

The Barge

A Letter From Their Excellencies

Come now kindred and hear our words of home and far. A moon has come and gone since on lillies field we gathered and grain now turns gold beneath summer sun. Our hearts have been filled with deeds of honor, courage, and crafts. All well honed in the hallowed halls of our holdings. We have mourned the fallen and hailed our newly born. With passing night comes bright dawning and so with each event gone, another awaits. On which fields will we see you next? Where again shall we raise horn and cry skoal?

Duncan and Gwendolyn

Ealdorman and Baroness Three Rivers



Upcoming ART'S & SCIENCES CLASSES

July 18th, Minimal Equipment Tablet Weaving, Taught by Taliesin

July 25th, Silk Banners Part One: Creating Designs, Taught by Jon Cheseby

August 1st, Silk Banners Part 2: Painting the Banners, Taught by Jon Cheseby **NOTE: If you would like to paint a full sided banner, please bring PVC pipes 2 @ 63" and 2 @ 16.5". Preferably 3/4" diameter.**

August 8, How to make a Shield, Taught by Faustus Cantilis Lupus

August 15 Skjoldehamn Hood Workshop, Taught by Gwendolyn Verch Morgaine **NOTE: Please bring 1 yard of woven fabric**

August 22, Introduction to RUSH, Taught by Aslinn Morcroft

August 29, Making Octopuses, Taught by Taliesin

What's New in What's Old CONTRIBUTOR, HER LADYSHIP FIONDAL SONSPINNER

Until August 30th, Chinese Buddhist Art, 10th–15th Centuries, Saint Louis Art Museum. From the website, “In the centuries after Buddhism was introduced to China in the early part of the Han dynasty (AD 25–220), the style of Chinese Buddhist art developed its own unique characteristics. Spanning nearly 600 years—from the Five Dynasties (907–960) to the early part of the Ming Dynasty (1368–1644)—Chinese Buddhist Art, 10th–15th Centuries explores this evolution with rarely exhibited works from the Museum’s collection that depict significant Buddhist subjects, including bodhisattvas, arhats, and lotuses. The centerpiece of the exhibition is a wall painting depicting the seated Bodhisava Avalokiteśvara that once decorated a temple hall in northern China during the Five Dynasties period.

Until September 9th, Ancient Egypt, Saint Louis Art Museum, from the website, “In 2018, the Saint Louis Art Museum will be the first North American art museum to tell the epic story of one of the greatest finds in the history of underwater archaeology, a story that revealed two lost cities of ancient Egypt submerged under the Mediterranean Sea for over a thousand years. World-renowned underwater archaeologist Franck Goddio and his team discovered these

Upcoming Events

July, 2018

7/21-22, CalonCon

7/28-29 Summer Slaughter
Feast of Eagles

August, 2018

8/4-12, Pensic

8/11-12, Regional Fighter Practice

8/18-19, Heraldshill Annual Event
Masters of the Duel

8/25-26, Cattle Raids
Baroness Wars

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submerged worlds and uncovered stunning ancient religious, ceremonial, and commercial artifacts, which has led to a greater understanding of life during the age of pharaohs.

More than 200 of these authentic artifacts, including three colossal 16-foot sculptures of a pharaoh, a queen, and a god will be on view. Objects range from the colossal sculptures to precious gold coins and jewelry, bronze vessels, objects inscribed in the ancient Egyptian or Greek languages, and statues from the sunken and forgotten ancient cities of Thonis-Heracleion and Canopus. They will be seen alongside ancient Egyptian artifacts from museums in Cairo and Alexandria, many of which have never been on view in the United States.”

July 28th, @ 8:30 am, Mississippian Conference, Cahokia Mounds, from the website, “The Mississippian Conference will be a day of presentations on Mississippian-related or Cahokia Mounds-related topics by archaeologists. More information will become available as the schedule is completed. The event is open to the public and the cost is \$5 per person to attend. Seating is limited, as this will take place in the auditorium.”

August 4th, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm, Archeological Day, Cahokia Mounds, from the website, "Join us for a day of demonstrations of ancient crafts, artifact processing, storytelling and hands-on activities. The excavations will be open for tours. Visitors can help screen dirt and speak with the archaeologists working at the site. Food and Drinks will be available for purchase. This is a free event.”

August 25 & 26, 10:00 am - 6:00 pm, Festival of Nations (okay, so not old, per se, but it’s a cool festival), Tower Grove Park.

