



# The RivenSTAR

*Monthly*

## Small Feast Tasting Held March 6th at Olwen and Emil's House

Moonwulf, Francoise, Takaya and Marian gathered at the home of Olwen of Buckland; Rivenstar's Arts and Sciences Officer and chief cook for Three Saints and her husband Emil Allzuvisender to taste various home brews on Sunday evening March 6th. The cooks needed to nail down which home brewed ale to use for the Chicken in Ale recipe. Olwen graciously provided some chicken cooked with different brews and some side dishes so that all who came had a lovely dinner. Serving a drink made of black current juice at the Feast of Three Saints was also discussed and various mixtures of black current juice cut with water and added sugar were tried. Black current juice is very close to Lingonberry in look and taste. Lingonberries would

*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!*

have been available in Viking homeland climates. In the end however, the idea was quashed due to the price of the black current juice and it was decided to stay with the standard beverage offerings of lemonade, iced tea and water.

The Feast of Three Saints and a Coronation would not be possible with all the forethought and planning that goes into its preparation. Feast Tastings and those who host and participate in them are an essential part in having a successful event as are the volunteers who make it all happen on the day of the event. This year, the lack of a commercial dishwasher will be a big challenge to the kitchen staff. Please remember to volunteer at anytime throughout the day to help, even for a short time.



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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  
 Contact: Leonie (Leonie Leduc)  
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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, March 7, 2011

**Event Reports:** Janusz and Amalie helped with a demo in Sternfeld for 4th graders. There were four fencers and four heavies and a bunch of bloodthirsty kids! Many thanks to them for representing Rivenstar at this demo and for helping out a neighbor. Pieter reported a small but potent fencing list at Ceileidh last weekend. There were three tournaments, two of which were a dice tourney and a round robin. Nan got a new dagger from the round robin tourney (courtesy of Pieter winning said tourney of course).

**Officer Reports:** The Herald, Baroness and Baron all had nothing to report (other than event stuff).

A&S—remember to pre-register all A&S entries for the regional A&S competition. Pre-reg. closes the Sat of the week before the event. Also, volunteer to judge at the A&S competition if you are able.

Exchequer—we have money.

Student Org.—We have students. Briana contacted MARS (the medieval and renaissance society) and has tentatively scheduled something for Valentine's Day 2012. Paul White, head of MARS is really interested in someone who knows how to dance and sing. Briana is also signing us up for BGR and Maria (Treas. Purdue Medieval Society) wrote the check today.

Chatelaine—If you need garb call Rocky. Also, Rocky put out a call to all calligraphers and illuminators that blanks are needed for scrolls.

Chronicler—March issue of the RivenSTAR is out today. Send items of interest to Marian.

Madrigals—Singing is coming along quite nicely. It will be a credible performance.

Beaver Report—the beaver is alive, end of report. By the way, an unofficial vote was taken and he was unanimously named Justin Beaver.

**Current Business**—Nan is passing around a card for Patti R. for all to sign. She has also started a gift basket and anyone who wants to contribute is welcome to do so. Remember she is a 12 year old and really bored right now. She loves cats and facebook but no Justin Bieber though. The goal is

to give her something new to open daily. She's not on a special diet so snacks are ok.

Three Saints—The website has been updated. We now have an event schedule. We are still looking for a youth marshal. Wulf emailed the regional Earl Marshal because he tried calling the Regional Youth Marshal and the number was disconnected. He will help work on Wulf's request. Leonie also asked Moira and Torquil. Question: Will Corwin be Marshal in Charge? Leonie said yes, and that we will get some help from Kriegstrom. Signs—Wulf noticed that his name is the only one on the task right now. Wondering if we need more signs as some that we have are in pretty rough shape. Discussed where signs were needed and if we need more. We decided that we may want to construct more signs after the event but that what we have now is okay. Site tokens are spoons and Janusz is drilling holes in the handles so they can be strung. HRH Arch has requested specific tournaments. There will be a speed tournament in which first loss of limb means elimination. Leonie is going to ask the fairgrounds people if we can spray a circle to mark tournament boundaries. It would be safer than the suggested painters tarp. Sigulf suggested that the tarp might be good because it is not slick like the concrete so you know where you are by feel. (Some other suggestions were perhaps to outline the area in simulated hogs blood or intestines—yea, they'd be able to feel it but eeeuwwww!) 'Coise asked if the site was slightly damp and the answer is no. So any brewing and vinting entries must be judged off-site. Amalie offered that if anyone else has any fixes or updates to the website that they email them to her and she will get with Arrantxa to make the changes. Sigulf reported that there are currently seven merchants lined up. There was some talk of a benefit for Savarico who had a house fire. Rocky reported that there is a commercial kitchen available for rent by the day or week on Main Street in Lafayette. So if we needed it, that was a possibility. But the cooks have designed the menu to be able to produce the feast with available equipment. The cooks do need all available roasters in the Barony so please volunteer to bring yours if you have one. There was a

small Feast tasting yesterday and some recipes are being tweaked. Rocky said that she has a number of pocket lizards and felt balls that she may sell at the lunch tavern with the proceeds going to help Patti R. (Some discussion ensued—we'd like to do a fundraiser for Patti but not at this event because we need more time to organize and advertise it.)

