

FEWMET

Newsletter of the Barony of Thescorre

A MESSAGE FROM THE CHRONICLERS / WEBMINISTERS

Greetings industrious Barony.

We have some requests for the Barony, first is from the Chronicler side. We are seeking articles, comics, games, puzzles and/or anything you would like to submit for the Fewmet. Did you teach a class? Attend an event? We know that you have opinions, please share them with the Barony.

Also, we are hoping to finally get the FEWMET on it's proper schedule. This means we would like to receive all submissions by the 1st of the month at the latest. Eventually we would LOVE to get the FEWMET out on the 1st, but baby steps. (smile)

Now from the Webministers: Is there someone out there that would be willing to get a monthly report with updates of awards and recognition received by members of the Barony so that we can keep the site up to date? It is difficult for us to constantly watch for these things and now that Sorcha is returning to college she will not have the time like before. This would be GREATLY appreciated.

Yours in Service,
Sorcha & Donal



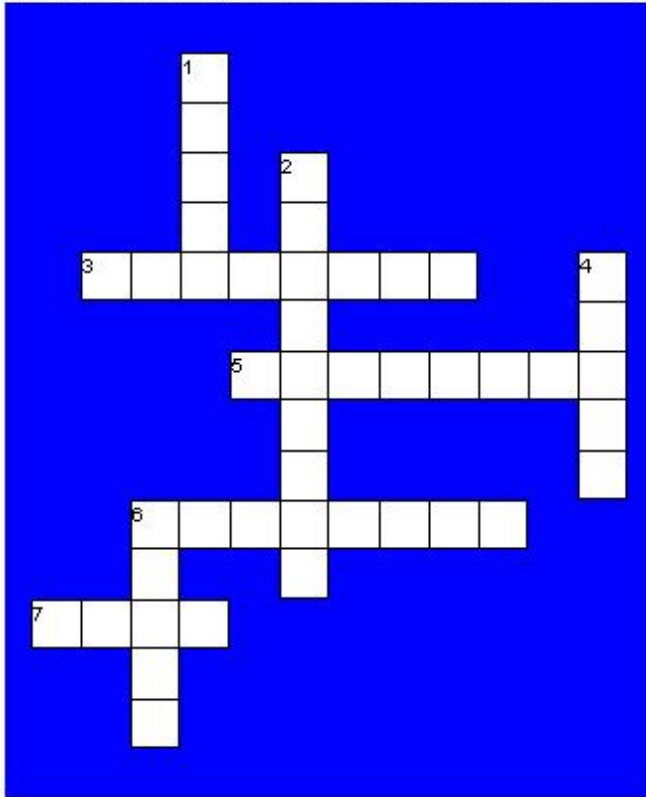
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FOR THE KIDS

Awards and Orders of Aethelmarc Crossword Puzzle

**ACROSS**

- 3) is given to recognize service to the kingdom.
 5) is given for service to the kingdom, including teaching and autocratting.
 6) is given for accomplishments in the peaceful arts and sciences, including entertaining and research.
 7) is given to recognize accomplishments in the heavy lists and melee fields.

DOWN

- 1) is given to recognize those outstanding individuals who exemplify skill, courtesy, chivalry and service.
 2) is given to honor courtesy.
 4) is given to recognize skill in the gentler arts.
 6) is given for service to the Crown.

THE SCORRE CURIA BUSINESS MEETING 11-20-2007

Adams Street Recreation Center
 Peregrine, Seneschale
 18 Thescorreans present

Royalty Chamberlain office

Peregrine asked Matilda to review her proposal for a new baronial officer, a royalty chamberlain. This position would be a deputy to the exchequer and would perform several functions, including communicating with the Crown about attending events in Thescorre, recruiting and organizing retainers for the Crown at our events, overseeing high table and the royalty room, etc.

Fridrikr asked if the officer would oversee high table even when we hold an event at which no royalty attend. Since we would still have local representatives of the royalty here – the baron and baroness – yes, Matilda said the position should oversee high table in those instances.

Those present voted 14-3-0 in support of the new office. They also nominated Orianna for the job (who was NOT present!).

Officer Reports

MOL: I've attended two barony events in the past two weeks, Bronwyn said. These include the Champions Tournament at Their Excellencies' home, which fielded five entrants. Decimus was named the new baronial Heavy Weapons Champion. There was a round robin fencing tournament with 19 entrants at Rapier Academy. She noted that Their Excellencies gave an 11-pound bar of Callabaut chocolate to the winner, who chopped it up into chunks and shared them with all who attended the event. (Steffan complained that his 10-pound dog, Kristina, chomped his entire chunk of chocolate... and somehow survived the experience!)

