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<u>Village Scene with Dance around the May Pole</u> Pieter Bruegel the Younger (1634) Tiroler Landesmuseum in Innsbruck, Switzerland.

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### **SHIRE NEWS**

The cover illustration is <u>Village Scene with Dance around the May Pole</u> by Pieter Bruegel the Younger painted in 1634 at the age of 70. The original resides in the Tiroler Landesmuseum in Innsbruck Switzerland.

**Deepest Condolences** to family of *Baroness Etta von*Felsenstrand who passed away in early March. She was the wife of *Baron Wulfgar of Northumbria* and the first Baron and Baroness couple of the Rhydderich Hael succeeding Founding Baroness Morgan Argante Elandris

"Their Majesties invited *Duke Marcus Eisenwald* to attend Them and inducted him into the **Order of the Keystone** for his service as marshal, hosting and running tournaments, serving at feasts, and making tournament prizes. Scroll scrivened by Countess Liadain ni Dheirdre Chaomhaniagh, limned by Lady Renata l'Rouge" Court Report for Ice Dragon (3/24/12)

"Duchess Dorinda Courtenay was awarded the Golden Thorn for her selfless service to the defense of the crown, not only had she stepped in to serve as Rapier Warlord, teaching and conducting warm up sessions on the field, but she had also defended His Majesties person from vicious cougar attacks."

Court Report for Gulf Wars (3/15/12)

Congratulations to *Master Charles le Serene*, *Lady Lidia d'Algarve* and *Lord Ian Kennoven the Giant* for a successful demo at the April meeting of the Women's Club of Warren. The newspaper article can be seen at 
<a href="http://www.timesobserver.com/page/content.detail/id/557130/Woman-s-Club-hears-SCA-program.html">http://www.timesobserver.com/page/content.detail/id/557130/Woman-s-Club-hears-SCA-program.html</a> and will be copied to the shire's online Library shortly.

Good news! I've been working closely with the new Royal Historian, *THLady Hrefna Ulfvarinnsdottir*. At Ice Dragon, I gave her the entire Vigilance archive. *Lady Rowena of Coppertree* 

will be scanning them in. In a few short months, our ENTIRE archive will be available online! -- Dagonell, Vigilance editor



Lord Ian the Giant, Master Charles and Lady Lidia at the April meeting of the Women's Club of Warren

### From the Seneschal:

The SCA has been invited back once again to do the **Viking Village** at the **Jamestown Scandinavian Festival** and the dates this year are July 20, 21 and 22.

(<a href="http://www.scandinavianjamestown.org/3scand.htm">http://www.scandinavianjamestown.org/3scand.htm</a>)

I would love to see a strong showing this year so I am getting the ball rolling a little earlier. Please consider donating your time for this demo.I plan to do garb workshops in the coming months in order to help folks who don't normally do Viking personas get dressed up for it.

We have been asked by the **Boy Scouts** to do a demo later this summer. It would be August 17 - 19 at **Camp Elk Lick** in Smethport, PA. I will be speaking with the director, but my understanding is that they would like fighting, costuming, camp cooking, heraldic displays and perhaps some 'hands on'

demonstrations for upwards of 1000 participants. Their hope is that we can do an encampment for the weekend. Are we willing and able to provide the support for this? I am working with the Shire of Blackwater as well for additional resources and would be quite willing to invite other groups as well.

I have an additional couple of items to bring to everyone's attention. Firstly, I am formally requesting bids for **Harvest Raid!** The dates we have reserved for the camp are September 28 - 30th.. These bids can be submitted to me or uploaded directly to the files section of the **Heronter Business Yahoo Groups** page. They are due June 14th so that they can be reviewed and voted upon on June 28th.. Please include an event announcement to be submitted to Kingdom for the newsletter. Feel free to contact me should you be interested in running this event and/or if you have any questions.

