



The RivenSTAR

September 2nd Call-out at Purdue: Best Call-out Ever

Largely due to the efforts of Rivenstar's public outreach coordinator Griffin Flavin, this year's student organization club call-out had the best turn-



out in many years. All the barony members who turned up for the BGR Activities Fair and the Activities Carnival the first week of

classes had a hand in this success as well. But it takes students to recruit students and



Rivenstar is lucky to have a great group of dedicated young people in its midst.

Heavy and Rapier Demos at Call-out

Although there are many activities demonstrated at any of Rivenstar's call-outs, it is always the fighting demos which



attract the most attention. This year, attendees were lucky enough to see some spectacular hits, including a rapier melee and a broken blade flying through the air (bringing home the need for safety).

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Regular Weekly Activities Info

Mondays

7:00 pm - Madrigal Choir Rehearsal
 8:00 pm - Baronial Business Meetings
 Held in Stewart Center at Purdue
 See Baronial Calendar back page of this issue.

Wednesdays

8:00 pm - Heavy and Rapier Fighter Practice
 Held at the Purdue Armory on Campus (summer hours differ)
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Sundays

3:00—5:00 PM— Dance Practice (on hiatus)
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Archery Practice - Some Sundays, look for information on the RivenList

More Activities!

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

Sewing Circles occur at random times when they are needed.

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Meeting Notes:**Monday, June 29, 2015**

Some notes from the last meeting (Chronicler wasn't present and it was thought these might be pertinent). Planning for the 40th Anniversary celebration continues: no need for garbage removal. Two port-o-thrones will be sufficient as long as one is handicapped accessible. The Baronial Motto has been settled. In Latin it means "You Always Have a Home". Gallien will email an appropriate person to get the Latin translation. Everyone seemed to latch onto it when Moonwulf said it, so it is a go. Aurora wanted to put that Motto on the new Populace Badge. She will make a mock-up of one badge with the motto and one badge without the motto for approval.

Today's meeting—Event Reports—Baron Wars, it rained out. There was wind and rain, tents being held down by sheer force. Adamh MacAoidh was there long enough to soak a shoe.

Aurora reports that she is in a sewing competition and is sewing for the vigil of a friend.

Wulf reported that a "prodigal" has returned, not a whom but a what. It is a box of stuff from Janusz and Leonie at the bottom of which was a 7 ft. Rivenstar Banner for the gate at Pennsic.

Rocky ran into a very wet group of people on Friday in the rain—certain adults and kids were playing but then decided that it wasn't wet enough and pulled out a fire hose. This was at Dani's EMT group demo for which Rocky was on hand to help calligraphy names on certificates for 16 and 17 year old participants. The demo held in Logansport was on the topic, "What it means to be an EMT."

Rocky finalized the bills and receipts from lunch tavern and has \$224 to go toward replacing loaner gear for the students.

Griffin, Jacob and others are working on loaner heavy armor. They picked up all the broken bits from Wulf's house this week. The project will keep them busy for a good long time.

Of the stuff that Janusz and Leonie gave to Wulf, lots of it was feast gear. Wulf thought that maybe some of it could be sold with the proceeds going to the loaner gear replacement fund.

Officer Reports: Archery—Archery was held between rain storms on both Thursday and Sunday. Gio, Nan and Brenna shot on Thurs. Nan, Giles and Breanna shot on Sunday.

Chatelaine—If anyone needs garb for Simple Day, get in touch with Rocky. It is an important day; a local is becoming a Peer. Rocky will also be at practice on July 22 for loaner garb for Pennsic if needed. Pennsic begins on 7/24.

Seneschal—There is some angst from Rivenstarkans living in Jafarland with their event on the same day as ours. We have promised to stay up late and keep the fires on for late arrivals.

Baron—Wulf reported the sighting of a former member, Anne Hatke. She is now a mom of at least three. They were at the Fiddler's gathering. Her daughters are really into needle felting. She is singing better than ever.

