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# *The Chanticleer*

## *Monthly Newsletter of Barony Beyond the Mountain*

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### *Hrim Schola*

March 17, 2018

Hosted by Barony of Dragonship Haven and Barony Beyond the Mountain

The hills may be covered in frost, but we invite you to a cozy schola dedicated to the Fiber Arts.

The Barony of Dragonship Haven and the Barony Beyond the Mountain will host Hrim Schola on March 17, 2018 at the Middlefield Federated Church, 402 Main Street, Middlefield, CT 06455.

Here is the class list:

A Brief History of Knitting – Angharad verch Rees

Advanced Sprang – Emengar la Fileresse

Block Carving and Printing – Sarra Swetehick and Sisuile Butler

Bobbin Lace Introduction – Nest verch Tangwistel

Brocading on a Four-Harness Floor Loom. – Albreda Aylese

Built Fjord Tough: Sewing Sturdy Seams – Nastassia Ivanova Medvedeva, called Tasha

Cartridge Pleating – Aurelia Stellari

Cover Your Legs (Knit Stockings) – Angharad verch Rees

Doing It Wrong On Purpose: How I learned some things about structure in tablet weaving. – Ælfgifa of the Hazel Thicket

Drafting and Distaff – Morwenna O Hurlihie

Elizabethan Gold Braid Stitches – Elaine Howys of Morningthorpe

Felting – Cellach Dhonn

Finger Loop Braiding, beginning - Rosina von Schaffhausen

Finger Loop Braiding, advanced – Rosina von Schaffhausen

Goldwork: Couching – Anastasia da Monte

Goldwork: Cutwork and Chipwork – Anastasia da Monte

Hare Nets – Emengar la Fileresse

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**Marshal of Thrown Weapons** – Vacant

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**Youth Marshal** - Vacant

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## Combat Arts

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

### Archery

**CT: BBM** - Tuesdays – 5:30 p.m. Burlington, CT - Dorigen & Eloise's at 17 Bittersweet Lane, Burlington, CT. Contact Dorigen at 860-673-2240.

**CT: Dragonship Haven:** Sundays 12-3 pm (in season, weather permitting) Oxford, CT. DragonshipHaven@yahoo.com

### Fencing

**Thursdays, 7:30-10:00 p.m., Keefe Community Center, 11 Pine Street, Hamden, CT** (hosted by Barony of Dragonship Haven). Contact the Fencing Marshal (Christophel) @ fence@dragonshiphaven. eastkingdom.org.

### Heavy-List Fighting

**Wednesdays, 7 pm, Barony of Bergental** at Bethesda Lutheran Church, 455 Island Pond Rd., Springfield, MA. Contact Knight Marshall of Barony of Bergental for more information.

**Thursdays, 8-10 p.m., Keefe Community Center, 11 Pine Street, Hamden, CT**, hosted by Barony of Dragonship Haven). Contact the marshal at heavy@dragonshiphaven.eastkingdom.org.

### Thrown Weapons Practice

**1st & 3rd Sunday, 64 Orchard St, Vernon, CT.** Contact sisuile@gmail.com for times.

## Baronial Champions:

**Archery Champion:** Vacant

**Fencing Champion:** Sir Arnwult Aethelreding

**Heavy Weapons Champion:** Lord Gwilym of Fflint

**Thrown Weapons Champion:** Lord Rumhann MacDuibhsithe an Bhlog Seolta

## Baronial Meetings:

Next meeting is Sunday, March 11, 2018 – 3:00 at John McGuire's house, 103 Union Street, Vernon, CT. Meeting starts at 3:30. Contact Lady Sisule Butler, Seneschal@bbm. eastkingdom.org

## 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.

### Dance

First Tuesday of month – 8:30-10:30 pm - Camelot Co-Housing 46 Sawyer Hill Rd. Berlin, MA (Quintavia)

### Sewing

Sewing & Throwing is the 3rd Sunday, bring your string-based projects, hang out, throw sharp objects at wood. 64 Orchard St, Vernon, CT. Contact sisuile@gmail.com for times.

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## Hrim Schola – continued from page 1

Hidden Treasures: Extant Embroideries Rarely Seen – Mariot Carllein

Hide Shoe Pattern Making – Anarra Karlsdottir

How to Warp your Four-Harness Floor or Table Loom. – Albreda Aylese

Kick Up Your Heels – Nalbinding Socks – Ose Silverhair

Learn to Stencil and Help Create BBM Banners – Damiana Illaria d'Onde

Lucet Cords – Sybill Teller

Make a Personal, Late Period, Measure Tape – Severin Festschdermacher

Make a Silver Thimble. – Anton Leflamme d' Saint Aubin

Oya Needlelace – Chelsey of Gloucester

Posements – Sisuile Butler

Raised Plait Stitch from Sutton Hoo, from Cloth and Clothing in Anglo-Saxon England AD 450 – 700 – Ælfgifa of the Hazel Thicket.

