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Mantra for Three Saints and A Coronation: It will be 72 and sunny, the baby will leave in the same condition it arrived and the hog will turn out great. Repeat as needed to help ensure those conditions!

Spring Call-out Held at Fighter Practice Feb. 16



A few new faces were seen at Fighter Practice at the Purdue Armory on Wednesday, February 16th. The

Rivenstar Cooks Get Ready for the Feast of Three Saints



After a brainstorming session and several feast tastings, the Rivenstar cooks have established a Viking menu for Three Saints. The first tast-

ing was on Sunday, February 6th. Among the items that were tested was a salmon quiche and a salmon



and spinach quiche along with salmon in puff pastry. There was a lamb and barley stew. (continued on Page 7)

student organization or Purdue



Medieval Society along with the Barony of Rivenstar held a club call-out to entice more students to join us. (continued on Page 7)

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Regular Weekly Activities Info

Mondays

7:00 pm - Madrigal Choir Rehearsal

8:00 pm - Baronial Business Meetings

Held in the PMU Terrace Room or Stewart Center
See Baronial Calendar back page of this issue.

Tuesdays

Archery Practice - Currently on Hiatus

Wednesdays

8:00 pm - Heavy and Rapier Fighter Practice

Held at the Purdue Armory on Campus

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Sundays

Noon to 3:00 PM— Dance Practice

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More Activities!

Equestrian Practices start in the Spring, weather permitting, and are usually held twice a month on Sunday afternoons from 1-4 pm.

Drum Practices will be held on either Tuesday or Thursday evenings at the Morton Community Center. Check the Rivenstar website and email list for updates.

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Business Meeting Minutes:

Monday, Jan 24, 2011

Event Reports: Ceilia went to 12th Night near Chicago. She sat with the Brewer's Guild and had a great time. Pieter and Amalie represented Rivenstar at the After 12th Night. Fencing was great fun, both intense and challenging. Josie represented Rivenstar in Batavia of the East Kingdom. A couple of people remembered Pieter and sent regards. She had a lot of fun killing and being killed. Pieter, Janusz and Amalie reported on Maidens. There was a schtik set up and played out on the populace. It was a good time. There was fencing and other less interesting activities according to Pieter. Fencing started with an Authorizing Tournament for re-auths that expired on Dec 31. Then a Novice Tourney followed. Next came a Pool Tourney of 3 pools with a dozen fencers each. One Adam MacAoidh was in the finals as was Vindis. There was lots of fighting, a choir somewhere, spinning class and at Court, Mistress Alphina got a White Lance (rare equestrian award in A&S). Pieter came home with 2 confirmed attendees to the Rivenstar Equestrian event in July; one to teach and one to learn. All the Thieves were awarded the Dragon's Flight (group archery award).

Officer Reports: Herald—no report but let Janusz know if you have gotten any awards and “oh yes” there will be royalty at our event. It might be a good time to recommend people for long overdue awards. Even if you don't know if a person has an award or not, recommend them anyway.

Baroness—Takaya said she is happy to see everyone again, it has been a long time! She seconds the recommendation of Janusz to recommend people for awards.

Baron—It IS good to be back, even though he and Francoise got a lot done at home.

A&S—Olwen's report is in.

Student Org.—We exist. Do we want a call out for second semester? We'll need 2 weeks advance notice to inform the University. OK, we'll plan one for 3 weeks from Wed. Summer and Fall meeting schedule requests are in. One thing to

Note is that meetings can be separate from choir practice if logistics become too confusing.

HS Org.—planning to build a trebuchet or catapult—we are looking for plans if anyone has some available. (Several people offered ideas at this point and Pieter offered up some used lumber.)

Chronicler—New issue (Jan) came out today. Eirinn plans to digitize the RivenSTAR for a class project if it is possible.

Madrigals—We had a crowd this evening, stretching on three sides of the room. Adam, Arrantxa and Josie came to sing forth with us.

Beaver report—You'd think this small furry mammal would go into his den for the winter, but NO, he's been seen 3 times since Christmas.

Current Business: Feast of Three Saints Planning—Fighting is pretty much nailed down because the Prince knows what he wants. There will be the Kingdom rapier Championship Tournament and at least one Kingdom melee practice. There will be a heavy melee practice as well. Cooks—TRH don't much like sweet or sugary meat dishes and are not too big on veggies. Russian Cream is OK though. So it looks like a typical Rivenstar feast—heavy on the meats. Are any of the hunters planning to donate venison? His Highness Arch would like something useful as a site token, something that can be reused. Maybe glass beads that could become part of a necklace? Decision was made to make the feast ticket \$10 for now subject to change once the menu is set.

