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Bostocke Heraldic Lion (cross stitch) - Chart: Carol M. Thomas 2016 from embroidery in V&A Museum

Here's a little heraldic lion from the Bostocke sampler. In the original, he was done 20 stitches to the inch so he was veddy, veddy wee.

Carllein

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Canton Seneschal:

Ravenhill – Michael Christian Longstryde, michael.seneschal@yahoo.com

Baronial Champions:

Archery Champion: Lady Alexandra Krakkensdottir

Fencing Champion: Lord Grimolfr Skulason

Heavy Weapons Champion: Mistress Shiro

Thrown Weapons Champion: Lord Grimolfr Skulason

Meetings:

Baronial: Next meeting is Monday, February 18, 2016 7-9 p.m. at the Metropolitan District Training Center (MDTC), 125 Maxim Rd, Hartford, CT. Contact Seneschal Anarra Karlsdottir, t_neill@hotmail

Newcomers Meeting: TBD

Canton:

Ravenhill: Second Monday of the month, at the home of Seneschal Michael Christian Longstryde (Michael Intemann), 28 John Beach Rd, Newtown, CT 06470, 203-270-3670 (Before 9:00 pm), <u>michael.seneschal@yahoo.com</u>.

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Arts & Science

Middle-Eastern Dance

Sundays, 1-4 p.m., Authur Murray Dance Studio, Glen Lochen Marketplace, 39 New London Turnpike, Glastonbury, CT. Contact Mistress Su'ad (Nancy Barrett) at 860-228-6933 (before 10 p.m.); nancysuad@gmail.com.

Open Positions

Interested in becoming the Deputy Chronicler? Please contact the Chronicler @ janeofglastonbury@yahoo.com

Leather Workshop – Saturday, March 26, 2016

Camma has been prevailed upon to teach a leather workshop (it's handy to have a laurel in leather working on tap) at Dorigen & Eloise's house at 17 Bittersweet Lane, Burlington - 860-673-2240.

The big question right now is - what kind of leather work? Camma can teach either tooling or construction. Are people interested in learning to sew and construct things, or in making them pretty? We can teach both, but not at the same time. So which do people want initially?

Regardless of what we decide to focus on, if people have leather projects in progress they would like to bring for a consult, or just bring to work on, that's more than welcome also. I can talk about turnshoes if people are interested, although not set up to work on them that day.

I'll post times and directions and all that when we get closer. For now - construction or tooling? Weigh in!

Eloise

Clip art from Dover Medieval Ornaments

Combat Arts

NOTE: Practices are subject to change without notice. Please call ahead.

Archery

CT: BBM – The former Canton of Fennbrycg archery practice: Practice to Tuesdays at 4:30 indoors for the winter at the Norwich Archery Club; crossbows welcome. Contact Bob Smith to ensure practice is on due to weather or other issues at 860-848-3525. \$5.00 for nonmembers of the club.

CT: BBM - Bowman's rest: Tuesdays – 5:30 p.m. Burlington, CT - Dorigen & Eloise's at 17 Bittersweet Lane, Burlington. Contact Dorigen at 860-673-2240. CT: BBM – Woodstock: Practice may still be open by appointment. Crossbows welcome. Contact Krakken at 860-928-0578 or Email: <u>Dean Whitehead@bose.com</u>. CT: Dragonship Haven: Thursday from 8pm-10pm at the Keefe Center in Hamden, CT. Closed for the Season MA: Carolingia - Carlisle MA: Practice is closed until spring.

MA: Carolingia – Carlisle, MA: Sundays from 10 am to 1 pm - Archery practice runs year round, by Master Peter the Red, at his home at 94 Laurelwood Drive, Carlisle, MA. All are welcome and loaner equipment is available. Contact Peter at

peter.carmichael@comcast.net or call 978-287-0808. **MA: Smoking Rocks - Trader Jan's:** Practice is open Wednesdays 5:30-7:30PM; Friday 6-8PM at 288 Plymouth Ave, Fall River MA. Lane fee is \$8.00. Loaner gear is available. Contact Owen at Owen Hudleston@yahoo.com

MA: Quintavia - (Worcester County; Central Mass): Practice is closed until spring.

RI: Tobyn's practice: Practice is open by appointment. Website has current information:

<u>www.baronyofthebridge.eastkingdom.org</u>. Contact Tobyn 401-741-9130 or Radagast 401-741-9067.

Fencing

Thursdays, 7:30-10:00 p.m., Keefe Community Center, Hamden, CT (hosted by Barony of Dragonship Haven). Contact the Fencing Marshal (Christophel) @ fence@dragonshiphaven.eastkingdom.org. Sundays, 1-5 p.m. at Mary Elizabeth McGrath Educational Center, 130 Elm Street, Millbury, MA (hosted by the Shire of Quintavia). Contact Captain Anssem van Rienen, Marshall of Fence, Carolingia, at fence-marshal@carolingia.east kingdom.org.