Last thoughts—Nan's husband (that would be Pieter but he says that he is quoted too often in the RivenSTAR so the Chronicler is circumventing the use of his name) indicated (notice the absence of the word said) that Gwendolyn, who is planning to host an equestrian event at her home on the 1st weekend of October, has the backing of her Shire. Rivenstar equestrians will help her as well. Throwdown in Sternfeld is tomorrow. Meet at Huis Doorn at 5:30.



**Monday, March 14, 2011**

**Event Reports:** 'Coise reported that she and Marian went shopping for material for garb for the growing boy (Peter the Red).

**Officer Reports:** Herald—nothing  
 Chatelaine—If you need garb see Rocky. Please make prior arrangements if the garb that is needed is an odd size.

Adam—who will be MIC for the Event—no practice here this week because of Spring Break but you can go to Sternfeld tomorrow!

Baron—just event stuff

Exchequer—all is going well. Giuliana has a \$19 gift card for Gordon's Food Service and a \$5 coupon that she offered up to the cook group for the event.

Chirurgion—everyone is still alive

Baroness—You still have 2 days left to make award recommendations!

Chronicler—nothing to report

Madrigals—we are singing irresistibly

Equestrian—Gwen enlisted the help of Shadowed Stars for her planned October event. Nan reported that our equestrian team will be starting to practice

Beaver report—Justin was sighted last night alive and swimming.

**Current Business:** Leonie was in contact with the fairgrounds people and asked about chalk circles and tent stakes. They will get back to her. They want to know what time we would like to start set-up on Friday. (Basically when we want them there to unlock buildings.) Loading trailers at Nan and Pieter's on Thurs. night was discussed. We probably won't start set-up before 3 PM. Pieter volunteered hay bales for lists and the offer was warmly received. Leonie asked if we could supply the prize for the Youth Tourney. Several people smiled and offered up items. (Nothing like a little Spring Cleaning!) Dani asked about water bearing; is someone in charge? The Barony does have several water coolers. Wulf asked if we need radios. It is not a very large site and Katya volunteered her two girls as runners. It was decided that we would all carry cell phones. Therefore, if you want your cell phone number on a list for contact purposes at the event, please contact Marian Hryhorcova who is making up the list to be laminated. Sigulf notes that 2 more merchants signed up today bringing the total to 11 so far. At least two of them want to be inside no matter the weather. They will be in the sheep barn with the silent auction and the "Name the Dragon Puppet" contest. Rocky said that the picnic shelter looked big enough for lunch. Leonie will ask about the wood burning fireplace at the picnic shelter. We will need to load out all the cook gear from Dani's on Friday. We must make arrangements beforehand.



**Monday, March 21, 2011**

*Special thanks to Amalie of Darkhorse who acted as Seneschal and Peter the Red who acted as Chronicler while both Leonie and Marian were out of town.*

**Event Reports:** none

**Officer Reports:** Chatelaine—Rocky will be at the Armory practice with garb the Wed before Three Saints (4/13).

Baroness—Volunteer! We need more volunteers for Feast; especially dishwashers.

A&S—Don't forget to pre-register any entries for the Regional A&S competition and for judging (no doing both).

Exchequer—We have money. No Feast reservations yet. Site fee is \$8 and Feast is \$12. Total and nice neat \$20.

Baron—We have signs for feast.

Herald—Nothing to report but you can register for Pennsic

Student Org.—We exist. May have a T-tunic day to make garb for Feast.

Madrigals—Nan speaking for Pieter who is also out of town. We are singing next week.

Equestrian—work is being done around the property to get an early start on prep for the Rivenstar Equestrian Even in July.

Beaver—no sightings (maybe Justin was out of town too?)

Current Business: The picnic shelter at the end of the fairground may be useable for lunch, depending on electric needs. Sigulf reported that there are now a dozen merchants. Wulf may invite the Purdue juggling club to come by.



### Monday, March 28, 2011

**Event Reports:** It was Pieter's Warder Week. He reported that at least twelve Warders stuck him mercilessly in both Chicago and Sternfeld. Katya went to see Medieval manuscripts at IU. She highly recommends it for any calligraphers and illuminators. Several people saw Spamalot this weekend: Nan, Godfrey and his lady, as well as Marian, Peter, Briana and Tom.

**Officer Reports:** Herald—Janusz has a report due in 3 days and it will be blank.

Rapier—Adam reported practice as usual back on Wed.

Baroness—nothing to report

Chatelaine—Gold Key will be at armored practice on April 13th if you need garb for Three Saints

Baron—We may have some jugglers for the Event. Also, Wulf received a photo of the new baby Good in the mail. Dad, Pete is a former Barony member.

Exchequer—it is still very quiet in the reservations area but that will change soon.

A&S—Spring RUM is Saturday and only 90 miles away. Don't forget to pre-reg. for Regional A&S Student Org.—we exist and will continue to do so.

Chronicler—Don't forget to give Marian your cell phone number to be put on a contact card for the day of the event. Cell phones will be used in lieu of radios. April issue of the RivenSTAR will be out next Mon.