**Monday, February 7, 2011**

Event Reports: Wulf, 'Coise and Takaya reported on Better War. There was a remote control balloon bust. Balloons were attached to radio control cars. The cars were controlled by the other team and archers had to hit the balloons. They said it was hilarious. There was a new Laurel elevated at Court for cooking. Josie went to Market Day in the East Kingdom. Papa Day said he'd be at Three Saints. We had our first Feast Tasting.

Officer Reports: Baroness—Just feast stuff for later.

Chatelaine—Rocky has been snowed in until now. If you need garb call her.

Baron—Wulf was approached by HRH Runa for 2 things at Coronation. She would like: 1. a contest for kids to name the dragon puppet and 2. she's like us to hold the Kingdom Rapier Championship (we'd already had that on the agenda.)

Exchequer—the fairgrounds got out checks for the event.

A&S—Olwen said there are new rules for A&S faires. One new rule is that “face to face” is the default, you have to be there. She'll forward the rest of the info to the list. RUM is April 2 in Greyhope—good A&S there.

Student Org.—Callout will be on Wed. Feb 16th. Flyers are out now. Heather and Katya have helped to put them out so far. Is anyone else willing to help but up flyers, contact Briana. She'd like dance, madrigals, people in garb and shinys there please. She also notes that we need a better retention method. She'll email the list to let everyone know about call-out.

Chronicler—nothing to report

Herald—nothing to report but Pennsic is in 6 months. Get your plans made and we need to be thinking about major projects.

Madrigals—Singing along melodically. Side note: Throwdown is tomorrow in Sternfeld.

Pieter volunteered to drive.

Beaver report—After laying his foundations for a summer home across the pond, he seems to have abandoned the project. However a couple of trees are ready to fall; big cottonwoods. It may be dramatic.

Current Business: The Fairgrounds site—we have all the buildings we wanted on Friday except the Home Ec Building which has an event in it until 5 PM. We will more than likely be able to have it after 5PM. Plans for Court and opening: possibly open at 9 with morning court at 10? Still looking for youth fighting marshals. Regional A&S will be in the sheep barns. We'll use the Hog Barn for Tourney overflow in inclement weather. The Coliseum will be for fighting. Merchants depending on the weather will either be in the circle or the sheep barn.

(There may be a 4H group in a small building to the east of the Home Ec bldg.) We need to make sure that people know that these “barns” are cleaned and the floors are cement. A&S will probably be in the second half of the Home Ec building. We'll tell the merchants that they should prepare to be outside but indoor space may be available. The Coliseum will most likely be used for Court only. Kiltigern may cast something in pewter a combined rune for TRHs. We need site token ideas—HRH Arch wants it to be useful and something that others may keep. What about a sword made out of double headed nails that Wulf made at the Feast of the Hunter's Moon? It looks like a GI Joe Viking Sword. Pieter's idea of caltrops was rejected outright. Maybe a small spoon with runes on it? Or a leather circle with the rune stamped on it.

Feast Tasting Report: There was a brainstorming session a few weeks ago and Anton and Kuntz from White Waters know how to roast a hog so that will be our main dish. They will have to stay at the fairground overnight to feed the charcoal and roast the hog. Other items from feast tasting: bacon bread, herring in yogurt, roast pork with 3 different sauces, a lamb and barley dish, beans and greens, salmon quiche, berry crumble and oat bread. We have a tentative menu but will have another feast tasting on Feb 20th at 6PM at Huis Doorn. We will be testing some new dishes and retesting some others. Need tasters and their opinions to attend. Lunch Tavern—we are looking at something really simple because there is a wide variety of fast food locally available at the site.



Monday, February 14, 2011 Happy Valentine's Day!

Event Reports: Pieter learned it is hard to be a slob in the SCA at Val Day. Court was lovely; a Laurel was elevated for Slavic and Polish studies. There was a very interesting fencing tournament with a random set of 5 against another random 5 fencers. At one time it was Pieter and “his Babes” who smoked their opponents but then when Pieter

fought along with 4 Warders, they were smoked. Katya did some sewing and shopped. Adam noted that our Event flyers were distributed there as well. **Officer Reports:** Herald—Janusz offered up some children's books that were withdrawn for the library, free for the taking. Recommend people for awards—go on, make Janusz's life complicated! Chatelaine—garb is available if you need it. Rocky will not be able to make call-out on Wed. She also offered up a VIP pass waiving the non-member surcharge for 3 events to be given to new members. Also, if you are interested in thrummed mittens, see Rocky on how to make them. Remember scrolls are needed if you are a scribe or illuminator.