Secondly, it is time for me to request Letters of Intent for the **June elections**. The following offices are up for election: Exchequer, Knight's Marshal, Herald, Minister of Arts and Sciences, Mistress of Lists and Web Minister. Please have your letters along with proof of membership in to me by June 14th. Elections are to be held on June 28<sup>th</sup>. -- THL Antonio de Luna, Seneschal

The Youngsville Corn Festival has asked us to do a demo at their festival again this year. The festival is scheduled for Aug 17-19 (<a href="http://www.youngsvillepa.org/festival/CornFest.html">http://www.youngsvillepa.org/festival/CornFest.html</a>) which would make it the weekend after Pennsic. If you're interested, contact *Ian Ashbaugh* at iashbaugh@westpa.net

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Recipe of the Month: Savory Toasted Cheese Redaction by THF Dagonell Collingwood

From: The Closet of the Eminently Learned Sir Kenelme Digbie Opened (1669)

SAVOURY TOSTED OR MELTED CHEESE (p. 228)

"Cut pieces of quick, fat, rich, well tasted cheese, (as the best of Brye, Cheshire, &c. or sharp thick Cream-cheese) into a dish of thick beaten melted Butter, that hath served for Sparages or the like, or pease, or other boiled Sallet, or ragout of meat, or gravy of Mutton: and, if you will, Chop some of the Asparages amoung it, or slices of Gambon of Bacon, or fresh-collops, or Onions, or Sibboulets, or Anchovis, and set all this to melt upon a Chafingdish of Coals, and stir all well together, to Incorporate them; and when all is of equal consistence, strew some gross White-Pepper on it, and eat it with tosts or crusts of White bread. You may scorch it at the top with a hot Fire-Shovel."

#### Savory Toasted Cheese

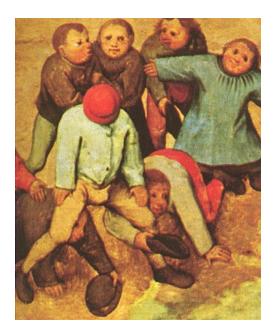
- 8 oz. Brie cheese
- 8 oz. cream cheese
- 8 oz. butter, softened
- 1 large onion, diced
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 10 strips of bacon

Fry onion in olive oil until golden brown and set aside. Fry bacon until crispy and drain on a paper towel. Preheat oven to 350\*. Combine brie cheese, cream cheese and butter in a medium sized bowl and mash until thoroughly blended. Add diced onion and crumble in bacon pieces and stir everything together. Bake for twenty minutes, or until the top turns a golden brown.

We made a double batch for Heronter's Twelfth Night. It may be used as a sauce over pasta or vegetables, as a dip with fondue bread, or served as is with an angioplasty on the side. :D

## Game of the Month: Cockstride by THF Dagonell the Juggler

The illustration is a detail from Brueghel's painting, "Children's Games", done in 1560. The rules below are taken from <u>Traditional Games of England, Scotland and Ireland</u> by Alice Gomme.



From Gomme: "One boy is chosen as Cock. He is blindfolded, and stands alone, with his legs as far apart as possible. The other boys then throw their caps as far as they are able between the extended legs of the Cock. After the boys have thrown their caps, and each boy has taken his stand beside his cap, the Cock still blindfolded, stoops down and crawls in search of the caps. The boy whose cap he first finds has to run about twenty yards under the buffeting of the other boys, the blows being directed chiefly to the head. He becomes Cock at the next turn of the game."

### **Bibliography**

Gomme, Alice - Traditional Games of England, Scotland and Ireland (London, Thames and Hudson, 1894, 2 vol. ISBN 0-500-27316-2)

Portman, Paul - Pieter Brueghel's Children's Games (Berne, Hallwag, 1964)



### **Spring Crown Tournament**

Barony of Delftwood May 5, 2012 Oneida Shores Arrowhead Lodge



Attend all and journey to the fair lands of Delftwood to attend the great Spring Tournament to determine the rightful heirs to the glorious Sylvan Kingdom of AEthelmearc! This grand competition will take place on May 5, 2012 at Oneida Shores Arrowhead Lodge (9248 McKinley Ridge Road, Brewerton, NY 13029). The site will open at 9 AM and close promptly at 7 PM. This is a discreetly damp site, so you may toast the combatants, the Sylvan Heirs, their Majesties, and the glory of AEthelmearc.

