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The following offices are currently open. Please volunteer!

Crete Book; Demo Coordinator; Equestrian Marshal; Rapier Marshal; Minister of Families; Water Bearer
Any currently filled office that you are interested in always need deputies. Please Volunteer!

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Faire in the Grove

May 02, 2015 to May 03, 2015

Dragon's Mist Washington County, OR

Event Managers: Alexander Scott and Anrothan O'Murchadha

Faire in the Grove, the largest public demo in the Portland Metro area is coming May 2-3 to the McMennamins Grand Lodge in Forest Grove, Oregon. We invite the populace of the Rivers Region and friends to join us for a weekend of fun and community outreach. We are planning armored combat and rapier activities for fighters, as well as a multitude of Arts & Sciences and Martial displays and demonstrations, plus Merchants, Entertainers, and food.

We are looking for displays of all kinds as well as live demonstrations. Past demonstrations and displays have included - lampwork bead making, spring pole lathe carving, spinning, embroidery, scribal demonstrations, block print demonstrations, card weaving, armor, archery, glass blowing, costume, toys, weaving, table settings, cooking demonstrations and more! Bards and entertainers of all types are also needed! We are looking for puppeteers, singers, dancers, musicians, storytellers, jugglers, magicians and other practitioners of the bardic arts. We also need fighters, heralds, and marshals for combat activities. There will be prizes for the fighting including an overnight stay at the Grand Lodge as the grand prize for Sunday's Heavy and Rapier Tournaments.

Merchant space is still available. Traffic for this event is heavy for a faire of this size. We usually see 6000 people over the course of a weekend if the weather cooperates.

Details are available at www.faireinthegrove.com.

Site Info:

McMenamins Grand Lodge
3505 Pacific Ave. Forest Grove, OR 97116

THREE MOUNTAINS CHAMPIONS

June 13, 2015

Three Mountains Clackamas & Multnomah Counties, OR

Event Manager: Rattera Giese

Site Info:
Marshall's Farm 34058 Sykes Road
St. Helens, OR 97051

Directions to Site:

Take your best route to Highway 30 driving towards St. Helens. Turn LEFT on Sykes Road if traveling from the Scappoose side of Highway 30 (Burgerville is on the corner) and drive approx. 2 miles. Driveway and SCA signage will be on the left. Drop off items and passengers and then go park in a designated area.



May Crown

May 15, 2015 to May 17, 2015

Hauksgaror Flood River and Wasco Counties, OR

Event Manager: Marco Valentino

* Reservations for Scheduling, Land reservations, and Merchant Pre-registration are due by May 8th.

* Volunteers are needed! Gate, heralding, Parking, Marshaling, and Brute Squad all need help

* MayCrown@dragonsmist.org - Volunteering

Pre-Registration - Fill out and mail the form located at <http://www.antir.sca.org/Dubs/forms/MayCrown2015.pdf>
Forms and payment must be received by May 8th, 2015.

Email at MayCrownPreereg@dragonsmist.org

Merchant Pre-Registration - Forms available at <http://www.antir.sca.org/Dubs/forms/MayCrown2015Merchant.pdf>

Questions can be forwarded to the Merchant Coordinator,

Mistress Morgaina of the Woodlands at Merchanting@dragonsmist.org

Meeting Scheduling - Send requests for meeting times and needs to Francisca de Montoya at schedule@dragonsmist.org.

Calling all those who wish to put a meeting or activity on the schedule for May Crown. Please include in your request the day, time and place of your activity and any other activities with which you prefer not to conflict; we will do our best to accommodate. Please remember there are only so many hours in a day and the final schedule will need Their Majesties' approval. Thanks for your patience and understanding.

Land Reservations - Please send any RD/land/eric reservation requests to LandReservations@dragonsmist.org.

When requesting camp space, please include: the dimensions of the area for the request (including ropes), type(s) of tents, affiliations (i.e., household, barony, other group of some sort), and a contact name (SCA and modern) with email address. Please also let us know if you'd like to camp near anyone in specific (group or individual).

For eric space, any consolidation or orientation of day shades for space conservation would be most appreciated in order to allow prime tournament viewing for as many folks as possible.

Hotels - Any hotel in Flood River will meet your needs. It's also worth noting that AirBnB has several options in Flood River.