Baroness—nothing to report.

Student Org.—Call out for spring semester is this Wed. Briana will send an email reminder to the list. She printed two flyers to pass out to students with activities to circle that they'd like to do. Amalie, Leonie and Briana put their heads together to come up with the activities and plan to do them.

Baron—Ditto on the call out. A former Barony member Ben Hatke made the paper on Sunday for the release of his first graphic novel.

A&S—not much to report

Chirurgion—There will be no baby catching by Dani at the event. HRH Runa will be bringing her own midwife. Dani will be in the kitchen (at least that is her plan.)

Chronicler—nothing this week

Equestrian—thinking ahead to the equestrian event in July. He has insurance and will be doing the paperwork for practices from March 1 through the fall. Beginning beginners are welcome to start early to learn grooming etc.

Madrigals— we are progressing nicely. We are going to try for the regional competition with a skeleton crew so that we can go to kingdom (since many of the madrigals will be busy in the kitchen)

Beaver Report—no more sightings

Current Business: Event planning—The site tokens will be spoons and they will be modified to denote feast tokens as well. There will be another Feast Tasting at 6 PM on Sunday the 20th at Huis Doorn. We need a jobs list to pass around. Since there is

no automatic dish washing, we will need several dishwashers on the jobs list. Do we want a hawk demo like last year? Perhaps, it depends on conditions. Maybe not this year with so much else going on, or maybe at the equestrian symposium at Huis Doorn. We need to plan a Royalty lunch. Perhaps the Lunch Tavern could help. We need a local Royalty Liaison for each set of Royals to communicate through Their Chamberlains. Any volunteers? Maybe we need to assign teams to clean up each building as we are finished with them and then they can be locked down. This will get us out sooner.



Monday, February 21, 2011

Event Reports: none

Officer Reports: Baroness—nothing to report

Chirurgion—everyone is still alive

Baron—send in a recommendation for awards and please copy Wulf and Takaya on any that you do send. Make work for Janusz.

A&S—New A&S faire rules. Every has to pre-register for regional A&S competition. The on-line pre-reg is supposed to go live this Saturday.

Herald—Ditto Their Excellencies. Making some new silk banners for use at Coronation and at Pennsic was discussed. He was asking for a dispersment of funds for a Kingdom and Baronial banner. Decided to work on the kingdom one first and make it to match our extant baronial banner.

Student Org.—we have 2+ new students from call-out who look like they will stay. Poke wulf for heavy needs and basic loaner gear kits for both sides, heavy and rapier. What do we need? We have student org funds that can be used for these.

Chronicler—send stuff to Marian

HS Student Org—plans to make a trebuchet sound good, Peter the Red was told to try trebuchet.com for plans.

Pieter—It is Briana's 21st Birthday today. We all sang.

Madrigals—progressing toward the spring performance.

Equestrian—Pieter reports another reservation for the equestrian symposium in July, this one from

Pittsburgh.

Beaver Report—no sightings but he is going to town on the trees.

Current Business: The Seneschal is passing around a list o'needful things for Three Saints. Be sure to sign up for something. Leonie has been in contact with Their Majesties Chamberlains. We still need youth fighting marshals for both sides. She has a line on someone for rapier but not for heavy so if someone could drop a line to get this moving, it would be great. Also need someone for running the youth naming of the dragon puppet contest. She is looking for hotels to get a block rate. Feast Tasting part 2 was Sunday. The Feast menu is pretty well set and now we have to look at the inventory of dishes to see how the courses may be accomplished. We still need a court liaison for the royalty. Katya volunteered. Decision was made to ask for a hawk demo at the equestrian event rather than at Three Saints.



Monday, February 28, 2011

Event Reports: Pieter fenced in Kentucky at Candlemas in Dragon's Mark. The heavies had an unbelts tournament. There were two fencing tournaments. One was for the Oaken Regional rapier championship and Warder Colin McNish won for the 7th time. Nan got a really cool dagger. Pieter said it was the most lethal weapon he'd ever held. It was a Roman dagger. Pieter had his head handed to him by a young Jean Jacques.

Officer Reports: Herald—no report but Janusz showed an example of the Baronial silken banner that we want to match with new banners.

Baroness—Takaya would like a new directory of members. To that end we passed around a sheet for people to offer up contact information. Also remember to send recommendations to Takaya and Wulf.

