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F R O M T H E B A R O N & B A R O N E S S

Of Pax and the Mathom

Pax Interrupta was an emotional event for us for several reasons, not the least of which because it was the last event our dear friend The Honorable Lady Katrina attended as a Thescorean. Many marvelous Thescoreans were lauded that day: Dom was inducted into the ORF, Sigvaldi joined the Black Talon, Bronwyn was named the new baronial A&S champ, Richard and Elzibeta received their AoAs, Vettius received a Sycamore, Olivia was inducted into the Fleur while Athos was inducted into the White Horn ... and Matilda became a Pelican! However, the event was notable for something else as well: everyone present at the wonderful feast knows that we were... honored... to receive the Mathom yet again. Several of you may be wondering about (fearing?) its whereabouts?

You should know, then, that upon observing several Thescoreans meandering down the hill for breakfast Sunday morning, Eric darted into a tent and kindly bequeathed the Relic of Sharing with a young couple. Immediately upon their joy at its discovery in their home ("Oh, you have GOT to be kidding me!"), the Mathom was tossed lovingly into another Thescorean's car. Greeting the gift with similar appreciation while packing ("I don't THINK so!"), the Mathom passed through at least two other hands in a matter of minutes until it rested with... Torsten.

Did our valiant archery champion quickly give the Mathom to another gentle? No, he stated instead that he would display it with pride upon his bar in his camp at Pennsic... which, from many sources (including himself) we've confirmed he, in fact, did do!



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Speaking of Pennsic...

We would like to thank those wonderful gentles who attended us at Opening Ceremonies: Thomas, Meadhbh, Sean, Octavia, and several other Romans. We would also like to thank all the Stonies who unpacked our car and set up our thrones for Thescore Court in Harstone Camp, and those gentles who retained for us and/or helped us set up/take down our thrones for AEthelmearc Court: Cedric, Peregrine, Artimus, Phelan, Mairead, Thomas, Eldjarn, Fridrikr, Orianna, and Meadhbh.

We thank the Shire of Hartstone for its hospitality for hosting our baronial court, and Newbridge for its continuing friendship. We congratulate Cedric for his decades of archery service (and don't do it again!). We welcome Phelan & Mairead into the ORF, and we personally gave Raven's Eggs to them and Eldjarn, Donal, and Devon for their support of the Great Yurt-Building Project. We also thank Meadhbh for representing Thescore again the 7 Pearls Bardic Competition.

Announcement

As we announced at Pennsic (and noted in the August business meeting notes), we have decided not to seek an extension of our term as baron & baroness. This was a very difficult decision that took us a long time to make, as we have been greatly honored and appreciative to serve Thes-

corre in this manner.

However, our modern lives are demanding more of our attention, so we felt we should not seek another term. We thank all those who have made our service possible so far, and we appreciate all those who will continue to help with what we hope to accomplish in our remaining year.

We look forward to a courteous election and energized heirs!

Fall Schedule

As stated at the August business meeting, we are considering attending the following events:

Shoote in the Wildwood (to support Torsten as baronial archery champ),

Summer's End (so Eric can enter the Morguhn tourney),

Fall Coronation (to swear fealty),

Harvest Raid,

Queen's Rapier Champs (again, so Eric can enter),

Known World Academy of the Rapier, and

Crown.

Katja is considering also going to Autumn Collegium.

These plans may change, depending upon the hecticness of our work schedules.

Eric & Katja

BARONY OF THESCORRE BUSINESS MEETING

8/18/2009 Thescorre Business Meeting

Adams Street Recreation Center

Eldjarn, Seneschal

14 Thescorreans present

1. Officer Reports

Exchequer: Alina reported that we have \$4,584.02 in checking and \$3,214.81 in savings. In the beginning of what was a theme for many of the officers present at the meeting, she said she attended the exchequers meeting at Pennsic (since she is both the baronial and regional exchequer). Few officers attended the meeting: "the only ones that showed up were the ones who were doing things right."

Herald: "Not much is going on," Fridrikr said, adding that there are only two names in process. He attended the heralds meeting at Pennsic and "we all knew each other's names." He plans to step down as Ravens Tongue Pursuivant at C3R and is actively looking for a replacement. Prospective court heralds should be able to read a scroll and maintain a stage presence. If they can also handle submissions, that would be great, but he noted that there are plenty of submissions heralds in this area. He added that he is not planning on attending Known World Heraldic Symposium this year.

Web: The August and September Fewmet issues will be combined.

A&S: Orianna went to the A&S officers meeting at Pennsic, which was attended by the kingdom, society, and several local seneschals. They didn't talk about much important, she said, perhaps because it was held at the same time as several classes and the Middle Eastern Dance Expo. She noted that many Thescorreans attended classes and some taught them. She asked that everyone who has class handouts bring them to the September social and "share what you learned at Pennsic."