Autocrats for the event are Desiderata Drake (Jennifer Drake), 5313 Albury Ct, Liverpool, NY 13090, 315-935-4216 and Lady Helene alZarqa' (Elizabeth Dunn) 117 Ruth Ave, Syracuse, NY 13210, 315-440-6033. No calls after 10 PM, please.

A delightful dayboard will be provided to all comers. Dietary concerns should be addressed to Head Cook, Lady Eadaoin ingen Chanacain (Keirin Lazauskas-Ralff), 5562 Bear Rd., Apt D4, North Syracuse, NY 13212.

If you wish a pavilion or day shade near the tourney field, please give dimensions to Lady Helene al-Zarqa'. Field-side preference will be given to combatants and their consorts.

Event fees (including dayboard) are as follows: \$12 for adults, \$6 for children 6-14, free for children 5 and under, with a \$35 family cap. There is a \$5 non-member fee. Please make your check payable to "SCA NY - Barony of Delftwood" and mail to: Barony of Delftwood, PO Box 6694, Syracuse, NY 13217

**Directions From all points:** Take your best route to Interstate 81, Exit 31 (Brewerton). Turn left onto Bartel Road and travel 1.7 miles until the road ends. Turn left onto Ladd Road and travel 0.1 miles. Turn right onto Park Drive into Oneida Shores. Follow Park Road and turn left onto Oneida Shores Park Road. The parking lot will be on your left and the lodge will be on your right.



## WAR PRACTICE XXIII May 17-20, Canton of Steltonwald (Slippery Rock, PA)

The Canton of Steltonwald would like to invite all to join us for War Practice XXIII, at Cooper's Lake Campground, 205 Currie Road, Slippery Rock, and PA 16057. The event will run from noon on Thursday May17, 2012 through Sunday May 20 at 3:00 PM. Troll will close on Saturday at 3:00 PM. All participants must be registered before that time or access to the site will not be granted.

The weekend will include many types of marshal activities, including Heavy Weapons, Combat Archery, Fencing Thrown Weapons, Archery and Youth fighting. Among the peaceful pursuits we will include Classes, Meetings, Shopping and More.

All merchants must register with the Merchant Liaison Alessandra d'Avignon at kardasl@pitt.edu . (As per Cooper's Insurance, all merchants must have insurance to participate at the event). All A&S and class room needs should be scheduled with Countess Aidan ni Leir (Helen Pinto) at helen.pinto@comcast.net or 724-203-4014.

The Autocrat for this event is Lord Bovi farmaor (Dave Black) 316 16th St. Beaver Falls, PA 15010 david\_black42@yahoo.com, 727-312-9364. There is no pre-reservation for this event. Site specific waivers and more information will be available at the website http://warpractice.steltonwald.org.



# BRASS RING THING XII (aka Carrousel Museum demo) The Canton of Beau Fleuve and the Barony of the Rhydderich Hael Saturday, June 2, 2012



Once again, good gentles, do we invite all that is good and great from these Sylvan Lands to celebrate the medieval origins of the carousel and to give aid to the good gentles of the Herschell Carousel Museum!

As always, this is a FREE event to all SCAdians who attend in garb and troll in. The day will be full of entertainment, pageantry, arts, games, food and tournaments in Heavy Weapons, Archery, Thrown Weapons and Fencing.

It is a day of grand Tournaments. Fighters, fencers, archers and throwers, come prepared to show your skill and be cheered on by the crowd!

It is a day of grand Art. We will again be hosting the Artisans' Tents and we invite one and all to come and share their skills. Work on projects, demonstrate your skills, display your art and visit with fellow artisans.