Rattan: We have a new champion, Vettius reported. He and Siggy noted that the fighters are discussing a possible change in the practice schedule, so that fighting might occur on the Tuesday nights that are not the business and social meetings. (Bryn noted that this would conflict with Cooks Guild.) He will inventory the loaner gear he has for Steffan's report, mostly armor knees, gauntlets, and various sports equipment.

Steward: Steffan displayed a several-pages-long inventory (in TINY typeface) of the barony equipment in his basement, including an entire page on just spices and other ingredients. He also displayed a Debatable Lands banner that he found among the barony encampment sheet walls, and which he handed over to Her Excellency.

A&S: Everything is going well, Kadlin

reported. We have regular guild and practice meetings. Vettius is continuing to hold armoring workshops at his home regularly. We hosted a newcomers night at our home recently, which was very well attended, and we hope there will be more in the future. She urged gentles to have unofficial activities: "I'm sewing this afternoon, anyone who wants to come over and sew come join me."

The December Social meeting will be our annual Yule; come in garb, bring food (with ingredient lists, please), and be prepared to schmooze. ("And dance?" Katja asked.)

Rapier: We've averaged four to five attendants at fencing practice, Yasmina said. One of our new people, Bjorn, has modern fencing experience. We just held a really spiff event this weekend, Rapier Academy. (More on that below.)

Exchequer: Alina said we have \$3,450.98 in checking and \$3,018 in savings. She just completed the third quarter report for the barony, as well as the event report for Crown.

Chatelaine: Dubheasa sang her last report (since she is dropping dead as of January) to the tune of Gilligan's Island. Siggy is stepping up as the next chatelaine.

Seneschale: We have three positions turning over in January, Peregrine reported: chronicler, herald, and archery marshal, and all three have agreed to continue in their offices. She noted that Cedric would love to be replaced. She thanked Stef-

fan for his inventory of the barony stores, and added that she had written reports from the webministers/chroniclers, chirurgeon, and archery marshal.

Baronage: Katja listed the events she and Eric have attended since Pennsic, and noted that she has been attending most dance and cooks guild practices while Eric is alternating between fighting and fencing each Monday. They inventoried all the baronage equipment they have, and she handed a two-page list to Steffan and Peregrine. She read off a few of the more amusing items, including "five plastic ravens ("Bobs") for the encampment gate, a large stuffed Bob, a small feathered Bob, a small feathered Bob wearing a baronial tabard, Chainmail Bob," and two stuffed Bob scepters which she and Eric wielded during Court at the Rapier Academy. She was relieved to learn that Steffan had most of the encampment walls at his



house, since she found only a few in theirs.

Threadworkers will meet Sunday, December 2 at 3 p.m. at Matilda's. **Cooks Guild** met last week and had a cheese tasting, Bryn reported. Please come to Cooks Guild!

Rapier Academy

There were some issues with the event, but overall we had a great time, Yasmina said. There was a big concert at the Armory two nights before and it still needed cleanup. The owner did not have any help, so it was still locked up at 9 a.m. when gentles started to arrive so there was some confusion about where to park and which door to use to get inside. However, classes started on time at 10 a.m., and we had lots of fencing all day long. The arena is very large and obviously very hard to keep warm, so it was only about 53 degrees inside.



There's still a lot of work to do on the site; for anyone who didn't know, the owners bought the Armory at auction for only \$1,000 (yes, that's one thousand dollars) but have put over \$2 million into it in renovations at this point. Unfortunately, the onsite restaurant was not up and running, and the concessions opened late, so people left the site to get lunch.

Even with the cold, the lack of food, and everything, the event went very well for the first time using this site, she said. We had only 89 attendants so we did not break even, but everyone seemed to have a great time and so she said she thought it was a success. She pointed out that SCAdians from five different kingdoms attended the event, and those attending from our neighboring groups were coveting the site.

Yasmina added that this event was a test run, in her mind, to see if the site was capable of hosting a Known World Rapier Academy. Since Rochester has an airport and there are several restaurants and hotels near the site, she thinks it's possible to host this Society-level event. She also noted that several gentles mentioned ideas to use the Armory for a couple of different themed events: a combined rapier and scribal one, gold chain tournaments, rapier and heavy weapons, regional dance practices, combat archery, even equestrian.

Siggy added that a regional winter heavy practice would probably get a really good turnout, since there's so few places where you can do large melees indoors in the cold weather.