Raising Angora Rabbits – Otter

Sheep Shearing – Brid ni Shearlais

Smocked Apron – Johanna de Glastingburi

Sprang – Beginning - Sunnifa Heinriksdottir - TENTATIVE CLASS

Sprang – Advanced - Emengar la Fileresse

Stabbing Fabric: An Introduction – Nastassia Ivanova Medvedeva, called Tasha

Tablet Weaving – Pattern Help – Ciara McRobbie

Untangling Twist – Morwenna O Hurlihie

**Site Open:** 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

**Location:** Middlefield Federated Church, 402 Main Street, Middlefield, CT 06455

**Directions:** Take your best Route to I-91. Take exit 20. Turn left onto Middle St (0.1 mile, turn left onto Country Club Rd (1.1 mile), turn right onto Higby Rd (1.2 mile), continue onto Jackson Hill Rd (2.1 mile), turn left onto CT-157 N, church will be on the right.

**Registration:** Adults: \$20 - With SCA Member Discount: \$15; Youth (17 and under): \$1; Family cap: \$28

**No feast this time!** We are planning on having a pretty good running dayboard, though, so bring your feast gear!

**Make Checks Payable to:** Barony of Dragonship Haven, SCA Inc.

**Event Steward:** David Helmers, saltpig@cox.net, 203-727-8938

**Class Coordinator:** Mästarinna Ana Ilevna, OL, Janet D'Agostino-Neill, ilevna@hotmail.com, 860-223-6843 (No calls after 10:00 pm, please)

Send Reservations to: David Helmers, 45 S 1st St, Meriden, CT 06451

Other Contact Information: No animals are allowed on site except Service Animals as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act (guide dogs, signal dogs, or other animals individually trained to provide assistance to an individual with a disability).



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# Archaeology News

<http://www.archaeology.org/news/>

## 2/27/18 - CHURCHYARD BURIALS

**REVEALED IN ENGLAND - WARGRAVE, ENGLAND**—*The Henley Standard* reports that construction work for a new church annex in a village in southeastern England has revealed human remains that appear to date from the early medieval period through the Victorian Age. As many as 90 individuals could be represented among the bones. "We can see many intercutting burials which cut through to the burial plot next to them," said archaeologist Stephanie Duensing of John Moore Heritage. Remains of coffins and a shroud are helping the archaeologists date the remains, which are being cleaned in a shed at the site. Bone specialist Ceri Boston said she's found evidence of scurvy, syphilis, arthritis, and poor dental health among the population. One man is thought to have been a bare-knuckle boxer due to a broken nose and rib fractures, though his unusual toe fractures also suggest he may have been a naval conscript. "They used to round up troublemakers and people in jail and shove them off to the navy," Boston explained. To read about another recent discovery in southeastern England, go to "Caesar's English Beachhead."

<http://www.henleystandard.co.uk/news/church-services/122571/bones-from-middle-ages-uncovered-during-building-work-for-church-annexe.html>

## 2/26/18 - BRONZE ST. NICHOLAS RING UNEARTHED IN ISRAEL - MOSHAV

**HAYOGEV, ISRAEL**—*The Times of Israel* reports that a gardener discovered a 700-year-old bronze ring while weeding a planting bed in Lower Galilee. The intact artifact bears an image of St. Nicholas, who is revered in Eastern Christianity as the patron saint of travelers. He is shown as a smiling bald man with a bishop's crook. Israel Antiquities Authority archaeologist Yana Tchekhanovetz said the ring dates to sometime between the twelfth and fifteenth centuries, and may have been dropped by a pilgrim. "We know that the

main Roman road from Legio to Mount Tabor passed next to Moshav Yogev, and the road must have also have been used throughout the centuries by Christian pilgrims on their way to the sites on Mount Tabor, Nazareth, and around the Sea of Galilee," added IAA archaeologist Yotam Tepper. For more, go to "Gods of the Galilee."

<https://www.timesofisrael.com/galilee-gardener-digs-up-medieval-ring-bearing-smiling-st-nicholas/>

**2/21/18 - ENGRAVINGS SPOTTED ON  
MIEVEAL SPINDLE WHORL - RZESZÓW, POLAND**—Iwona Florkiewicz of the University of Rzeszów recently examined a spindle whorl unearthed more than 60 years ago in Czermno, a site in southeastern Poland, according to a report in *Science in Poland*. A spindle whorl adds weight to a spindle, prevents the thread from sliding off, and helps to maintain the spindle's spin and control its speed. Florkiewicz said this whorl had been made of slate from what is now Ukraine. She also discovered that the whorl had been inscribed with Cyrillic letters. "Archaeologists probably did not expect spindle whorls to have inscriptions, so these objects were not analyzed in this respect," she said. The letters spell the man's name Hoten, and may have been a sign of ownership, or possible secondary use as an amulet. "The spindle whorl probably comes from the time when this area was a part of Kievan Rus," she explained. "Remember that Czermno was a borderland town, where cultural influences from the east and the west mixed." For more, go to "Off the Grid: Krakow, Poland."