AirBnB www.airbnb.com

Comfort Suites 2625 Cascade Avenue Flood River, OR 97031, USA (541) 308-1000 <http://www.comfortsuites.com/>

RiverView Lodge 1505 Oak Street Flood River, OR 97031 USA (541) 386-8719 <http://www.riverviewforyou.com/>

Flood River Hotel 102 Oak Street Flood River, OR 97031, USA floodriverhotel.com (541) 386-1900

Sunset Motel Flood River 2500 Cascade Avenue, Flood River, OR 97031 USA Phone:(541) 386-6322

Columbia Gorge Hotel, 4000 Westcliff Drive, Flood River, OR 97031 USA, Phone:(541) 386-5566
<http://www.columbiagorgehotel.com/>

There are a few grocery stores in the area. Odell itself has a small grocery store that will meet most needs, but is limited in selection.

Safeway

Address: Cascade Commons, 2249 Cascade Avenue, Flood River, OR 97031 Phone:(541) 386-1841

Hours: 5:00 am - 1:00 am

Rosauers

Address: Flood River Shopping Center, 1867 12th Street, Flood River, OR 97031 Phone:(541) 386-1119

Hours: 6:00 am - 12:00 am

Mid Valley Market

Address: 3380 Odell Highway, Flood River, OR 97031 Phone:(541) 354-2599

Site: Flood River County Fairgrounds
3020 Wyeast Rd Flood River, OR 97031



Grand Thing X

May 22, 2015 to May 25, 2015

Stromgard, Clark and Skamania counties, WA

Event Manager: James Sayer

The Barony of Stromgard invites you to the tenth Annual Grand Thing. This is a period event focusing on Nordic and Irish traditions of the Viking era with fighting, contests, games, and a Grand Feast though all cultures and interests are welcome! Based on the "Thing" where free people of the community would meet and settle issues of law.

PRIZE FOR BEST NORSE ENCAMPMENT!

Fighting: Multi-Weapons Tournament with five weapons styles (sword & shield, axe & shield, spear & shield, two-handed axe, and two-handed spear), a Memorial Great Axe Tournament (bring word fame of the fallen in song, prose, or saga to enter), a Monastery

Raid (where you keep what booty you can escape with), and a Domination Tourney where not just your skill is tested but your courage and valor as well. Can you withstand the Storm of Steel?

Motel 1066, we'll keep an electric candle on for you. (hey if a barn was good enough for Mary and Joseph it is good enough for you). I will once again take on the task of Inn Keeper, send all emails and reservation requests to me at GEBARBER2001@YAHOO.COM

I have (38) lovely 12 foot by 12 foot closed horse stalls and (20) 10 foot by 11 foot open animal stalls. All stalls are on a first come basis, the cost is \$20 for the weekend. All proceed go to the Baronial Travel fund.

The horse stalls come in two styles, interior and exterior. The interior have a half door that opens to the large walkway, the exterior have a full door that opens to the outside.

The smaller animal stalls all have a half door that opens to the outside

The interior walls on all of the various stalls, are built of 2 x 6 lumber with gaps between the boards, you will want to bring cloth covers for privacy. The ground is dirt but with a plastic tarp and carpet or two you will be sleeping in luxury (well at least for a camping site anyway). It did appear last year that if it rains heavily there were a couple leaks in the roof. Nothing major, just a drip or two but it is something to watch out for.

Propane heaters and lanterns are OK for use in the building but please no open flames. Fire pits can be used outside near the building.

Rules:

There is no maid service at this Motel so, please clean up after yourselves.

Do not leave your propane heater, stove, or lantern alone. **Not even for a minute.** Turn it off or take it with you.

NO camp fires in the barns. NO smoking in or around the barns. Go out onto the road.

Please be respectful of your neighbors as the walls are thin and full of gaps.

Last year there were families staying in the barns so quiet time will begin at 10 PM

The overhead electric lights will be turned off at 10:30 PM

If you wish to continue singing, dancing, drumming, and chatting past the quiet time you are welcome to use the South lawn area near the Eric's. Picnic tables will be there and you can set up a fire pit or two.

