me a check to re-imburse me for the credit card transaction. Everything was fine for years.

Flash forward to the Summer of 2013. Without warning, Nexpoint went out of business overnight with no explanation. All domain names that had been registered thru Nexpoint were re-registered as belonging to the Nexpoint's owner who was not answering emails or phone messages. Imagine driving down the street and a cop pulls you over and tells you the DMV has moved away and you're not registered even though your sticker says you have two more months.

Our website was on scaserver.com. Our physical files were safe. People who still used Nexpoint to host their entire website lost everything. We only lost our domain name, the internet phone book entry. With the assistance of a tech friend of our seneschal, I learned that Nexpoint had been registering domain names through tucows.com. When I contacted tucows.com, they said they could take the domain name away from Nexpoint and register it to me, after I set up an account with them. When I tried to set up an account with them, I found myself dealing with mydomain-inc.com who apparently handles all domain names for tucows.com. After setting up an account with them, they informed me that snapnames.com had swooped in to grab the lowhanging fruit and registered the name to themselves. I could pay them \$35 to re-register the name to myself, or pay \$65 in court costs. Snapnames had also registered heronter.net and heronter.com to themselves as well.

With the invaluable assistance of Master Alexandair O' Conchobchair, who runs scaserver.com, we registered heronter.info for the shire and directed that domain name to our files on scaserver.com. We are now back up and running. Do NOT go to *www.heronter.org*, it now points to a mal-ware infected site. Snapnames only registered the domain name for a short period of time. I intend to wait them out. When they fail to renew it, I'll re-register it for us. Again, I apologize for all of this, it has been far more frustrating for me than it has been for you.

Calendar of Events (contains non-SCA events of interest)

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June 20 July 14 Hamlet
http://www.http://shakespeareindelawarepark.org
1 Canada Independence Day
4 American Independence Day
5-7 Pax Interruptus (Barony of Thescorre)
http://aethelmearc.org/eventinfo.php?event=807
5-7 Great Blue Heron Festival
http://http://www.greatblueheron.com/
12-14 Pirate Festival (Olcott NY)
12-14 Taste of Buffalo (Buffalo NY)
http://www.tasteofbuffalo.com

18-21 Polish Festival (Cheektowaga Town Park)

- 19-21 Scandinavian Folk Festival http://www.scandinavianjamestown.org/3scand.htm
- 19-Aug 2 Pennsic War http://www.pennsicwp.org
- 22-28 Chautauqua County (NY) Fair http://www.chautauquacountyfair.net/
- 25- Aug 18 Measure for Measure http://www.shakespeareindelawarepark.org/
- 27-28 Evangola Pirate Festival www.EvangolaPirateFest.com
- 29 -- Aug 4 Cattaraugus County (NY) Fair http://http://www.cattarauguscofair.com/

AUGUST

- 22- Sept 2 New York State Fair http://www.nysfair.org/
- 23-25 Buffalo Irish Festival (Buffalo NY) http://www.buffaloirish.com/irishfestival.htm
- 24 Summer Oxhide (Barony of Thescorre) http://aethelmearc.org/eventinfo.php?event=838

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- 14 Summer's End (Barony of Rhydderich Hael) http://aethelmearc.org/eventinfo.php?event=837
- 27-29 Harvest Raid (Shire of Heronter) <u>http://aethelmearc.org/eventinfo.php?event=867</u>

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