<http://scienceinpoland.pap.pl/en/news/news%2C28263%2Conly-medieval-whorl-inscription-found-poland-comes-czermno.html>

## 2/9/18 - NEW THOUGHTS ON IRELAND'S BOOK OF KELLS - DUBLIN, IRELAND

According to a report in *The Independent*, Bernard Meehan of Trinity College, Dublin, has examined the *Book of Kells*, a 1,200-year-old illustrated copy of the four Christian Gospels, and offered new thoughts on its production. He thinks work on the four sections may not have begun at the same time, in Scotland, as had

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been previously thought. He says the handwriting of St. John's Gospel, which was copied on the Scottish island of Iona, indicates it was made by a traditional scribe educated during the mid-eighth century. The book, traditionally the last of the four Christian Gospels, may have been intended to stand alone, since it was especially revered by medieval Celtic Christians. The same scribe's handwriting has also been detected in the opening pages of St. Mark's Gospel, however, suggesting that he may have died before completing that project. Meehan suggests a series of Viking attacks on the Scottish monastery, and possibly an epidemic, delayed production of the rest of the volume by about 50 years. Then, he believes, the remaining pages of St. Mark's Gospel, and the entire texts of St. Luke's Gospel and St. Matthew's Gospel, were produced in Ireland, after the monks had moved to the safer, inland site at Kells. For more, go to "The Vikings in Ireland." <http://www.independent.co.uk/news/science/archaeology/book-of-kells-medieval-test-gospels-trinity-college-dublin-ireland-illustrations-a8198961.html>

## **2/7/18 - FIFTH-CENTURY CHURCH DISCOVERED NEAR BLACK SEA -**

KARABÜK, TURKEY—*The International Business Times* reports that the ruins of a fifth-century Christian church have been found near the Black Sea, in the ancient city of Hadrianopolis. Ersin Çelikbaş of Karabük University said the church measures about 65 feet long and is thought to be one of the oldest in Anatolia. Surviving floor mosaics in the church feature an image of a bull leaping over a row of plants, and depictions of rivers mentioned in the Bible. The building could be related to monasteries mentioned in ancient sources that were built by the Christian saint Alypius the Stylite, who was born and died in Hadrianopolis. He is remembered for building the Church of St. Euphemia and living on top of a pillar erected next to it. Çelikbaş and his team have also uncovered a second church, two baths, and a villa at the site, which was located on an early Christian pilgrimage route. To read about another discovery in Turkey, go to "In Search of a Philosopher's Stone."

<http://www.ibtimes.co.uk/discovery-ancient-anatolian-church-linked-early-christian-worshippers-turkey-1659437>

## **2/5/18 - DICE HAVE GROWN MORE FAIR**

**OVER TIME** - DAVIS, CALIFORNIA—A survey of cube-shaped dice dating back to the Roman era finds that they were not designed to have an equal chance of landing on different numbers until the Renaissance, according to a report from *Science Alert*. Researchers based their analysis on 110 different dice, and suggest that the trend toward "fair" dice coincided with the rise of scientific thinking. "People like Galileo and Blaise Pascal were developing ideas about chance and probability, and we know from written records in some cases they were actually consulting with gamblers," said Jelmer Eerkens of the University of California, Davis. "We think users of dice also adopted new ideas about fairness, and chance or probability in games." Eerkens and colleagues found that Roman-era dice each had a slightly different shape, and many were visibly lopsided. It is possible that those using the dice believed that providence—not the shapes of the dice—determined the results of rolls. Dice dating to the Middle Ages are more regular in shape, but have their pips arranged in what is known as the "primes" configuration, popular in Ancient Egypt and Mesopotamia, in which opposite sides add up to prime numbers—1 opposite 2, 3 opposite 4, and 5 opposite 6. Around 1450, dice shifted to the "sevens" configuration used today, in which opposite sides add up to seven: 1 opposite 6, 2 opposite 5, and 3 opposite 4. For more, go to "Game of Diplomacy."