Heavy-List Fighting

Thursdays, 8-10 p.m., Keefe Community Center,

Hamden, CT, hosted by Barony of Dragonship Haven). Contact Baron Oskgar of the Wood (Stephen Straut-Esden); <u>osgkar@earthlink.net</u>. Fridays, 7:30-9:30 p.m., Wyman Elementary School, 1 Columbia Ave., Warwick, RI. Directions and contacts on BBM website. **Wednesdays, 7 p.m.,** Barony of Bergental at Bethesda Lutheran Church, 455 Island Pond Rd., Springfield, MA. Contact Cedric of Armorica, Knight Marshall of Barony of Bergental for more information.

Thrown Weapons Practice

Tuesdays from 6 p.m.-8 p.m., weather permitting In the Canton of Ravenhill, 28 John Beach Rd Newtown, CT. Contact Michael Longstryder (Michael Internan) <u>thrownweapons@ymail.com</u> 203-270-3670 (no later than 8:30 p.m.)

Youth Fighter Practice

Thursdays, 7-8 p.m. at the Keefe Center in Hamden, CT (hosted by Barony of Dragonship Haven). Contact the Youth Fighter Marshal (Taoisech Holt Kincaid) for more information at

<u>youth@dragonshiphaven.eastkingdom.org</u>. Those who are new or need loaner gear should arrive a little early and a marshal will be there assist them. Please bring your own personal protection (athletic cup) and water bottles.



1/19/16 - PLAGUE BACTERIA MAY HAVE PERSISTED IN EUROPE FOR 300

YEARS - MUNICH, GERMANY—A team led by Lisa Seifert of Ludwig Maximillian University obtained DNA samples from 30 plaque victims who died in Germany during the second plague pandemic, which occurred from the fourteenth to seventeenth centuries. The scientists found that eight of the 30 skeletons tested positive for the bacteria Yersinia pestis, whose role in the second plaque pandemic has been debated. The bacteria's genetic material was highly similar to that of plague victims from other European countries. In addition, the eight samples had an identical Y. pestis genotype. It has been thought that Y. pestis arrived from Central Asia in multiple waves during the second pandemic, but these results, reported in PLOS ONE, suggest that there may have also been a yet unknown reservoir host in Europe. To read more, go to "<u>A Parisian</u>

<u>*Plague.*</u>" http://www.eurekalert.org/pub_releases/2 016-01/p-pmh010716.php

1/7/16 - CLIMATE DATA SUGGESTS FAMINE WORSENED BLACK DEATH - CAMBRIDGE,

MASSACHUSETTS—Volcanic particles discovered in an ice core taken in 2013 from the Colle Gnifetti glacier in the Alps have been chemically matched to the 1875 Askja eruption in Iceland by Matthew Luongo, a junior at Harvard University. This information helped researchers to align the data from the ice core with written records, including information about famine conditions in Europe in the years leading up to the arrival of the Black Death in 1347. "The evidence indicates that the famine was a broader phenomenon, geographically and chronologically," Alexander More of Harvard's History Department told The Harvard Gazette. If the famine had lasted decades, the population would have been weak and could explain the Black Death's high mortality rate—between one-third and one-half of the European population are thought to have died over a period of five

years. http://news.harvard.edu/gazette/story/2016/ 01/did-famine-worsen-the-black-death/

1/4/16 - PRIVATE, 16TH-CENTURY ARSENAL UNEARTHED IN RUSSIA - ZVENIGOROD.

RUSSIA—Traces of the sixteenth-century village of Ignatievskoe were unearthed by a team from the Institute of Archaeology of the Russian Academy of Sciences during rescue excavations ahead of the construction of a new highway. Among the 60 buildings, the excavators discovered an underground, timber-lined storehouse that was probably in the basement of a mansion belong to a boyar, or nobleman. It contained spiked helmets that had been stored in leather boxes, body armor, belts, arrows, sections of military sabers, pieces of camp tents, and cooking equipment. The private arsenal may have been intended to supply a standing army, but the house had burned down and the weapons were never recovered. "We've never encountered such finds in the Moscow region before neither in cities and especially not in small villages," deputy director Asya Engovatova told Phys.org. "This gives us a much better idea how a Russian noble would have prepared for setting out on a military campaign—each nobleman would have had his own arsenal in readiness." added Alexei Alexeyev, specialist in charge of the excavations. To read about a mass grave holding troops who died in the winter of 1812 during the French retreat from Russia, go to "Digging Napoleon's Dead." http://phys.org/news/2016-01archaeologists-unearth-military-arsenal-era.html

Strawberry Tart

This delicious tart is not a tart or pie in the modern sense of the word. It is simply sweetened fruit baked in a crust. The strawberries are to be picked right out of the shell and eaten!