A CAMPING WE WILL GO: TIPS, TRICKS, RECIPES AND MEMORIES OF OUTDOOR & CAMPING EVENTS

“My wife says camping is a tradition in her family; it was a tradition in everyone’s family until we invented houses.” ~ Jim Gaffigan

Warmer weather is here and so are all kinds of camping events. If you’ve asked me, “Hey are you going to such and such event?”, and said event involves stewing in my own people juices, it’s usually a hard no from me. It’s not that I don’t like camping. I LOVE camping. But the heat? Oh man.

As I’ve gotten older, I’ve found my body doesn’t recover as quickly from the heat. But there are ways to stay cool, hydrated, and refreshed so your event is far more enjoyable. I’ve reached out Kingdom wide for these tips, tricks, life hacks, and memories. I’ve used the person’s name visible on social



media, for easier contact access.

Keeping Comfortable

“Always pack a fan. And a set of extra sleeping stuff, like blankets and sheets.” ~ Casandra Sherman

“Pack a cloak (yes, even in July), and a set of dry clothes in a bag/your vehicle.” ~ Lois Domek

“I used to keep a hat in the cooler in icy water then put it on. When it's super hot.” ~ Kendra Brockman

“Freaking TOTES man! Boxes are cool, TOTES keep things dry.” ~ James Patterson

“This may seem like common sense, but pack a water tight tub with a set of clothes and towels. The weather can get unpredictably soggy and tents can catastrophically fail! Having a way to be dry can go miles towards improving one's mood during clean up.” ~ Helen E.C. Schurbert

Weather

“Understand that there will be a storm - and prepare for it, but revel in it's glory!” ~ Rebekah Mardis

“Huddle together. The worst storms seem less scary when you are surrounded by loved ones.” ~ Pádraigín AnEinigh, survivor of Gulfnado

Basic Etiquette

General Tips

“Bring a wagon. Foldable is good, but any wagon will do in a pinch - hauling ice or war items from one side of site to another is made *much* easier with a wagon!” ~ Rebekah Mardis

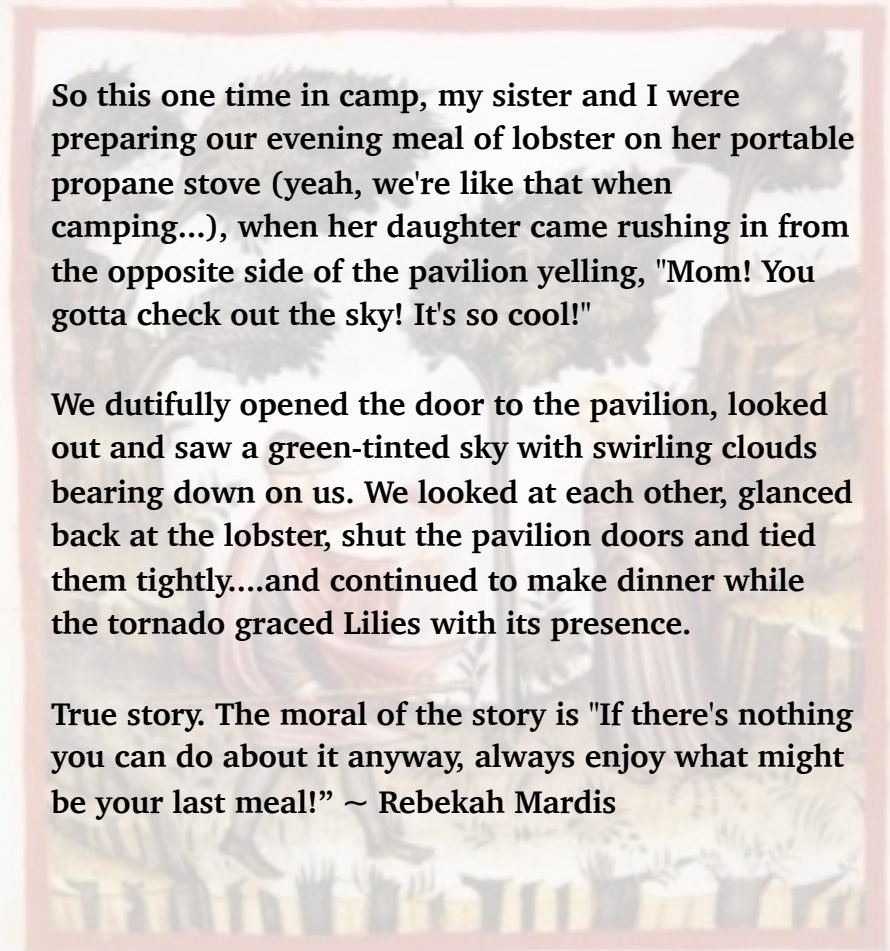
“I've lined the cooler with the reflective "bubble-wrap" type of insulation from Home Depot. It seemed to help a lot. I needed fewer replacement bags of ice. I also made three "lids" that flip down to cover the sections I'm not searching.” ~ Jennifer Ann Jordan

“Twas Lilies XIX, my first. I had fallen in with a feisty crowd of heralds. We spent at least one night laying on the road, right in the middle, really, watching the stars and identifying new constellations based on primary charges and field divisions and such. Remember sunscreen, remember to drink water, and remember to find your goobs and cherish them.”