<https://www.sciencealert.com/2-000-years-of-dice-design-evolved-fairness-probability>

## **2/2/18 - NEW DATES OBTAINED FOR POSSIBLE VIKING MASS GRAVE IN**

**ENGLAND** - BRISTOL, ENGLAND—*The International Business Times* reports that new radiocarbon dates have been obtained for the human remains discovered some 40 years ago in a mass grave at a seventh-century church in Repton. Historic records indicate that a Viking army invaded England's four Anglo-Saxon kingdoms in A.D. 865, and spent the 873–874

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winter in Repton. The remains of hundreds of dead, mostly males between the ages of 18 and 45 who had suffered violent injuries, had initially been thought to be members of this Great Viking Army, but radiocarbon dating had indicated some of the bones were too old for that to be the case. Cat Jarman of the University of Bristol says the Vikings' seafood-rich diet could have thrown off the first radiocarbon tests. The new dates, which adjust for the older carbon ingested with marine foods, place all of the remains in the ninth century A.D. Jarman said the new dates don't prove the bones belonged to the Vikings, but they do make it far more likely. For more, go to "Hoards of the Vikings."

<http://www.ibtimes.co.uk/midlands-mass-grave-was-burial-site-viking-great-heathen-army-war-dead-new-study-reveals-1658343>

## Tortelli

*This recipe is a fried sweet cracker with a nut filling, and the result is a very tasty and addicting snack.*

1/2 cup almonds, ground  
1/8 cup walnuts, ground  
1/8 cup hazelnuts, ground  
1/4 cup sugar  
1-2 Tbsp water  
2 cups flour  
3 eggs\*  
Saffron  
1 Tbsp lard\*  
1 Tbsp water  
Oil  
Sugar

Mix nuts, sugar and water. Mixture should be wet enough that the nuts and sugar hold together, but do not contain excess water.

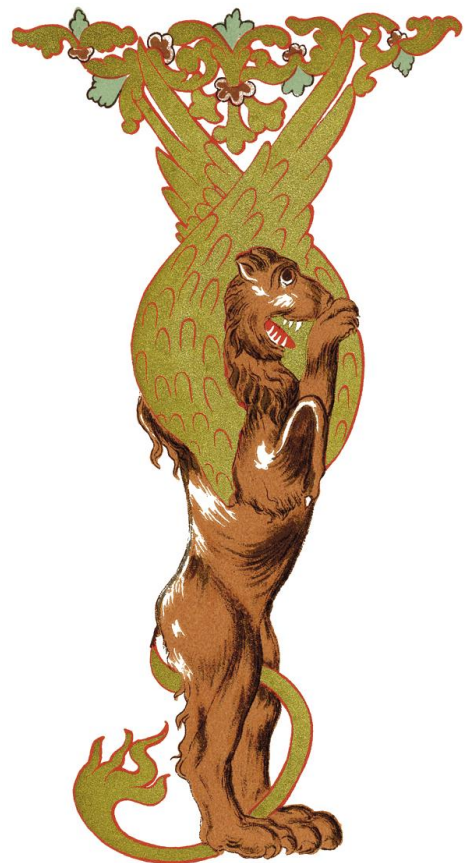
Mix flour, eggs, lard, and water. Roll dough out and cut into 2 inch squares. Drop about a teaspoon of nut filling into onto the squares, fold and pinch. Fry pastry in oil and then dust with sugar.

\*Please note that lard and eggs would not have originally been used in this recipe in period for lent. I decided to add the lard simply to make the dough slightly more palatable, and slightly easier to work with. Without it, the result resembles a fried cracker with a nut filling.

**Source** [*Libro di cucina/ Libro per cuoco, Ludovico Frati (ed.)*]: CXV. Tortelli a modo de fritelle bianche per quaressema bone. A ffare tortelli bianchi per xij persone, toy una libra de mandole e una quarta de nociuole e de noxe, e togli meza libra de zucharo e toy le mandole ben monde e le nociuole ben monde e pestala insema e mitige arquanto zucharo a pestare, e de questo batuto fai le fritelle e falle piccole. Togli farina e zafarano e tridalla con aqua e fay che sia molle e zalla e involzi entro li tortelli e frizili in bono olio e polverizage del zucharo e dali dreto le altre vivande.

**Source** [*Libro di cucina/ Libro per cuoco, Louise Smithson (trans.)*]: CXV - Tortelli in the way of white fritters for lent good. To make tortelli white for 12 persons, take a pound of almonds and a quarter of hazelnuts and of walnuts, and take half a pound of sugar and take the almonds well peeled and the hazelnuts / walnuts well peeled and paste well and mix enough sugar and paste and of this batter make the fritters and make them small. Take flour and saffron and mix with water and make that it is soft and yellow and fold inside the tortelli and fry in good oil and powder with sugar and put them before the other meats.

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>



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# A hoard of 16th and 17th century children's toys found at Market Harborough parish church, England

Check it out at:  
<http://irisharchaeology.ie/2013/02/a-hoard-of-16th-and-17th-century-childrens-toys/>



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