Madrigals—Pieter realized that he is not nearly as clever as he thought. We are in discord because of his brilliance but that will soon be fixed.

Equestrian—Dani will autocrat the RivenSTAR equestrian collegium in July. Grounds keeping activity has already started for the event as some underbrush was cleared from Takaya's grove where they are planning to put picket lines and in the Huis Doorn Arboretum as well.

Beaver Report—There is a mini beaver! Actually Justin has a new friend, a muskrat. Pieter may have thrown a challenge to the fates as he said that the muskrat will not be able to dig through his dam. We'll see..... Stay tuned.

Chirurgeon—Dani has been assured that there will be no baby at the Coronation. And she's sticking to it.

**Current Business:** Looking ahead to the equestrian event, Dani will be the chirurgeon on cite. Meals were also discussed, make the food simple and easy this time. Marian hid behind her hand as eyes turned to her because she has a prior engagement and will not be able to do the food for this event. Three Saints—Leonie was asked (by people higher in the Kingdom) to have Sigulf remind the merchants that Chinese Throwing Stars are illegal in the State of Indiana. She was able to site the exact statute which Janusz was able to confirm on a laptop during the meeting. Who knew? The Fairgrounds people got back to Leonie, set up is good to go for Friday, tent stakes and chalk lines are fine. There was talk about asking the people at the fairgrounds if the electricity in the picnic shelter is live but Rocky said that she'd been out there this weekend and that it does work. Site tokens are being worked

on as we hold the meeting, thanks to Amalie, Katya and Ceila. Sigulf reported that we now have fifteen merchants on the list. Two of them still want to be inside and the rest want to be outside if the weather permits. Rocky asked Pieter to bring his large grill to be used to cook brats and dogs for lunch. She will also have PB&J available with chips / pretzels apples and drinks. Lunch will be pretty low key this year because of the close proximity of many eateries. She needs someone to take over as fire-keeper for grilling and William volunteered to do so. Lunch for the Royals—so far they are fine with whatever we have. We will need someone to bring it to them. Also a reminder that the A&S judges will be offered a free lunch. Rocky also volunteered to buy pickles and oranges in bulk and to share these with the fighters as well. Pieter suggested that we coordinate with the Royals' Chamberlains to have a staff member come to the picnic shelter to get their lunches. Leonie said she will also be happy to help. Olwen indicated that she got a list of thing from HRH Runa that she would like and will pass the list along to Leonie. Sigulf asked if anyone was making a list of the local restaurants to have available at Troll. Pieter indicated that he has 20 straw bales available for fencers and heavies.

**Non SCA business:** FYI—the local Good Will stores have a new policy that any shoes and clothing with the color of the week tag, left at the end of the week, will be .99 on Sunday. They also have a half price sale every first Saturday of the month. The West Lafayette book sale is this Sat., Sun. and Mon. Friends of the Library get to go in on Fri. night.

## A Look Back at Another Rivenstar-Related Coronation



*The 1981 coronation of Moonwulf Starkaardherson and Takaya Mereleone in Indianapolis  
Photo courtesy of His Excellency Baron Rivenstar*



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# Three Saints and a Coronation Feast Menu

## **On the Table**

Ale Cheese  
Speck Kuchen (bacon bread)  
Rivenstar Radish Relish  
Variety of Breads  
Honey Butter  
Sweet Mustard  
Finnish Herring

## **First Course**

Chicken in Ale  
Roast Roots  
Oatcakes  
Berry Nut Crumble

## **Second Course**

Lamb and Barley  
Viking Kibble (dried apples, dried cherries, hazelnuts)

## **Third Course**

Whole Roast Hog  
with Lombard Mustard, Balsmaic Orange, and Apple & Onion Sauces  
Rolls  
Apple Custard

## **Dessert**

Russian Crème with Blackberry Orange Sauce  
Crisp Gingerbreads

# April 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
3 Dance Noon to 3 PM, STEW 306	4 Madrigals (7) & Business mtg. (8) STEW 204	5	6 Armored practice at Purdue Armory 8 -10	7	8	9
10 Dance Noon to 3 PM, 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 12-3 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 12-3 STEW 306 (Easter Sunday)	25 Madrigals (7) & Business mtg. (8) STEW 204	26	27 Armored practice at Purdue Armory 8 -10	28	29	30
						** Rocky will have Gold Key at Armory on 4/13

# May 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Dance 12-3 moved to Fish Bowl PMU 118	2 Madrigals (7) & Business mtg. (8) STEW 307	3	4 Armored practice at Purdue Armory 8 -10	5	6	7 End of Semester at Purdue
8 Dance 3-5 STEW 306	9 Madrigals (7) & Business mtg. (8) STEW 204	10	11 Armored practice moves to Slayter Hill	12	13	14
15 Dance 3-5 South Tower	16 Madrigals (7) & Business mtg. (8) STEW 204	17	18 Armored practice Slayter Hill	19	20	21
22 TBA	23 TBA	24	25 Armored practice Slayter Hill	26	27	28
29 TBA	30 TBA	31	June 1 Armored practice Slayter Hill	June 2	June 3	June 4