Country: Germany Century: 16th

1 lb strawberries 1 sturdy pie shell*

1/8 - 1/4 cup sugar

1/4 cup sweet red wine

Lay cleaned strawberries in crust. Sprinkle sugar on stop of strawberries. Bake in oven for 20-25 minutes. Remove from oven and pour wine over strawberries (there should be liquid in shell from strawberries) Put tart back into the oven for an additional 20-25 minutes. Remove from oven, allow to cool a bit, and serve.

*The shell needs to be thick/sturdy to hold the liquid from the strawberries. The shell shouldn't be cut into.

Original Recipe Sources

Source [Das Kuchbuch der Sabina Welserin, T. Gloning (transcr.)]: Ain erbertorten zú machen Mach das bedellin vnnd laß erstarcken in der tortenpfanen/ darnach nim die erber vnnd legs daraúf vmber aúfs allernechst zú samen, darnach zúckeres woll aúfs allerbast. laß darnach ain klain weil bachen, geúß ain malúasier daraúfvmber vnnd laß ain weil bachen, so jst er gemacht. Source [Das Kuchbuch der Sabina Welserin, V. Armstrong (trans.)]: Make a pastry shell and let it become firm in the tart pan. Afterwards take strawberries and lay them around on top as close together as possible, after that sweeten them especially well. Next let it bake a short while, pour Malavosia over it and let it bake a while, then it is ready.

With the gracious permission of Lady Avelyn Grene. Check out her website at: http://www.greneboke.com and her blog at: http://greneboke.blogspot.com



Baronial Business Meeting

Monday, January 18, 2016 MDC OPERATIONS FACILITY & TRAINING CENTER 125 Maxim Road Hartford, CT 06114

Anarra has asked the MDC Training Center for the Following MONDAY dates:

MONDAY, February 15, 2016 at the MDC Training Center

SUNDAY, March 13, 2016 at John, Sisuile and Rumhann's house in Vernon starting at Noon. Bring potluck to share. Meeting at 2:00. Schmooze the rest of the time. Where: <u>103</u> <u>Union Street, Vernon CT</u>. Park in back. Call: 612-695-2251 (Sisuile) if lost.

WEDNESDAY, April 20, 2016 the Groton Public Library, 52 Newtown Road, Groton, CT 06340; Tel. 860-441-6751; http://www.grotonct.gov/library/directions.asp

<u>MONDAY</u>, May 16, 2016 at the MDC Training Center

MONDAY, June 20, 2016 at the MDC Training Center

ALL OFFICERS – *If your SCA membership expires on or before January 31, 2016, PLEASE send Anarra your new expiration date before January* 15th. She needs it for her 4th Quarter Report. *If your membership expires before April 30, 2016, she needs your new expiration date before March 15.*

Officer's Reports

Arts and Sciences – Alys du Bois

Interest in A&S in Western part of Baronv—Lucet. brewing, bow making, leatherworking, metalworking, feast planning, redacting.... CT Sheep and Wool in April Big E demo in September There will be a Newcomer's Meet and Greet with a Lucet class from Noon to 5:00 in the Connecticut Room at the New Milford Public Library on Saturday February 6, 2016. If you have a Lucet and/or some spare string, please bring them. If you're not interested in Lucet, bring another handicraft! SCA garb is not expected. No food or drink allowed in the room. Directions are on the New Milford Public Librarv web site: http://www.newmilfordlibrary.org/working/new map 3.htm

Chatelaine – Gwenllian

CT Sheep and Wool festival in April – If you want to participate, get your name and phone number to Gwenllian so she can get parking passes. They

want to limit cars as much as possible so we need to think about car pools and also parking over where Elizabeth lives and shuttling back and forth. **Chronicler** – Johanna/Emme (Deputy)

Johanna wants a new deputy. No, really, she does. NEW DEPUTY!! It could be YOU! Contact Johanna if you are interested. Please send

articles, stories, links, how-tos, recipes, photos, etc. **Exchequer** – Ciara/Gwilym (Deputy)

Signature cards are DONE except for Ignatia. Office fully ported over to Ciara. Thank you, Severin! Ciara and Ignatia did the review of the books at Birka this weekend.

Herald – Grimolfr/Camma (deputy)

 I was going to try and get the approval to send up the paperwork for the populace badge of BBM.
On OSCAR in kingdom level of commentary we have....

a) Leifr Skaldason - Badge - Argent, a trebouchet vert and a chief embattled gules

b) Lottieri Malocchio - Badge - Per chevron sable and gules a tower between three decrescents argent

3) On the most recent LoAR we have ...

a) Sitt al-Gharb ha-niqret Khazariyya - Alternate name - Hrefna Spákona

Lists – Mark the Red Hand/Alexandra Cupbearer (deputy)

One reportable injury at Yule that Bergental is dealing with because it was their fighting event and their Marshal. We have asked for copies of the report.

