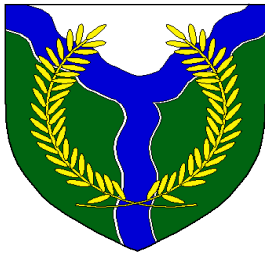


THE BARONIAL BARGE



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UPCOMING, IN OUR BARONY!

EVENTS:

OCTOBER 24-25TH, WAR OF THE RIVER BARONIES, GREY NICHE STRIKES BACK! LAFE, AR

Many fun and fabulous activities to be enjoyed at this event, being held at a Roman fort! Please see accompanying flyer, page X.

OFFICER'S MEETING

Scheduled for the 1st and 3rd Mondays, 10/5 and 10/19, at Joseph and Slaine's home.

CLASSES:

October 8th: Basic T-Tunic, Sancha Lestrangle
October 15th: History, Ancient Belly Dance, Melanie de la Tour
October 22nd Medieval Monsters Padraigin

SITE DINNER:

Thursday, October 1th. HE Slaine is organizing the dinner, with a "Harvest" theme. Immediately following the business meeting on Thursday the 1st.

ARCHERY PRACTICE:

[Per the announcement made by our Archery Marshall, Emiline de Moulineaux, posted on Facebook] Indoor practices begin next week. However, there aren't any "official" baronial practices. There will be 3 unofficial ones. Friday nights 8pm to close at Town Hall Archery in Belleville. Cost is \$8 per hour. Sunday afternoons noon to 4pm at Bowhunters of St. Louis in St. Charles. Cost is \$6 (cash only). Also, St. Peter's 370 Park has an outdoor archery range (crossbows welcome). Open from sunrise to sunset. Cost is \$5 at the ranger station. I plan to continue to practicing at this park Tuesday early evenings unless the weather is too bad.

BARONY MEETING/FIGHTER PRACTICE

Fighter practice typically begins around 6:30 (during warm weather, fighter practice is held outside). The business meeting begins at some time between 7:00 and 7:15, and fighter practice continues after the meeting. Classes are typically held after the meeting. Olivette Community Center, 9723 Grandview Drive; 63132.

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From the Chronicler:

Welcome to the 3rd edition of the Barge! I, your humble Chronicler, ask your assistance. I would love to have your comments, your suggestions, your input into this publication.

Is there something you want to see? Tell me! Is there something you don't like? Tell me that, too! Do you have a story, a new song, a picture...send it to me, and I will *cheerfully* include it in the next issue!

I would also like to announce the creation of the "On Line Barge Group" on Facebook. This has been specifically created for your editor to give you notice of events that I discovered, after the publication of this newsletter. I will also be posting these little "tidbits" of information on the Baronial e-mail list. If you want to join the FB group, it can be found here:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/893765597378238/>

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UPCOMING EVENTS!

Several of the most popular, longest running, and well-attended events for the folk of Three Rivers will soon be upon us! As such, I thought I would make mention of them here, for those newer folk who may not be familiar with them.

Autumn Arrows: This weekend! Saturday, Oct. 3, in the Shire of Calanais Nuadh (Rolla, MO). This is one of the longest running archery events in the Kingdom! Event flyer can be found at <http://www.shireofcalanaisnuadh.org/autumnarrows/>

Crystal Ball: Nov.13-15, Barony of Shattered Crystal (Belleville, IL). This Mid-Realm event is all-dancing, all-day. Come for the instruction in the afternoon, stay for the ball in the evening, and, featuring a feast by the HL Berengaria Mordaunt (so it's guaranteed to be excellent!) Flyer at <http://www.shatteredcrystal.org/activities-and-events/events/crystal-ball-xxxii>

Toys for Tots: Saturday, Nov 21, Wyvern Cliff (Jefferson City, MO). This large, annual tournament is a *crucial* collection point for the Toys for Tots campaign in Jefferson City. Hundreds of toys are collected every year, and Three Rivers is WELL known for the number of toys we provide. This year, our own HL Elynor of Glastonbury will be elevated to the Order of the Laurel, at this event. There is currently no link from the Kingdom Website, but there is a FB group that can be found at <https://www.facebook.com/events/775484875894137/>

Kris Kinder: Dec.12, Forgotten Sea (Kansas City, MO) Looking for all those SCA accessories and materials that you just can't find anywhere else? Kris Kinder will probably have them. In addition, to the shopping, all of the orders and all of the Calontir guilds have meetings at this event. So, if you're interested in cooking, or the bardic college, or some other guild in the Kingdom, you can come and meet with similarly interested folk. And, as an added incentive, HL Ise no Kusunoki Kametsuru will be elevated to the Order of the Laurel, at this event.

“WHAT’S NEW, IN WHAT’S OLD?”