It is a day of grand Entertainment. Musicians, Gamers, Dancers, Singers, Thespians, Jesters, Drummers, Jugglers and more are invited to share their talents. We encourage all who enjoy performing to come and celebrate the day!

It is a day of Knowledge. Please come and display your collections, books, games or those items of which you are most proud. You will have the chance to talk about what you love most about the Middle Ages and share your knowledge with others.

It is a day to show who we are. We ask that you bring your good spirit, pageantry and good will. There is room for banners, so please show your personal and group devices proudly. This is a day to display all that is good in the SCA to the general public. It is a chance to share our hobby and invite new people to try our activities. The Brass Ring Thing is an opportunity to share the joy of our events with those that know little about us.

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# Liars, Braggarts & Thieves Canton of Westland Mor June 2, 2012



Have you ever been called a deluder, equivocator, fabler, fabricator of tales, fibber or trickster? Surely there are those among us who've been labeled a bag of wind, blatherskite, boaster, gasbag, know-it-all or hotshot? What about a bandit, kleptomaniac, pilferer, porch climber, spider or swindler? Nary will a dull moment be had by those wanting to participate in heavy weapons fighting and fencing. The prize? Why, bragging rights for the day, of course! Or, show-off your skills with axes and knives at our thrown weapons range. But, don't be too much of a windbag, or you might miss out on our brewing competition. This year's theme? Tea! Beg, borrow or steal your best mix of teas and show them off to our contemptible crew of judges. Keep a close eye on your secret recipe, however, or it might just walk off in someone's pocket! Contact the autocrats, Garith and Rose with questions (724)850-7404 thorneskeep1@yahoo.com



Greetings from the **Shire of Hartstone!**Come join us in celebrating the midsummer season at our 2nd annual Celtic Fire Festival on Friday and Saturday June 22 & 23 at Flying H Ranch Arena in Campbell, NY. It is with great pride that our event will be hosting the **AEthelmearc Heavy Weapons** Championship!

We open our festival Friday at 7:00 PM with a heavy weapons Torchlight Tourney, Equestrian authorizations, dancing, music, and of course FIRE! Saturday troll will open at 8 am for the early comers. Open the day with an Equestrian Tournament run by Lady Raghnailt in Eich at 10 am. The Heavy Weapons Championship will be fought at 11 am. A sideboard at noon followed by Scottish Highland games run by Decimus. Fencing will be occurring as well and Archery instruction! For Tea Time, at 3pm, Consorts and their Champions will take the field for a lovely round of Combat Croquet. Finger foods will be provided, but you must bring your own "Tea". Children's activities throughout the day. Again this year, "Faerie House" building competition. This year the feast will be cook by our own Lasairfhiona Inghen Aindrias (MKA Vicky Presler, ravenheart.vp (at) gmail.com). Please contact for dietary concerns. Saturday night will be more music, dancing, and celebrating around and over FIRE! The site fee is \$7, one fee covers all the weekend and camping. Family cap site fee of \$30. Cost of the feast \$8, \$4 for children 12 and under. Babes in arms are always free. Pre-Registration, please mail checks and information to Lady Anna Dillon (Annie Harrison, 42 Lincoln Ave, Dansville, NY 14437), make checks payable to: Shire of Hartstone, SCA Inc. Please tell us the number of attendees (adults and children), if attending feast and arrival date.

Seeking out Celtic personas: a few good lords and ladies dressed in kilts, painted in woad, carrying claymores, who steal sheep and cattle, spin and weave, wear leine, moy gowns or Irish monk's robes: illuminate manuscripts, draw knot work, play bagpipes or tell bardic tales! Join us at the **Ithaca Scottish Games and Celtic Festival** (Stewart Park, no street address, Ithaca, Ny 14850) on **June 30th and July 1st** to create a Celtic village. Noon to 6pm on both days. There will be fighting, fencing, A&S and tons of people to talk to! For more information contact Gytha Oggsdottir (Lori Baird, 305 Blackstone Ave, Ithaca, Ny 14850 (607)351-8433) To find out more about the festival checkout their website http://www.ithacascottishgames.com



The Barony-Marche of the Debatable Lands invites one and all to help celebrate the epic battle to find the next Queen's Rapier Champion and...our Baronial Birthday! In store is a day filled with fencing, fighting, throwing, and painting capped off with a sumptuous Scottish feast in honor of our Scottish Baron.