Baron—repeat of the Baroness's request for recommendations

Student Org.—we exist (new round of humans vs. zombies coming up)

Chronicler—nothing to report, issue next week

Madrigals—coming along nicely. Pieter entered the group in the regional A&S competition Equestrian—There was a post to the list from Gwendolyn from near Fort Wayne who would like to plan a large SCA event in her backyard.

A&S—glad to hear the pre-reg system is up and hopefully running smoothly.

Seneschal—Three Saints stuff

Current Business: Three Saints—Leonie contacted several hotels and can't get block rates unless she can tell them how many rooms will be needed. But she recommends using Campus Inns and Suites and the Hilton Garden Inn because they are close to each other and represent different price points.

Both hotels indicated that this time frame would be ok. We need to get the website updated ASAP.

Amalie will help Arrantxa with that this week. We need to nail down the Court times. Leonie will try to communicate with Their Majesties and Their Highnesses directly.

We are predicting that morning court will be 9:30 or 10 and evening court will be either 4:30 or 5 but we have to know when it will end to plan the feast start time.

We are aiming for feast to start at 6:30. There will be a silent benefit auction to aid John ap Wynne and his wife. Leonie has been in contact with the good gentle who will run it. We now need donations. The website needs to be updated to include this event.

As Always—YOU can help your
struggling chronicler by sending
photos, stories, drawings, jokes, poems,
in short
ANYTHING
to Marian at
miller41@purdue.edu

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Feast Menu (continued from Page 1)

Other dishes tried were beans and greens, along with Finnish Herring, oat cakes, bacon bread, mixed berry crumble (which got rave reviews) and pork with

several mustard based sauces. The second feast tasting was held on Feb. 20 also at



other dishes were brand new. The second feast tasting featured Chicken in Ale,



ful addition was shortbread to die for. Some dishes were rejected the best were kept. YUM!



Huis Doorn. Some of the recipes from the first tasting were tweaked and evaluated while



“apple snot” and Russian Cream with our now famous, blackberry orange sauce, plus more sauces for the roast pork.

Another wonder-

Spring Call-out (continued from Page 1)

A good showing of Barony members and students were on hand to welcome interested students. The madrigal choir sang several rounds, there were rapier and heavy demonstrations as well as lots of



good craft examples from chainmail to calligraphy, and from spinning to embroidery. Briana, the student org. president reported that at least two people showed for the student org. meeting the next Sunday afternoon.



Proposed Feast Menu

Cheeses by Waltrudes
Bacon Bread, Radish Relish, Finnish Herring
Variety Breads with Honey Butter

Chicken in Ale with Carmelized Onions
Roast Roots, Dark Bread

Mixed Berry Crumble

Lamb and Barley Stew with Vegetables

Viking Kibble

Roast Pig with Sauces
Bread and Rolls
Fried Apples with Spices

Russian Cream with
Blackberry Orange Sauce
Shortbreads

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Armored practice at Purdue Armory 8 – 10	3	4	5
6 Dance 3–5 STEW 306	7 Madrigals (7) & Business mtg. (8) STEW 204	8	9 Armored practice at Purdue Armory 8 – 10	10	11	12
13 Dance 3–5 STEW 306	14 Madrigals (7) & Business mtg. (8) STEW 204	15	16 Armored practice at Purdue Armory 8 – 10	17	18	19
20 Dance 3–5 South Tower	21 Madrigals (7) & Business mtg. (8) STEW 204	22	23 Armored practice at Purdue Armory 8 – 10	24	25	26
27 Dance 3–5 South Tower	28 Madrigals (7) & Business mtg. (8) STEW 204	29	30 Armored practice at Purdue Armory 8 – 10	31	April 1 April Fool's Day	April 2

April 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
3	4 Madrigals (7) & Business mtg. (8) STEW 204	5	6 Armored practice at Purdue Armory 8 – 10	7	8	9
10 Dance 3–5 STEW 306	11 Madrigals (7) & Business mtg. (8) STEW 204	12	13 Armored practice at Purdue Armory 8 – 10	14	15 Feast Prep! Pitch in to help!	16 Three Saints and a Coronation
17 Dance 3–5 STEW 306	18 Madrigals (7) & Business mtg. (8) STEW 204	19	20 Armored practice at Purdue Armory 8 – 10	21	22 Good Friday	23
24 Dance 3–5 STEW 306 (Easter Sunday)	25 Madrigals (7) & Business mtg. (8) STEW 204	26	27 Armored practice at Purdue Armory 8 – 10	28	29	30
May 1 Dance 3–5 moved to Fish Bowl PMU 118	2 Madrigals (7) & Business mtg. (8) STEW 307	May 3	May 4 Armored practice at Purdue Armory 8 – 10	May 5	May 6	May 7