Rattan: Sigvaldi had nothing new to report.

Rapier: Attendance has dropped again, Padraig reported. However, Leslie authorized in all forms of heavy rapier.

Thrown Weapons: Reporting for Athos, Siggy said there was nothing to report.

MOL: Reporting for Bronwyn, Siggy said there was nothing to report.

Archery: Since Cedric stepped down as of Pennsic, Peregrine had brought the loaner archery equipment in her car that evening. Eldjarn has agreed to fill the office until someone else can take over. (He is the only other active archery marshal in the barony right now.) He expects to continue practice on Sundays, although there may be cancelled practices due to his schedule.

Chatelaine: Peregrine attended the Known World Chatelaine meeting at Pennsic. She added that a mundane friend of hers is interested in coming to dance practice.

Gold Key: Nikki has created several flyers, brochures, and business cards; she has posted them to the Yahoo discussion group for feedback and plans on uploading them to the Thescorre website when finished. There was some discussion about possibly reformatting the brochures so they could be a bit easier to read, although several praised the quality of the photos. Siggie noted that the business card format is already online; Nikki clarified that she reformatted it and made it prettier. "This is a good choice of photos and is very cool!" Carlo commented. "Thanks for doing this!" Several agreed that having brochures would be incredibly helpful at future demos and practices.

Baron & Baroness: "We attended the landed baron & baroness meeting at Pennsic," Katja joked, referring to the 7 Pearls dinner. One of the main topics of discussion was how to support the various 7 Pearls tournaments since so many gentles are not attending events or traveling far out of their area due to the economy.

Katja attended several gentles' classes at Pennsic, such as Mairead's dance classes and Fridrikr's lecture on women in the sagas, and praised other Thescorrean teachers like Otelia, TW, Honnorica, Bryn, and Sadira (plus former Thescorreans Lavena, Vairavi, and Solveig). She also thanked Orianna for organizing the Aethelmearc gate guard shifts and all those Thescorreans who volunteered for various shifts at Pennsic. Eric and Thomas fought with the Romans & Hartstone in all five field battles on one day – he was very proud of them all.

Eric & Katja are considering attending the following events this fall: Shoote in the Wildwood (to support Torsten as baronial archery champ), Summer's End (so Eric can enter the Morguhn tourney), Fall Coronation (to swear fealty), Harvest Raid, Queen's Rapier Champs (again, so Eric can enter), Known World Academy of the Rapier, and Crown. Katja is considering also going to Autumn Collegium.

However, Katja emphasized, she may very well not be able to attend all or even several of those events, depending upon her work schedule demands. She noted that both she and Eric have not been very active recently due to dramatic changes in their jobs over the spring. In particular, she has been extremely busy training new employees as her company outsources its editorial operations to India.

Due to frequent stress and exhaustion – and the fact that she is expecting to begin working third shift (from home) in October so as to be at work the same time as the Indian employees – she and Eric announced in Thescorre Court at Pennsic that they are not seeking an extension to their term and expect to step down as baron & baroness at next Pax.

Seneschal: Eldjarn stated that the updated election information should be on the barony website soon, and he will open nominations for baron & baroness candidates at the October social meeting.

Since College of Three Ravens is now only six months away, he asked if anyone is thinking about autocratting the event... and soon?

Orianna attended the seneschals meeting at Pennsic, where she learned that the new Aethelmearc seneschal will be Baron William from the Hael. He served as kingdom seneschal of both the East and Atlantia previously, Fridrikr noted. The office will change at Crown.

She added that there is a new form on the kingdom website for background checks for warranted youth officers, and there was a brief discussion at the seneschal meeting about the SCA accommodating gentles with disabilities – such as offering large-print copies of feast ingredients and event brochures. She noted that the BoD has declared 2010 "the year of recruitment," and is en-



THE CHILDREN OF A KING IN THE MIDDLE AGES.

couraging groups to do things like volunteer to walk in cancer walks in garb.

Dance & Drum: “We had a phenomenal turnout this week: nine drummers and four dancers!” Mairead said. She took a lot of dance classes at Pennsic (and taught two: Persian dance and balancing things on your head), so she will be sharing lots of things at upcoming practices.

Court & Country Dance: “We return to regular practice next week,” Peregrine reminded, “So, start warming up for the big party at Twelfth Night!”

Brewers Guild: The brewers are planning a Brewing 101 class for an upcoming weekend, so please tell Sorcha if you’re interested and what date will work for you so she can coordinate.