~ Heather Green Jennings



“For events where cold and/or wet nights are possible (pretty much all) - make yourself a sheepskin sandwich sleeping bag. Buy 2 XXL size sheepskins (the 4 regular sized ones sewn together) from Costco or Ikea. For your bed, build it as usual (preferably OFF the cold/wet ground!). You, however, will sleep inside the sheepskin sandwich (wooly side IN). You may also want a nice wool beanie for your head. Covers over the sheepskin are fine. Get as undressed as you can - certainly anything wet and muddy - before getting into your bed. Sleep as naked as you can. Put your clothes for the next day in the bed with you - at least your base layer - so they are warm in the morning. Keep a chamber pot by your bed to avoid cold/wet trips to the loo in the middle of the night.



So this one time in camp, my sister and I were preparing our evening meal of lobster on her portable propane stove (yeah, we're like that when camping...), when her daughter came rushing in from the opposite side of the pavilion yelling, "Mom! You gotta check out the sky! It's so cool!"

We dutifully opened the door to the pavilion, looked out and saw a green-tinted sky with swirling clouds bearing down on us. We looked at each other, glanced back at the lobster, shut the pavilion doors and tied them tightly....and continued to make dinner while the tornado graced Lilies with its presence.

True story. The moral of the story is "If there's nothing you can do about it anyway, always enjoy what might be your last meal!" ~ Rebekah Mardis

“A good quality camp toilet in camp makes a difference. Hiking to the facilities in the middle of the night is one of those activities I prefer to skip.” ~ Jennifer Ann Jordan (In a pinch, a bucket of kitty litter works!)”

“If you get a nice canvas tent don't skimp on lumber, ropes, or stakes. A properly tightened down tent with solid lumber can withstand more than you might expect.” ~ Faustus Cantilius Lupus

“If you use a tarp as a ground cloth for your canvas tent, roll pool noodles under the edge near the bottom of your tent walls. If it storms, this will help water from coming up over the edge and soaking your rugs and other stuff.” ~ Jill Sibley

Camping Etiquette

“Do not shine thy flashlight or lantern into other people's faces whilst walking at night. It ruins their night vision and ticks them off. Keep the beam of thy light upon the trail.

Never, ever relieve yourself uphill of someone else's tent.

Remember that tent walls are not sound proof in either direction. When there is a light inside a tent, and someone (s) are doing things, the light creates a silhouette puppet show on the walls of the tent for everyone outside the tent to see. Consider whether you want to be the evening's entertainment.

Offer beverages to the heralds and camp criers, and thank them!

Pick up after yourself- every time. Also pick up after -and supervise- your kids.

If you smoke, remember to do so only in private camps, field dress/strip/police your butts and pay close attention to wind direction.

If you don't smoke, recognize the rights of those who do to also enjoy their event, and try to be an adult.” ~ Holly Cochran

Franklin, 158, fol. 213, Min. J.H.C. ap. 110 v

When you go camping and your tent mate won't stop snoring...



“I was enjoying a very rainy event with ankle deep water, and rain coming from everywhere. While visiting a new friend's pavilion, she mentioned I should have a full clean change of clothes, right down to skivvies and shoes, in my car. I responded, several times, that my mundane tent is currently water tight, and my mundanes were in a plastic watertight bin inside, all safe and dry, right? Well, after 2 hours of this conversation, and convincing her that I *will* have dry clothes to travel home in, my daughter stopped by, soaked to the bone, having the time of her life, making mud angels in the field with the other kids and... wearing my mundane clothing. Every stitch of it. I died a little inside that night... So, yes. Keep a sack of mundanes, a COMPLETE change, in the car.”

~ Lee Waldack

HAPPY BIRTHDAY THREE RIVERS!

July 8th brought a lovely day in the park (arranged and corralled by the lovely Lady Uaithe) where we worked on projects, visited, ate, drank, made merry, fought, and had a wee Baronial Court. But this wasn't just any day in the park. July 3rd marks the birthday of the Barony (I'll have more about the history in the Autumn issue) and what a better reason to get together and hang out, than to celebrate the birthday of our Barony?







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