Bring your best displays of pageantry to decorate the fields in a glorious array fit for a Queen! Join us on **May 26, 2012** at The Unitarian Universalist Church of the North Hills, 2359 West Ingomar Rd., Franklin Park, PA 15237. Site opens at 9am and closes at 9pm.

Fighters, prepare yourselves for a 3 on 3 tournament and choose a Laurel or Pelican team sponsor to provide a favor for each combatant. Artisans, please bring your finest to enter the A&S Competition. Let our glorious barony provide the inspiration for your entry! Throwers, look forward to bringing your best for our birthday inspired range. Need a break from the marshal fun? Come inside and make yourself a BMDL belt favor to wear with pride. Questions can be directed to the autocrat for the day, Lady Isabel Fleuretan (Jackie Lockhart) at isabellemaurienne@gmail.com or 724-448-326



Count Sir Richard the Squirrel-Hearted

(source: www.worth1000.com)

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**Websites of the Month** – This month, I thought I'd list a few medieval cookbooks that can be found online.

An Anonymous Andalusian Cookbook of the 13th Century <a href="http://www.daviddfriedman.com/Medieval/Cookbooks/Andalusian">http://www.daviddfriedman.com/Medieval/Cookbooks/Andalusian</a>

/andalusian\_contents.htm

Le Ménagier De Paris (1393)

http://www.pbm.com/~lindahl/menagier/

The Forme of Cury (1390)

http://www.pbm.com/~lindahl/foc/

The Good Huswifes Jewell (1596)

http://www.medievalcookery.com/notes/ghj1596.txt

A Propre new booke of Cokery (1545)

http://www.godecookery.com/trscript/trscript.html

A New Booke of Cookerie (1615)

http://www.uni-giessen.de/gloning/tx/1615murr.htm

Cariadoc's Miscellany (redactions by Duke Cariadoc) http://www.pbm.com/~lindahl/cariadoc/recipe\_index.html

### <u>Upcoming Calendar – includes non-SCA events of interest</u> MAY

May 1 – SCA New Year

May 4 – Star Wars Day "May the fourth be with you!"

May 5 – Cinco de Mayo

May 5 – Spring Crown Tournament (Delftwood) http://www.delftwood.org/crown.htm

May 5 – Laurette de Montsalvy's Birthday

May 13 – Mother's Day

May 17-20 – War Practice (Steltonwald) http://warpractice.steltonwald.org/

May 18 – Dorinda's Birthday

Mary 26 – Queen's Rapier Champs (BMDL)

May 28 – Memorial Day

### **JUNE**

June 2 – Brass Ring Thing XII (Beau Fleuve) http://beaufleuve.aethelmearc.org

June 2 – Liars, Braggarts & Thieves (Westland Mor) http://www.stswithinsbog.org/canton/spring\_thing.html

June 14 – Flag Day

June 15-17 – Summer War Practice (Myrkfaelinn)

http://myrkfaelinn.aethelmearc.org/events/2012-06.html

June 16 – Aethelmearc AEcademy (Misty Highlands) http://www.aecademy.org/

June 16 – Baronial Champs (Rhydderich Hael)

June 16 – World Juggling Day http://www.juggle.org

June 17 – Father's Day

June 17 – Lord Lothin Vickarsson's Birthday

June 20 – Summer Soltice

June 22 – Celtic Fire (Hartstone)

June 27 – Helena of Lincoln's Birthday

June 30 – Army Muster and Equestrian Event (Stormsport) http://stormsport.aethelmearc.org/events.html

June 30 – Scottish Games and Celtic Festival Demo (Myrkfaelinn)

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