OR

WHERE DO I GO TO LEARN MORE ABOUT MY FAVORITE TIME PERIOD?

Horse, Mule, and Ox Farming, & Historical Crafts Days

From their Facebook page:
Heritage crafts and old-tyme farming skills are highlighted in this 2-day family event. Draft animal teams will demonstrate "no gas needed" farming skills and offering wagon rides, as well as providing power for corn-grinding and sorghum pressing. Syrup cooking, spinning, soap making, dry stone masonry, Native American herbs, woodworking, children's primitive games & toys, beekeeping, and more! Fiber skills by the Rural Missouri Spinners. Local author Walter Schlemper signing his autobiographical books about life on the farm. Rare livestock breeds on display. Dutch-oven cooking, whole hog barbecue, kettle corn, funnel cakes, other treats!
Gerald, MO. Free admission.
<https://www.facebook.com/MidMODays>

Cathedral Concerts:

Tenebrae, 10/29, 8PM

World renowned choral music group Tenebrae will perform at the magnificent St. Louis Basilica, 4431 Lindell Blvd. The first part of the program will be all late-period music (the concert is worth attending for the performance of Thomas Luis de Victoria's "Tenebrae Responsories" alone). Enjoy the highest quality of choral music, in the gorgeous surroundings (and spectacular acoustics!) of the St. Louis Cathedral. Tickets \$19-\$42.
Info: cathedralconcerts.org

INTERNATIONAL ARCHAEOLOGICAL DAY

Sat., 10/17/15, 10 AM to 2 PM

Jefferson Barracks County Park Visitor's Center, 533 Grant Road, St. Louis, MO 63125. A family event. Lectures and hands on study. Archaeologists and living historians will be talking about archaeology at military sites ranging from Jefferson Barracks to Roman legionary camps.

Did you know...?

St. Louis is the home of the **only** complete collection of the *Bibliotheca Apostolica Vaticana* (the Vatican Library) outside of the Vatican, itself. Containing more than 37,000 microfilms of works from the Vatican collection, it is located in the Pius XII Library on the SLU campus. In addition, the rare books collection has over 30,000 items in its Special Collections, including volumes of incunabula (books printed before 1501, including a leaf of the Gutenberg Bible) and works by Peter Ramus (humanist and philosopher of the 16th century). Both the microfilm library and the rare books collection are available for public use, although calling ahead to make an appointment is considered a good idea. You can call the Library at (314) 977-3101. Or, if you want to find out if the library has materials pertinent to something you're researching, you can text the library at (314) 925-7331 and get a "quick answer" during regular library hours.

Summer Hours: Monday—Thursday, 7:30AM—9:00PM; Friday, 7:30AM—8:00PM; Saturday & Sunday, 10:00am—6:00 PM

Location: 3650 Lindell Blvd. , St Louis, MO 63108

We Learn from Each Other

Since we are still in a Roman Reign, and given that we'll be going to a Roman fort at the end of October, here are some pictures of the "look" you might want to achieve.



There appears to be some “confusion” on the part of the folks of Grey Niche, as to ownership of the lands of Three Rivers. No doubt we can clarify things for them! (See event flyer, below)

Prime Land Available!

**In the Northern marches of Grey Niche, also known as
“Three Rivers”**

War of the River Baronies at Samhain 2015

October 22-25, 2015

The Castrum, 300 Valley Drive, Lafe AR, 72436

Since AS XX, when Her Excellency Arielle, Baroness of Grey Niche, first claimed the lands of Three Rivers, there has been unrest and even open rebellion by the Calontir populace of Three Rivers. At least five times Grey Niche has had to muster its allies to bring its Northern subjects into line. Now, once again the populace of Three Rivers chafes against their Grey Niche overlords, and Their Excellencies Arielle and Guillermo of Grey Niche and their Allies will be marching to The Castrum to reinforce and accept the fealty of their Northern subjects.. Allies assisting Grey Niche may be granted rights to lands in the Northern Marches.

Discussions will take place at **The Castrum**, a period Roman fort located at **300 Valley Drive, Lafe, AR 72436**. The site will open at 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 22 and close at noon on Sunday, October 25, 2015

Activities will include multiple war scenarios in and around the Roman fort, live weapons competitions, a bardic competition and singing around the campfires, and classes. If there is an activity not listed that you would like to see, please contact the autocrat to see if it can be added.

This is a tenting only event (no beds). Hotels are available in nearby Paragould, AR. A tavern-style dinner for 150 will be provided by three Households of Calontir for \$10, payable at the door. Any questions or dietary restrictions should be brought to the attention of Fiondel Songspinner (michelle.m.heitman@gmail.com). Profits will benefit Royal funds of both Kingdoms. There will be grills and the Roman oven available Friday evening. Bring a frozen pizza to cook in the oven or something to grill. Food vendors and other merchants are invited and encouraged to attend. Please contact the autocrat and reserve in advance to reserve space in the vending area.