2. Twelfth Night

The event will be on January 9 at St. Mary’s Ukrainian Church in Irondequoit, Fridrikr said. Alina has agreed to be reservation clerk, Bryn & Peregrine will be the cooks, and Peregrine in also in charge of dance. Bronwyn will be the hall steward and event deputy. Since he just found out that kingdom curia is scheduled to take place in Thescore the day after the event (but we don’t have the site reserved for two days), there was some discussion about Richard possibly offering his home as both crash space and AE Curia.

The current plan for the day is to open the hall at 9 a.m., hold kingdom court from 1:30 to 3:30 (he asked their excellencies to forego baronial court), feast from 4 to 6:30, and then dancing after dinner. The event theme is an old-fashioned masked ball, he said, and the A&S officers plan to offer mask-making supplies at upcoming social meetings. There was some discussion of Orianna and Phelan needing funds to buy blank masks and maskmaking materials, but no vote was decided. There will be three mask contests: one for best appearance, one for best mask using the colors of Aethelmearc, and one for K&Q’s choice.

Fridrikr added that he is seeking live musicians for the masked ball. No fighting, youth tournaments, fencing, or any other martial activity is planned, as it is intended to be a socializing event. He joked that any order meetings might be relegated to the broom closet! If it’s an old-time 12th Night, Katja suggested, could we have cloved fruit? Fridrikr readily agreed.

He will begin accepting reservations after Labor Day, and the announcement should be in the September AEstel. The site has a full bar, but no alcohol can be brought to the site.

Siggy asked whether there would be a corner for children’s activities, since children get very bored at purely social events.

Fridrikr noted that the event is expected to be one of Their Majesties’ Pilgrimage to Nobility events, wherein the Sycamores, Fleurs, and Laurels are being asked to demonstrate their arts to children. Katja noted that the barony has been without a chancellor minor for many years now, and with the number of young Thescoreans the need is extreme. She asked that someone please consider filling the job.

3. Pennsic

Eldjarn and Phelan served as land agents for the baronial encampment at Pennsic. At Thescore Court, Newbridge offered to handle the land negotiations in the future, and Eldjarn said they’ve agreed. Phelan noted that Vettius is considering camping with the barony and may be willing to help out as land agent site representative.

4. Miscellaneous

Boldo is on the ballot for Rochester mayor via the green party.

5. Miscellaneous

Phelan and Mairead suggested holding a small demo on their lawn during the next Corn Hill Arts Festival. Eric noted that demo attendees would likely have to park outside of Corn Hill and carpool or walk in, as the parking is insane during that festival. Peregrine said that she will coteach a nonSCA country dance series for grades six through 12 from September through November. She asked if anyone minded if she borrow the Barony’s boombox system for the Regency-style ball planned at the end of the class series, and she also asked to borrow some of the pitchers from the baronial steward supplies. No one present denied her requests.

Katherine said she and Kain plan to attend the Metalsmith Symposium on Sept. 11 and they have an open seat in the car. If anyone else would like to attend, please let them know!



Morguhn drapa inn Langferðamaðr

(Drapa for Morguhn the Long Road Walker)
Fridrikr inn gamli Tomasson

This is in **drottkeitt** with occasional lapses into **hattlaus** (a drottkeitt verse in which the internal rhyme scheme is not used). The poem is probably best termed a **shield-poem** (a poem which describes a picture that might have been painted on a shield), and is an **erfidrapa** (a multi-stanza poem with "stefs" or refrains interspersed, written as a memorial). It is in memory of His Grace, Morguhn Sheridan. The byname comes from the last peerage speech he made, at the time of Baroness Ekaterina Volkovna's elevation to the Pelican. He referred to the long road she had taken. I believe it fits him, as well

Morguhn drapa inn Langferðamaðr
(Drapa for Morguhn the Long Road Walker)

Met in boldest battle
Better sword not yet found
Great duke merry mighty
Morguhns qnd ofar lqndum

Saw I flame haired fighter
Field stand never yielding
Brash youth green clad granted
Great knights swift deaths eight-fold
Fought from dawn til dark fall
Dragon tors'd fed corse hawks
Conquered Manfred mighty
Made Rowan his first queen

Saw I fiercesome fighters
forty seeking glory
Grass clad Morguhn mighty
Mowed down those who stood there
Met there turquoise tyger
Tribesman Randall gliding
Shadows minion stalwart
Stood til Morguhn slew him

Laughter rang out loudly
Light heart sang in bright eyes
Keep his memory mighty
Morguhns qnd ofar lqndum

Saw I Dragon's doomsman
Delve lords guide to Hel's door
Crossing river's rock span
that roaring Calon horde kept
Four great giants joined there
Jarred loose rock-scarred foeman
Charging woeful warriors
Wedge from rock's edge threw them.