Crown Report

Fridrikr read Orianna's report: we had 279 attendants and a \$1,285.24 profit. Of that, \$642 will go to the kingdom, and \$642 will stay with us. Since those hosting kingdom events get to suggest

where the money should be used, they are recommending that the profit apply to the Silver Buccle's cost to attend Heralds and Scribes in



London.

Borders

The gift wrapping demos will be at the Victor store on Thursdays in December from 6 to 9 p.m. Please come in garb. Brianna has offered to play her harp one of the nights, and the dancers and drummers are interested in performing on the other two nights.

Fridrikr told gentles about Borders' Partner Appreciation Week, which will be from November 29 through December 5. If you are not a teacher and want a coupon that you are willing to forward to your friends at work, contact him and he will email it to you.

In related news, Fridrikr proudly announced that he was promoted today! He's now the area sales representative for the Henrietta & Victor Borders stores.

Coronation Bid

Peregrine reported that Nivah had prepared another bid for

hosting Coronation. Peregrine consulted with Caryl, the kingdom senechale, and confirmed that there is nothing wrong with a group offering two bids for Coronation. There's no limit since the Crown decides which of the various bids to select. Nivah could not be present at the meeting, so Peregrine presented it for her.

Nivah would be autocrat, and the event would occur on April 12 at Letchworth State Park. There are two heated buildings and one open pavilion, lots of parking, and the site is handicapped accessible. Horses would be allowed, and the normal parking fees would be waived since it would be before camping season starts in the park. The event would offer fighting, fencing, equestrian, archery, and coursing. There are accommodations nearby. Mairghread would be head cook for a sideboard lunch, Dom would be equestrian marshal, and Sorcha would be in charge of preregistration. Total site cost would be \$300, plus \$300 for lunch and another \$300 for portajohns and other costs. Fees would be \$8 for adults,

\$4 for minors, with 75 to 80 attendants needed to break even. Alcohol is permitted, so Nivah is talking to the brewers guild about offering alcohol.

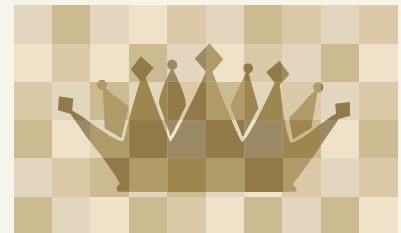
Fridrikr questioned the last item, noting that alcohol is allowed at state parks if attendants sign a permit. He doubted that the barony could or should sign a waiver for all attendants to drink, especially since Corpora disallows the SCA from serving alcohol at events. He also questioned the bid's numbers, saying that \$900 in costs would require more like 125 attendants to break even. He asked if the bid included any plans for a feast? Peregrine said the bid suggested a potluck dinner.

Several gentles raised concerns about the budget, the alcohol permit, the fact that the first-time autocrat did not have a mentor, using a park for an early April event without a real, warm, indoor hall, and that there was no formal dinner. Specifically, many were really worried about early April often still having snowstorms.

“Coronation is a fancy king-

dom event,” Steffan said. “It should have a full, formal feast, not a potluck.” Most agreed that the bid seemed more appropriate for a Pax or other outdoor martial event in the spring than a Coronation, and that the site would be great for Crown tourney a month later when it's somewhat warmer.

There was a motion to have Nivah address the concerns and vote on a revised bid online, but it failed for lack of support. Those present voted 13-3-0 against supporting the bid. Several commented that Nivah and her staff should be thanked for their time and effort in putting together the bid, but that it was not appropriate for that specific event at that time of year, and Peregrine said she would share that with Nivah when she called her.



THE SCORRE HEAVY WEAPONS TOURNAMENT COURT REPORT

November 10th, 2007

Being the Report of the Court of Their Excellencies, Eric and Katja, Baron and Baroness of Thescore, held on November 10, AS 42, at the Baronial Heavy Weapons Championships. THL Pleasance de Coignieres, Reporting Herald.

Their Excellencies took a moment to give hearty congratulations and tokens of appreciation to all the Fighters who took part in the days Tourney. Vivats to all who entered the competition!

Their Excellencies called forth Lord Marcus Vettius Decimus and named him Their Baronial HW Champion. Scroll by THL Pleasance De Coignieres. Vivats to our newest HW Baronial Champion!

Court of Their Excellencies was closed.

R A P I E R A C A D E M Y C O U R T R E P O R T

November 17th, 2007

Being the Report of the Court of Their Excellencies, Eric and Katja, Baron and Baroness of Thescorre, held on November 17, AS 42 , at the Rapier Academy. THL Pleasance de Coignieres, Reporting Herald.