There are Porta-potties to the South-West by the Eric (one regular / one ADA) and one regular to the North-East by the horse arena. If you use personal potties in your stall you are responsible for the contents (yes, we did have someone leave it to others, yuk)

If you had a stall last year and liked where you were let me know and I will give you the same space.

Baron Joon of Stromgard, Motel 1066 Inn Keeper



Special limited edition site tokens available at gate. Keep posted for more information. First come first serve

Equestrian activities cancelled for this event.

Teen and youth activities all weekend. Contact Enid at romenj95@yahoo.com for more information. Volunteers are needed!

Large groups contact Land Master: Gustaf at: rbahmert1@gmail.com

RD sites are very limited. First come first serve on reservations. Contact Gustaf for these limited spots as well

Site opens 12PM (merchants 10AM) on Friday closes 12PM Monday.

Pre-registration is by mail only. Paying upon arrival is still available

Site fee: Adults-\$20 at-gate 15.00-prereg.

under 18 free. Day-pass \$10.00. (Non-member add \$5 NMS on all fees)

Make checks payable to: Barony of Stromgard, SCA Inc.

P.O. Box 5548 Vancouver, WA 98668-5548

Merchant fee: A donation of your choice to prize chest.

Contact Merchantrat Stanton at maclyr@hotmail.com

10% of all profits will be donated to the Kingdom Travel Fund.

****Schedule of events to come soon.****

Event Steward: RL James Sayer (James Spiering)

jamessayer355@gmail.com

503-201-9274 Please not after 9pm

Site Info: Columbia County Fairgrounds 58892 Saulser Rd. St. Helens, OR 97051

Directions to Site:

Columbia County Fairgrounds, 58892 Saulser Rd, St. Helens OR97051. www.columbiacountyeventcomplex.com From North take I-5S to Longview WA, cross bridge into Oregon, go south on Hwy 30 (past milepost 28) to St. Helens, turn right on Cable Rd in front of Safeway store, follow signs to site. From South take I-5 to Hwy-30, go North on Hwy-30 (past milepost 27) to St. Helens, turn left on Cable Rd in front of Safeway store, follow signs to site. www.columbiacountyeventcomplex.com



April Baronial council minutes

B&B: Joyous Spring to all,

This month our Baroness visited the Barony of Dragons Lair to witness the Kingdom Art and Science and Bardic Championships and our Baron went to the Barony of Dragon Mist's Carnevale at Barons Keep. Both events were a lot of fun with family, good friends and good food.

With Spring comes WAR! We will be traveling to Ducanfeldt for Baroness War where the Plumige plans to take the field as a War Archer.

May Crown is fast approaching in the Shire of Hauksgard. Stromgard is providing Fire Watch, if you would like to help out contact Jon. (It is a great way to meet new people, and find the best parties.)

The Baron plans to attend Spring Feast in the Shire of Rivers Bend on the 18th of April. The first of May, the Baroness will be traveling to Abecal to witness the first Crown Tournament of the new Kingdom.

In Service to the Lions Throne
Baron Jon Dreng / Baroness Plumige Wolfkiller

Seneschale: Drifinna present, written report.

Eschequer: Ederild present, written report.
Deputy Eschequer: Sabine

Chamberlain: James present, written report. Greetings,

Nothing new to report for the office of chamberlain.
For Yule, our eschequer reported all checks are in and will be closed.

For Grand Thing 10, checks will be collected tonight for deposits once more information is received. I still have a few positions open for staff, including but not limited to youth combat, teachers for classes, Bard coordinator, and more to be announced tonight at the meeting.

YJS,
James Sayer

Arts and Science: AElfwyn not present no report.
A&S Deputy: Boda

Herald: Judita present, written report. Winter as a productive month, as far as submissions went. As reported earlier in Feb., Founding Revel gave the opportunity for Scribal and Heraldry to create some very nice drawings (the Dic-Dic and Tracing Pages were heavily utilized); and the timely appearance of several visitors in green meant that there were always fresh voices available for Cry. March was A & S Heraldry in North Plains, where I taught 2 classes: Heraldry 101, and Applied Heraldry—or, What to Do With That Device You Finally Got Passed. During that afternoon, 2 more designs were tentatively sketched-out, and I hope to see them submitted by the end of May.