Saw I Pennsic pastures
Potent Gavin great king
Brought his knights to kneel there

Noble Morguhn summoned
Round his waist the white belt
Wedded spurs to high boots
Chain of gold was given
Green clad lord thus knighted

Saw I lord of leaf'd round
Longed to hear the swan's song
Soaring heaven highward
Hied to tourney's violence.
Verdant Morguhn met there
Mighty western belt-lord
Ronald's head was hewn there
High born Morguhn won crown.

Met in boldest battle
Better sword not yet found
Great duke merry mighty
Morguhns qnd ofar lqndum

Saw I realm made royal
Ruled by Princes truly
Leaf clad leaf lord led them
Loved by clear-voiced Meirwen
Four times stood he stalwart
Staid by none nor laid low
Fairly reigned by right hand
Ring lord by his prowess

Saw I oak-strong Aethling
Evil's eye struck death blow
Stood the berry browed lord
Brave til battles ending
Long road walker wanders
Whither no wight follows
We go to join his journey
Gentle Morguhn leads us

Laughter rang out loudly
Light heart sang in bright eyes
Keep his memory mighty
Morguhns qnd ofar lqndum

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

September 4 - 7

Shoote in the Wildewood

Barony of Delftwood (Elbridge NY)

September 4 - 6

Known World Heraldic and Scribal Symposium

Kingdom of Calontir (Omaha, NE)

September 11 - 13

Battle of Misty Highlands

Shire of Misty Highlands (Pentress, WV)

September 12

Summer's End

Canton of Beau Fleuve (Niagara Falls, NY)

September 12

Bards and Bows

Shire of Sterlynge Vayle (Deposit, NY)

September 19

Coronation of Henri & Elena

Shire of Stormsport (Erie, PA)

September 25 - 27

Harvest Raid

Shire of Heronter (Bemus Point, NY)

September 25 - 27

Siege of Glengary

Shire of Sylvan Glen (Kearnyville, WV)

September 26

Archers to the Wald

Canton of Steltonwald (New Brighton PA)

September 26

Battlements and Berserkers II

Shire of Wyntersett (Black River, New York)

October 3

Demo: Penn Dixie Scareassic Park

Barony of Rhydderich Hael (Hamburg, New York)

October 3

Queens Rapier Champions

Shire of Sunderoak (Slippery Rock, PA)

October 9 - 11

Known World Academy of the Rapier and Known World Costume Symposium

Kingdom of the East (Philadelphia, PA)

October 10

Hunter's Moon

Shire of Hartstone (Angelica, New York)

October 17

Æthelmearc Fall Crown Tourney

Shire of Coppertree (Little Falls NY)

October 24

Autumn Collegium

Canton of Beau Fleuve (Lyndonville, NY)

October 24

Agincourt

Barony-Marche of Debatable Lands (Wexford, PA)

October 31

Æthelmearc AAcademy

Shire of Sylvan Glen (Shepherdstown, WV)

November 7

6th Annual Wicker Man Festival

Barony of Blackstone Mountain (Cottageville, WV)

November 7

Baronial Investiture and Fasching

Barony of Endless Hills (Clarks Summit, PA)

November 14

Hallowtide

Shire of Blackwater

November 14

Vikings on the River

Shire of Riversedge (Cochranton, PA)

November 20 - 22

Fiber, Fabric and Fighting VII

Shire of Nithgaard (Lamar, PA)

December 5

Masked Ball

Barony of Rhydderich Hael (Williamsville, NY)

January 9

Kingdom Twelfth Night

Barony of Thescorre (Rochester, NY)

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REGULARLY SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES

Fewmet endeavors to publish information as up to date as possible, but changes occur. Please check Thescore'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, + 1st & 4th Wed. of each month
Adams Street Recreation Center

Armored Combat

Thursdays 6:30-9pm
Adams Street Recreation Center

Thrown Weapons

Watch the Yahoo Group
At the home of Athos

Arts & Sciences

Western European Dance

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

M.E. Dance & Drumming

Mondays 7-?pm
The home of Dehka & Vettius

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

http://www.thescore.org/Threadworkers_Company/Threadworkers/Schedule.htm

Ravensong

www.thescore.org/Ravensong/RavensongHome.html

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by William Shakespeare



Say that thou didst forsake me for some fault,
And I will comment upon that offence,
Speak of my lameness, and I straight will halt:
Against thy reasons making no defence.
Thou canst not (love) disgrace me half so ill,
To set a form upon desired change,
As I'll my self disgrace, knowing thy will,
I will acquaintance strangle and look strange:
Be absent from thy walks and in my tongue,
Thy sweet beloved name no more shall dwell,
Lest I (too much profane) should do it wrong:
And haply of our old acquaintance tell.
For thee, against my self I'll vow debate,
For I must ne'er love him whom thou dost hate.



Shakespeare