Current Business: October Anniversary event. Aurora had some questions. With horses present, what do we have to do? She has been referred to Takaya's expertise. Thrown Weapons and Archery—who would be the person in charge? Wilhelm volunteered to go to Simple Day and renew his MIT status in order to fill that roll. Siege Weapons: Should we bring them out? Three fourths of a machine is in Wulf's barn. Parts of it have wandered off but were not returned. Jafar has been borrowed for possible reproduction. It would be wonderful to have both siege weapons "Jafar" and "Andrew". Jafar was named after Prince Jafar and Andrew was named for Duke Andrew. Jafar has the honor of having a "Dragon's Teeth" award for its involvement in a target rich environment a number of years ago. Mallie will be the rapier marshal and Ron or Wulf will cover heavy weapons games. Will there be a Baronial Court? Maybe not a full court but since it is a Viking related assembly, there might be a "Thing" (just in case the populace wishes to bestow gifts upon the Baron and Baroness). Food is tabled for now. Troll will be covered by Francoise. Aurora is looking for communication with the web-mistress. Adam Mac Aoidh will be elevated to Master of Defense. Aurora asked about a "History of Rivenstar" table. A table with artifacts. It was suggested to ask John Skinner to donate a book he has made for scrapbook

purposes. Wulf has a “Golden Sot” and some silver pennies from the 20th anniversary. Plan to decorate the Hall for the Thing with old dead shields. Breanna will be doing a kumihimo class and was just talked into coordinating the A&S for the event.



Monday, July 13, 2015

Event Reports: Pieter noted that he went to the Barony of Sundragon’s fencing practice last week and that the expression, “vini, vidi, vici” applies. Sigulf and Giulianna went to the Field Museum to the Viking exhibit which is there until Oct. Sigulf said he took hundreds of photos and described some of the objects they saw. If anyone has a chance to go, it was very much worth the trip. Gallien reported on Chaos at the Castle held at a paintball court in La Port, IN. There was a wide variety of combative fields including an actual castle. Chaos of the Rings was a game for the rapier fighters during which Cecil du Pont had an epic moment. He stood on the bridge and declared “You Shall NOT Pass” in his best Gandalf imitation and proceeded to hold the bridge. Next year the theme will be Chaos of the Dead and Nerissa will be autocrat. Pieter was also involved in a story of epic proportions, tale of glory yadda, yadda in that the Barony of Rivenstar will henceforth be known for carpentry as well as all the other glorious things we do. Wilhelm aided in the construction of a Pennsic home. He went to Huis Doorn for archery and stayed the entire day to help. His expertise made it a lucky day for the former Baron and Baroness of Rising Waters (Richard and Studley).

Officer Reports: **Chirurgion**—the chirurgionate will be dissolved the day after Pennsic is over. Dani said to look out for do-gooders who think they can over-ride the MIC and who make the wrong decisions.

Exchequer—Francoise needs to hear from Kingdom as to whether or not her 2nd quarter report passes muster this time.

Baron—Pennsic is coming, make your presence known, especially if you are a first timer. Do we have any reports on the current water levels? It was reported that Rivenstar’s campsite is ok but Bog and Swamp are living up to their names. Some areas are

closed.

A&S—nothing to report

Archery—there was practice. Knives and axes were thrown but no one besides Breanna and Wilhelm participated. Practice ended early. Gene Hatke threw a couple of weeks ago.

Equestrian—there was a riding practice this week and several people participated.

Chronicler—nothing to report

Madrigals—practice will resume again on Aug. 24.

Current Business: 40th Anniversary event—Aurora had a budget worked up and went over various options to discuss pricing structure for all day participation, late arrivals, day trippers. The will be on their honor to pay for feast. Dani asked about the projected cost for the restrooms. Can we reduce? Don’t need a sink because there is a sink in the barn and we can provide hand sanitizer. Wulf proposed a charge of \$15 for the entire package or \$8 for half or end of day arrivals. If everyone pays \$8 and no one does feast, then we won’t cover the cost. Various different schemes were discussed and tabled for the future.



Monday, July 20, 2015

Event Reports: Pieter and Nan worked on a tiny house (14’ 2” l x 8’ w x 11’ to the ridge) for their daughter Annabelle, her husband and their spawn for Pennsic. From the purchase of the trailer to leaving took a mere 7 days. The truck took it to Pennsic and returned in time to take Mikki to her new job the next day. The house only had 1 inch clearance going out of the barn doors. It is green with purple trim. There is a blog. Check it out. The archery range has at least an inch of standing water on it. They rode horses last Sunday and later moved Mikki. There was archery and thrown weapons practice on Thurs while the trailer was being worked on. Danielle N. was a new face. She’d successfully hit the card on her first day. Tomorrow at 7 PM the trailer will be loaded for Pennsic. Go to Huis Doorn to help.