Check the “Samhain - War of the River Baronies” Facebook Event for most recent information at: <http://tiny.cc/Samhain2015>

Autocrat: Guillermo Berenguer, mka William Hopper,
Whopper@pobox.com, 901-378-3688

Reservations: Giacomo Falcone, mka James Baker:
Kimo.aubrey@gmail.com, 901-826-2448

Event Flyer, Continued

Site Fees	Do not mail reservations after October 10	
Weekend, Mailed by October 10	Adult Member \$14.00	Child Member (7-12) \$7.00
Weekend, PayPal / At Door	Adult Member \$16.00	Child Member (7-12) \$8.00
Daytrip Saturday Only	Adult Member \$12.00	Child Member (7-12) \$6.00
Add \$5 if not a SCA member.	Children 6 and under are free.	
Add \$10 for Saturday meal ticket	Cash only at the door.	

No family shall pay a Site fee higher than three (3) adult member prices for admission to an event as long as they are all members. This may or may not include bed and/or feast spaces for more than those covered by the three (3) paid adult member prices at the hosting Group’s discretion. Family is defined as One (1) or Two (2) custodial adults, plus legal dependents age 17 or under. Proof of immediate family relations and age may be required.

Make checks payable to: SCA-TN-Barony of Grey Niche and send them to:
Barony of Grey Niche, War Reservations, PO Box 11184, Memphis, TN 38111

Please see the kingdom website for instructions on reserving through PayPal, or please send the following information: Mundane name, SCA name, Membership #, exp. date and what you want to reserve to: gappdeputy@gmail.com DO NOT send money until you receive a PayPal Invoice.

Directions: Take best route to Lafe, AR. Turn North from Hwy 135 onto Valley Drive, then go to the end to enter the site.



OUR BARONIAL HISTORY

Last month, we saw the arms of the Barony, and those of our Founding Baron and Baroness. Now, let's look at the arms of the other gentles who have worn the coronet of Three Rivers:

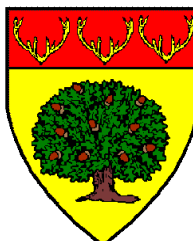


<—HE Cormac O'Sullivan, KSCA . Cormac held the coronet without a consort Baroness.



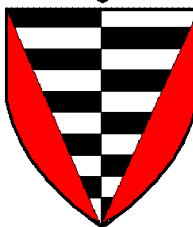
<—HE Fernando Rodriguez de Falcon, KSCA, OL, OP. Note the Cross of Calatrava in the upper left hand corner. That is an "Augmentation of Arms", which signifies a person whose name has become synonymous with Calontir.

HE Lyriel de la Foret, OL, OP—>



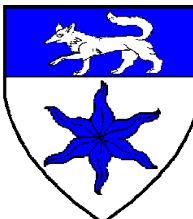
<—HG Hirsch Ross Eichman, KSCA

Magdalena vander Meere, OL—>



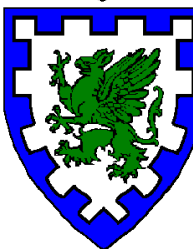
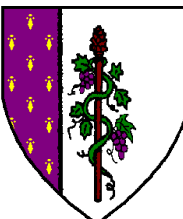
<—HE Duncan Fearnach MacLeod, KSCA

HE Gillian Warrender, OL—>



<—HE Ravasz Janos, OL

HE Kajsa Nikulasdotter—>



Which brings us to our current Baron and Baroness,

<—HE Josef von Rothenburg

HE Slaine ni Chiarain, OL—>



The Essential Accessories : The Mug

Obviously, since "an attempt at pre-17th century garb" is the one absolute requirement for an event, that's the first thing a newcomer must have. But, then what? What are the other essentials, and how do you get them? This month, we talk about the mug.

Some kind of drinking vessel is absolutely necessary. If for no other reasons than, how are you going to sample that *wonderful* mead you've just been offered, if you have nothing to put it in? Glass, of course, is very much a period option, but not exactly what you might consider durable (particularly if you're at a camping event). Leave the glass in your feast gear basket and save it for Coronation. Metal, such as light-weight aluminum, is durable, easy to carry, and looks nice. And has the extra advantage of being something you can *frequently* find at thrift stores. The serious disadvantage is that you cannot drink anything hot (like that essential first cup of coffee) out of a metal mug. Also, beware of pewter mugs, unless you're very sure it was designed for food use, rather than as a decorative piece. Leather jacks are period, light weight, and very durable. They do tend to be a bit pricey, and you have to be very careful about maintaining them. If the sealant cracks, you really don't want to be drinking out of dyed leather. Wood mugs, though beautiful, tend to be rather fragile, and are hard to clean. And then, there is the ceramic mug. Yes, ceramic will break. But ceramic mugs can be used for any liquid, clean easily, and can be works of art. We have, here in the Barony, at least two professional potters, who create beautiful, durable mugs.