Knight Marshal – Angus

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Anarra has been told that Anya may have found an indoor fighting practice site in Middlefield. I've been told DSH is OK with this, but will have to get formal OK from their seneschal. Sounds wonderful and we need to discuss in Feb. Can Anya come to the February meeting?

Fencing Marshal – Grimolfr

I just received word that we will be emigrated a seasoned fencer from Dragonship Haven. He will be moving to the Ravenhill area. Captain of Archers – Rumhann - No Report Youth Marshal – Karrah - No Report. Thrown Weapons Marshal – Michael - No Report.

Web Minister – Sisuile/Constance (Deputy) Sisuile Butler is now warranted as the Web Minister. Check out the new Baronial web page. Data is still being added. Officers are getting new

East Kingdom Webmail boxes.

Seneschal of Ravenhill – Michael - No Report **Baron and Baroness** – Dorigen & Eloise Please give them recommendations for awards. PLEASE. Also, we need more award medallions. We are out. Files have been uploaded to the Yahoo groups files section. Any mediumpewter, leather, embroidery, etc, etc.

Old Business

Yule 2014

We are DONE with this event! We have a report and the check! Yeah!

Yule 2015

We cut a check for \$1,051.17 to Bergental for their half of the event. The event report is finished. It just needs to be forwarded to Kingdom. We still need the report from Bergental on the injury at the event. Yule 2016

Bergental does not need us to reserve the Hospital for Special Care Community center site for 2016 so Anarra cancelled the reservation.

Results of meeting on the 10th:

- In the future, the group that holds Yule in their territory will be totally responsible for budget, reports, finances and keep all the profits. The other group will provide help, be available for consultation, and provided people to fill various rolls (clean up, set up, gate, etc.) and other rolls, such as day board or feast or coordinating musicians, at the request of the hosting group.

- The hosting group will provide the one Event Steward. The other group will provide an assistant whose job it is to coordinate people from the nonhosting group to help.

- Bergental will always be responsible for Heavy Fighting and the night visitor.

- BBM will always be responsible for the Yule ceremony, the boar's head, finding singers for the boar's head carol, and the ring subtlety.

- Baroness Emma suggested writing some verses to explain the parts of the Yule ceremony and she will work on that.

March Barony Meeting SUNDAY, March 13.

We're having the March meeting on a Sunday at John, Sisuile and Rumhann's house in Vernon starting at Noon. Thank you to them! Bring potluck to share. Meeting at 2:00. Schmooze the rest of the time. 103 Union Street, Vernon CT. Park in back. Call: 612-695-2251 (Sisuile) if lost

Hrim Schola with Dragonship Haven – March 19 Tristan is DSH autocrat. We have an Autocrat— Khazarivva. Ana Ilevna to coordinate classes. So far we have more than 34 hours of classes but some are on similar subjects. Ana llevna to sort

that out with teachers. The preliminary class list has been sent to instructors and a few more instructors have offered classes. Next step is the class grid.

DSH will do site, money and dayboard. BBM will provide bodies for gate and cleanup. The site has room for about 8 (eight) class spaces. Ælfgiva will provide a bell for ringing between classes. It would be useful if someone would volunteer to be the bell ringer.

Alys, Sybil, Sorcha, Eloise, Quinton, Ciara, Gwenllian, Victoria (and mum) and Anarra will bake 5 dozen cookies each. If anyone else wishes to bake cookies, please tell Anarra.

Summer Shoot—June 4

Severin will be the autocrat and Anarra will do onsite coordination same as last year.

Johanna and Alyce to do dayboard Alyce to coordinate classes—one on making game boards

Good news and bad news:

Arnwulf has agreed to run more classes. HOWEVER Kings and Queens Archery champions is in Quintavia on June 4, per a conversation at Birka. This was a decision based on Crown schedules. We need to make a decision on go or no-go with this event at the February meeting.

Artifacts of a Life September 2017

We will probably do this again in 2017, pending discussions with Carolingia. Need a venue. Need to think about announcements to the Kingdom. New Seneschal

If you're interested, now is the time to stand up! Anarra is stepping down by next Yule. Leif and Gabriella have so far expressed interest. If you are interested, tell Anarra by the end of July.

Coronets

They are spiffy and full of Bling! Eloise will convey some concerns pointed out by Sisuile to the person who made them.

New Business Coronet Boxes

Eloise and Dorigen will make them. Anarra has some poplar that may be useful. Other people offered wood. too.

- Anarra



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