Officer Reports/ Current Business: Pieter had a note from Janusz who is now asking for the napatatorium tent. There is recollection that the barony was

paying on the tent over time. The money was to have come from camp fees. So, discussion needs to be had and decisions need to be made but for now it was tabled until after Pennsic and/or consultation with Virnin.

Aurora stated that the Pale ad for the 40th event is due by Friday. She sent samples around the room for comments. Next the chart that Aurora made up for pricing the event was discussed. Under most scenarios, the barony stands to lose money. Now looking at a flat fee with no food, just a pot luck. Gallien proposed a \$15 flat fee with no charge for food. The food would be free to all and the Populace Badge included in the fee as a site token.

Voted to go for a \$15 site fee and invite people to bring food to share. Aurora has had contact from the web-mistress and plans to have a URL for the Pale ad. She also sent in her A&S report on time. Chatelaine—Rocky will be at fighter practice on Wed. with Gold Key so people going to Pennsic on Friday might borrow garb if needed. Breanna is going to put that information on the web so that Rocky doesn't schlep all the garb there for nothing.

Break for Pennsic.

Monday, August 10, 2015

Nan reported that they served 280 bowls of ice cream at Pennsic this year. Wulf reported that everyone was out of camp by 4:30. The green trailer was loaded by 12:15.

One of our own, **Nina** is in the hospital. Takaya will be the access point for information on her condition. Keep good thoughts to send her way.

Officer Reports: Exchequer—Francoise reported a new requirement of the position. A report must be filed monthly now instead of quarterly.

Web-mistress—Catriona (via Dani) reported that the movement to a new server or operating system is rolling along.

Student Org.—the Medieval Soc. of Purdue had a request from Annette Miller from Edglea School to do a demo for the library theme of the middle ages.

Griffin reported that he and Jacob have been doing armor making and repairs. They have 4 sets just about ready for heavy use. They are short on gorgets and knees. He is asking for club funds to see about purchasing more. He will bring the equipment to Orentil (Ron) to make sure it is ok to use. They also replaced padding on 3 helmets and tested them all as well. In recruitment news, both a small (during the activities fair) and a large display case (for a few weeks after the fair) have been reserved in Stewart Center for advertising. Griffin is looking for photos of Pennsic, equestrian activities and archery and thrown weapons for a poster. Gallien suggested that someone had a mini oniger that might be used. The Activities Fair is Friday of the 1st week of classes, 8/28. The BGR Activities Carnival is on 8/22. Call-out will be held on 9/2. It would then be as close to the fairs as possible. Griffin will photoshop and make fliers for call-out. He needs "business" cards for the fairs to advertise the Call-out. Bethie has the club scheduled for the booths but not the stage during the fairs. We seem to do better at just doing impromptu demos where we are set up.

Current Business: Pieter reported that Virnin doesn't remember the circumstances of the purchase of the naporium. But does believe that Janusz was paid off for it. Other conversation needs to be had. 40th Year Event—Planning is still in the works but is shaping up. Food plans involve cake and ice cream (what would a birthday party be without them?). Pieter could use some help with the brush in the Grove to prepare for fencing.

Archer is still on for Sunday at 1 PM but the Thurs. practices will probably need to move soon as the light hours get shorter.

Pennsic Stories: Pieter—a tale of Miastro David St. Doc. They were having passes and had an entirely accidental train wreck. The Miastro was flat on his back, rubbing his head but he said "Good." referring to the hit. The score was a dead heat tie by 1/2 point at the end of the War. We took the service points 3-2. Wulf auctioned off the lost and found stuff and made \$3000 in 2 1/2 hours. The Princess went and fenced in a battle for the first time. She

was protected by heavies in rapier while the Prince was running with the Masters of Defense. Fosca who has been to every Pennsic War ever, helped Wulf as his ballista loader. The ballista was headed to 85 ft. but shooting at 35 ft. They had 30 kills before the bridge went down and afterwards they worked together to get another 9 kills in hand to hand combat. There was a short Royal Court held for Duke Dagan who passed after last Pennsic. His family offered up a large trunk load of largesse. Nan reported that a bunch of women in the camp competed and acquitted themselves well in the Estrogen and Axes event. Pieter reported that just before a battle, he decided to wax eloquent in challenge to the other side. The MIC's just let him go to it so he was verbose, bombastic even.



Monday, August 17, 2015

Breanna as acting Seneschal

Event Reports: none really. Wulf cut up archery targets and made some Boy Scout arbalests (catapults).