Ash & Griffin Pottery sells beautiful mugs. Their website is here: <http://ashandgriffin.com/> Fair warning, however! That website also will show you a good many drool-worthy ceramic art pieces. Enter at your budget's peril!

Another local-to-the-Barony potter is Master Aelred, who is rather well-known at Pennsic for throwing his mugs into the road, to prove their durability. (I have put one on the roof of my car, had it fall off when I pulled away, and I *may* have driven over the base in the process, and it was still fine, lying there in the driveway, when I retrieved it.) "Massa A's" mugs can be found at local events, or by contacting him, personally.

Officer's Meeting Highlights

9/7/15: *Labor Day, Meeting Cancelled*

9/21/15: *Items Discussed*

Preparations for Bardic Bedlam going well. Amba went to S&T to get rivets and buckles, and discussed how the armor repair portion of the event is coming. Theresa will be running a lemonade stand as a fund raiser for the kids.

Use of the meeting site in Olivette. 10/15 & 10/21 we do not have use of the gym for meeting. Possible no-weapon class for one of those nights. Possible "send-off court" on the 21st.

Social media discussion. "Meetup" discussed. Meetup.com description given by Ossric. Other social media for the Barony will be investigated, e.g. Twitter and/or Instagram.

Discussion of Crystal Mines doing Crown in April, and they will be counting on us for help with putting on the tourney. Crown is scheduled on Easter weekend, March 26th.

Event steward check list updated and being reviewed.

Lucia discussed the updates to and simplification of the Quest packet. Discussion of whether or not seeing a large percentage of people in garb is encouraging or intimidating. Discussion of the possibility of creating "art bins," and a potential budget for the kit components.

CHATELAINE'S CORNER



Dinner at Samhain



Menu	
<i>Gustus</i>	<i>Appetizer</i>
<i>Pepones et Melones</i> <i>Isicia Amulata Ali Aliena</i> <i>Tisana Taricha</i>	<i>Fresh melon, cubed with sweet & sour dressing.</i> <i>Meatballs</i> <i>Ground Chickpeas with spices and herbs served with flatbread</i>
<i>Carnis</i>	<i>Meat Dishes</i>
<i>Aliter Hædus Sive Agnus Syringatus</i> <i>Pernam</i> <i>Gruens Vei Anatem</i>	<i>Seasoned Lamb</i> <i>"Baked Picnic" (Meat pies with ham)</i> <i>Roast Chicken</i>
<i>Hortus</i>	<i>Vegetables</i>
<i>Aliter</i> <i>Cucurbitas lere Colocasionum</i> <i>Cucumbers</i> <i>Agrestes Lactucæ</i>	<i>Glazed Carrots</i> <i>Fried Squash</i> <i>Cucumbers (with wine sauce)</i> <i>Salad</i>
<i>Frumentum</i>	<i>Grain Dishes</i>
<i>Tisana Sive Cremore</i> <i>Oryza</i>	<i>Cooked Barley with savory spices</i> <i>Rice (with vegetables)</i>
<i>Epidisquis</i>	<i>Desserts</i>
<i>Patina de Pisis</i> <i>Libani</i>	<i>Pear custard</i> <i>Cheesecake</i>

The combined forces of The Rising Falcon, Inn Cognito, and Captain Cutters in will provide a sumptuous , tavern-style meal at the War of the River Baronies event. This dinner, on Saturday, October 24, will feature your selections from the above-menu. For the cost of \$10, you will get the appetizer plate, one choice from the meat entrees, two choices from the vegetable entrees, one of the two grain dishes, one dessert choice, and a variety of non-alcoholic drinks (at present, these will certainly include root beer, lemon/lavender drink, a ginger/mint drink, and sekanjabin...there MAY be others, as well!) There will also be a bar with more "adult" beverages available. Donations to the bar will be cheerfully accepted. Concerns for dietary restrictions and/or allergies should be brought to the attention of Fiondel Songspinner as soon as possible (michelle.m.heitman@gmail.com or text messages to 314-800-3525). There will be a limit of 150 seats available for this dinner, and there are already (as of 10/1) 22 reserved places! Don't miss your chance! Profits from this dinner will be split between the Gleann Abhann and the Calontir

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Caption this!

Last Month's "Caption This" winner:



"Overheard in HG Magda's kitchen: 'Clearly, cauldron beats fish. Cauldron, you get to be the front end.'" I win this one, folks, since there were no other entries!

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