Their Excellencies were given leave to conduct Their court from His Royal Highness, Khalek, Noyan.

Their Excellencies invited the Autocrat Dona Alessandra Bentivegna de Faenza called Yasmina to say a few words. The Autocrat thanked all who attended and helped make the event a success.

Their Excellencies invited the Dean of Classes Master Ian Muir to say a few words. Master Ian talked of the wonderful range of classes at the event and read the words of scrolls to be handed out to all those who taught classes that day. Teacher scrolls: Calligraphy by THL Pleasance de Coignieres, Illumination by Lady Collette de Paris upon wording by Dona Alessandra Bentivegna de Faenza called Yasmina.

His Excellency Eric sponsored a Tourney. The prize was an 11lb bar of very very good chocolate (my apologies I did not record the name of said choc.). The grand prize was awarded to Lord Benedict Fergus atte Mede. Which he later opened and shared with all. Tourney scroll, Calligraphy and Illumination by Lady Collette de Paris.

Her Excellency Katja sponsored a challenge.. she gave 2 specialty chocolates to 2 people (non-fencers) who would not normally attend a Rapier event. Lady Otelia d'Alsace and Lady Svana in Kyrra were the recipients of such fine chocolates.

There was a raffle of a custom made banner and bannerstand to benefit the scribes of AEthelmarc. \$73 dollars were raised and the winner was Her Grace Dorinda Courteney. Raffle ran by THL Roberta McMorland

U P C O M I N G E V E N T S

January 2008

- 12 - Kingdom Twelfth Night
- 19 - St. Swithin's Bog 12th Night
- 25 - Steltonwald Twelfth Night
- 26 - Heralds & Scribes Collegium
- 27 - Debatable Lands Twelfth Night

February - 2008

- 2 - Courtlandslot's A&S workshop
- 9 - Carnivale
- 9 - A Fool's Court in Myrkfaelinn
- 16 - Feast of the Seven Deadly Sins:
The Silk Road
- 22, 23, 24 - White Hart
- 23 - College of Three Ravens

March - 2008

- 1 - Stormsport's Winter Event
- 9 to 16 - Gulf Wars XVII
- 15 - Ice Dragon

April - 2008

- 26 - Palfreys and Polearms

May - 2008

- 2 to 4 - AEthelmarc Spring Crown Tourney
- 15 to 18 - AEthelmarc War Practice
- 23 to 25 - Mountain Confederation's Ladies
Event Shire of Abhainn Chiach Ghlais
- 30 to Jun 1 - Melee Madness

June - 2008

- 6 to 8 - Myrkfaelinn Summer War Practice
- 13 to 15 - Barony Wars III

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Youth Fighting Gabriel

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REGULARLY SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES

Fewmet endeavors to publish information as up to date as possible, but changes occur. Please check Thes-corre's Yahoo Group for last minute postings or consult with the appropriate officer/coordinator listed in

Baronial Social Meeting
1st Tuesday of the month

Baronial Business Meeting
3rd Tuesday of the month

7:30-9pm, 2nd floor, Adam's Street Recreation Center
85 Adam's Street Rochester, NY

Martial Arts

Archery
Sundays 1-2pm
RIT Archery Range

Rapier (Fencing)
Mondays 7-9pm
Adams Street Recreation Center

Armored Combat
Mondays 6:30-9pm
Adams Street Recreation Center

Thrown Weapons
Sundays 2:30pm & Thursdays 6:30pm
At the home of Timothy & Alison

Arts & Sciences

Western European Dance
2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month, 7-9pm
Adams Street Recreation Center

M.E. Dance & Drumming
Mondays 7-9pm
Adams Street Recreation Center

Cauldron Bleu Cook's Guild
2nd Tuesday each month, 7:30-9pm
At the home of Devon & Daedra

Brewer's Guild
Watch the Yahoo Group

Threadworker's Company
See Online Calender

Armor Workshop
Thursdays 5:30-?
At the home of Vettius

S O N N E T 9 7

by William Shakespeare



How like a winter hath my absence been
From thee, the pleasure of the fleeting year!
What freezings have I felt, what dark days seen!
What old December's bareness every where!
And yet this time removed was summer's time,
The teeming autumn, big with rich increase,
Bearing the wanton burden of the prime,
Like widow'd wombs after their lords' decease:
Yet this abundant issue seem'd to me
But hope of orphans and unfather'd fruit;
For summer and his pleasures wait on thee,
And, thou away, the very birds are mute;
Or, if they sing, 'tis with so dull a cheer
That leaves look pale, dreading the winter's near.