Officer Reports: **Chatelaine**—Rocky sent an email to the librarian and Edgelea who asked for several demos. She stated that Griffin should be at call-out because we need students to attract students.

Baron—nothing to report

Exchequer—nothing to report

A&S—Aurora would like to start a bi-weekly or monthly A&S activity in one of the library spaces at Purdue.

Chronicler—nothing to report

Madrigali—They are ready to crank up the season next week on 8/24. Pieter is going for the “classics” and plans to sing in English for Christmas Court. On a side note, Aurora, Hierusalem’s sister is making a documentary film on the War of 1812. She visited Huis Doorn and now Pieter has a cameo role as a general, Shadow plays himself and the property is part of the Wabash.

Archery—On Sunday, Drake, Aurora and Boen shot. Everyone enjoyed the new targets! Paper targets on the foam made a satisfying sound. They even feel as though they were hitting better because of the new targets. Practice on Thurs., weather per-

Student Org.—Griffin will participate in the BGR activities fair. Danielle will be on board as well. The club officially has booth time. He is looking for garb for Danielle and hoping that Jacob wears Armor. Griffin needs the business cards for Sat. 8/22 from 3-5 PM. Aurora said she’ll provide the paper book marks as information for the fair. Pieter will bring some artifacts to the booth. We have a display case in Stewert Center beginning on 8/24. It is 5 ft high x 3 ft deep. This is a good chance to show off what we are and do. There is some concern for theft as these cases aren’t locked. If you’d like to volunteer anything to put in the case, bring it to practice on Wed. 8/19 or archery on Sun., 8/23. Griffin will pick up all the stuff and redistribute it back at the business meeting the following week. Griffin is also asking for help distributing posters and putting them up. We are participating in the BGR fair on 8/22 but he is sure there is another fair on the 27th on the Union front lawn. Call-out will be 9/2 at the Armory. Madrigals will sing as best they can. Bring things to show for the call-out display tables.

Current Business: 40th Anniversary—Aurora put in the Pale ad and is now looking for information to hit our website. She needs to get the content on the website but has already set up Midrealm Calendar links. She’s poked the port-o-castle people. Now she wants to get started on the badges and is looking for proper Latin translations for “You’ll always have a home.” She needs people who are organizing different activities to put content on the Web. Aurora is asking for the Baron/Baroness to write an open letter to the Barony for the Website on the “wonderfulness” of the Barony’s 40 years.

Napatorium discussion and report.

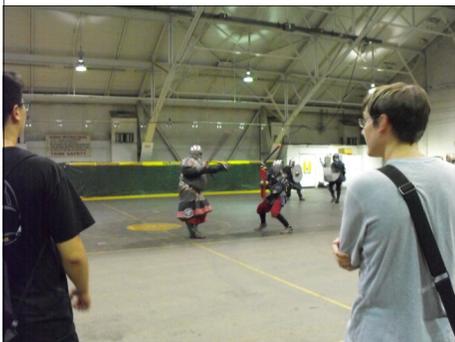
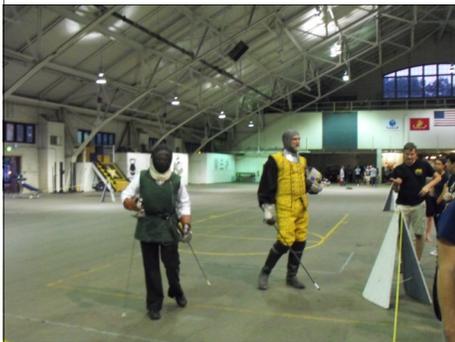
Rocky has started sewing sheep for a game at the 40th. By the time she is done, she’ll have a flock. Many rules and scenarios were discussed for the games with a lot of “remember whens” thrown in.

Galien has a report due at the end of the month and he will get it in on time.



Photo credits for this issue go to John Skinner for all the Pennsic and most of the Call-out ones. Tom Miller is responsible for the rest.

More Photos from Student Club Call-out



Amidst all the action of fighting demos, some A&S activities were also displayed to attract some students to the finer arts. Rivenstar's madrigali performed and Rocky displayed her calligraphic prowess.



Pennsic War XLIV: Scenes out and about as well as War.



Kingdom A&S, Benefit Concerts, Creativity and Hard work abound.

Pennsic War XLIV: Scenes of Rivenstar's encampment



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