Scribe: Carith present. Nothing to report

Chatelaine: Mistress Marisol of Diana, present

5-1-15 Responded to newbie by email re: contacts for fighter practice and Gold Key, baronial meeting, etc.

5-31-15 Sent email to all newcomers re: change in Baronial meeting date, fighter practice reminder and Spring Feast information

Yours in Service
Mistress Marisol

Gold Key: Sybil absent —report Your Excellencies: Please accept my humble apology for the lateness of this report. I physically assumed responsibility for Stromgard Gold Key stores at Founding Revel on February 7, 2015. Said garb will be on site for loan at Grand Thing. Nothing to report for April.

In service,
Sybil Fayerweather

Chronicler: Ilaria, absent written report. Sorry folks, I'm sick so you don't want me there tonite anyway.

I haven't gotten the Siren up yet but will put my mind to it this week, and get it done. Meanwhile, Edward and I have gotten back from Gulf Wars, where much fun was had by all (even if we did get the ague). I have a few pictures that will make it into the Siren as soon as I figure out how to get them off my cell phone.

If there is some kind individual who will take notes tonight, it would be greatly appreciated, on paper, by electronic means, or even recorded will be fine.

Ilaria

Web Minister: Cee absent nothing to report.

Knight Marshal: Justin present verbal report. Baronial Marshal Report

Matthew Widolff/Sir Rjartan Daegarson

Practices at Harmony Elementary (17404 NE 18th St, Vancouver, WA 98684)

have been going every Thursday at 7:00 pm without incident or injury this last month. They have been averaging 8 heavy fighters and 0 rapier fighters. On the 5th we reinstated the Bottomless Stein Courney and Count Erik Daegarson was the victor. End of Report.

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Yours in Service
Sir Rjartan

Scribe

Nothing to Report

See you at the meeting.
Carith

Rapier Marshal: Office is open for applications

Archery Marshal: Domhnall absent written report

Youth Marshal: Office is open for applications.

Lists: Ciara present written report. Nothing to report.

Open/Expired Offices: Rapier Marshall, Youth Marshall, Equestrian Marshall, Crete Book, Demo, Family Activities.

Event Reports:

Grand Thing XX, May 22-25, 2015: James steward, Attia consultant written report.

A Game of Thrones and Stormgods July 24-26 2015: Drifinna steward with Renart as consultant.

J, Amanda Oberrecht am placing a bid for stormgods.

Costs:

\$500-site
\$600-honey bucket
\$125-water, pretzel, pickles
\$500-prize money
\$60-barons bash
\$100-site token, flyers, site copy
\$75- extra expenses
\$100- insurance (including horse)
Total—— \$1860

I estimate about 200 adults showing up

150 @ \$15=\$2225

50 @ \$10=\$500

Total——\$2725

Profit estimate of \$890



Yule Feast: December 12, 2015: Amice steward present. written report

Date reservation completed for December 5th, 2015. Reservations made with Pioneer Grange.

Budget so far:

Building fee \$500.00 this is \$50 less than we paid 4yrs ago. She gave us a special price for being a good customer. Usual fee is \$400

Deposit \$500, nonrefundable portion \$60.00 - This is a restroom cleaning fee. Apparently there has been some serious problems recently with renters.

Turkeys \$100.00 approx for 8 - 12lb turkeys—depends on the price per pound

Catering fee \$100.00 approx

These are the large expenses for this event. Any other items will be added to the budget closer to the event.

In Service

Amice

Active Business/New Business: May meeting Golden Tent.

Event prize committee: Still picking up things for Grand Thing.

Largess committee: Nothing new

New Business:

Customary/Financial Policy:

Announcements:

As requested by their Excellencies Jon and Hulmige, Countess Maria and I delivered the two goody bags per your instructions. There is not a barony in the local area but there are three that are close, about 1 1/2-2 hours away. We talked to the people that live around the site and found that the barony of Armoor is the one that comes and helps them the most, so we gave the bags to the Baron and Baroness of Armoor for their use. They were very nice and assured us that they would use the gifts for the betterment of the local area. The baron is His Excellency Gellir Gunnarsson Chris Bass gellir@att.net And Baroness Her Excellency Brigida Ingvarsdottir Ann Bass ann.huston@att.net

In your service Edward & Maria

Meeting closed 8:06 pm

