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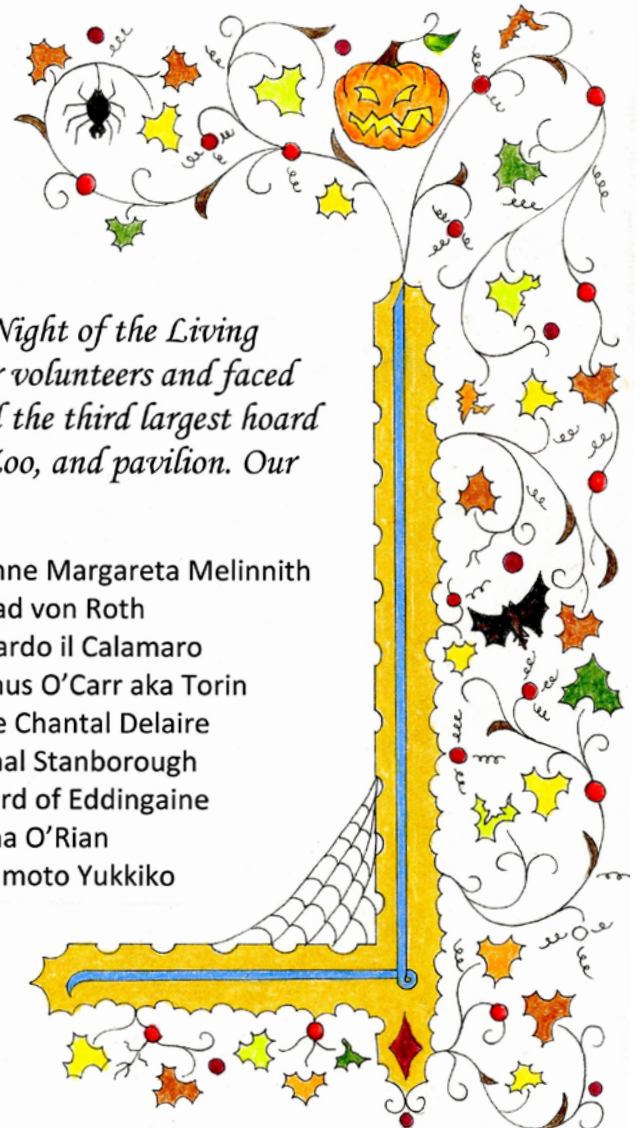


Good gentles of Vatavia

Be it known that this October at Night of the Living Zoo 18 Vatavians answered the call for volunteers and faced the hoards of trick or treaters. We faced the third largest hoard in history at candy stations, Witches' Zoo, and pavilion. Our renown continues. Vivat the dedicated.

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FROM THE BARONAGE

Greetings good gentles all from Donald and Zoe, Baron and Baroness of Vatavia!

We have nearly wrapped up another year in Vatavia! Please be mindful of the fact that regularly scheduled practices and meetings may be cancelled or changed due to holidays or weather. The people who organize each gathering will keep everyone updated through the Dragonflyer, email, calendar, and Facebook.

Don't forget that the December populace meeting is a potluck-a period potluck! Bring something tasty to share and we will see you there!

Finally, Coronation is coming! Have you volunteered to help? The kingdom will be descending upon us, and many hands make light work.

Yours in service,
Donald Mac Donald, Baron
Zoe Mikre, Baroness

FROM THE CALTROP PURSUIVANT

Good gentles all,

This has been a productive time for heraldry. We recently received confirmation on the status of three items in process for Marie Chantal DeLaire and Ottar Surtson (two items registered, one returned for conflict) and we have two more items on the current Kingdom Letter of Intent (Bartholomew Thorpe and Fuyume Rasa Inuhara). As Caltrop, I also made sure we were represented at the Fall Crown Tournament, contributing my efforts to the List Heraldry. Also, I would like to thank everyone who has been bringing personal heraldic items to events, whether banners, heraldic garb, or one's device painted on furniture or other possessions. By doing so, it not only keeps heraldic practices going, it makes Vatavia look spiffy. Well done!

We are going to be quite busy in the near future; by the time the next newsletter is out, the annual Toys For Tots tournament will have taken place, which always requires plenty of voice heralds. Kris Kinder, of course, is on the way, and not long after that will be Coronation on which day we will be needing all the voices we can muster. I have been told HRH Matsunaga wishes a set of tournaments at Coronation, both Armored and Cut & Thrust, that the newly crowned King and Queen may find their Champions. These tournaments will need list heralds, so if you wish to help, contact me via the Caltrop email listed on our Baronial website.

I am always on the lookout for people to add to the ranks of the Caltrop office, so if you would like to be added to my list of deputies (or just want to learn more about heraldry), contact either myself, my deputy Lord Karl, or HE Marie Chantal, and we will be glad to help you.

Ever in service,
HL Johann

FROM THE SENESCHAL

Unto the populace of Vatavia I send greetings and salutations. I want to start by thanking Lord Corrigan for putting together this quarter's Dragonflyre. His help has been invaluable over the years and he continues to help Vatavia in its time of need.

There are several things happening in the Barony that I would like to mention at this time. I'm sure everyone has noticed that we have changed the night for weekly Arts and Sciences meetings to Thursday. This was due to the church starting a Wednesday night service and the fellowship hall needing to be used for children's services. As well as that they have decided to start charging everyone a monthly fee for usage of the fellowship hall starting in January. This fee would be too much for the barony to absorb and we were going to have to either look for another place or start having A&S nights at people's houses. Luckily, Lord Leonardo (Lenny) had an idea that we are currently working on that will not only move A&S night back to Wednesday night but also put us in a place that has a classroom environment as well as shop space (currently we will be utilizing only the classroom area.) This will be taking place starting in January and will be announced on the DFO, facebook page and group and will be changed on the website calendar.

Also, Lord Ottar has stated that his landlord wants the Baronial property out of his garage so we will be renting a storage unit for a few months until we can find a more long-term storage solution. This means we will also be pairing down some of the Baronial property and getting rid of some of the unused items that have accumulated over the years as we move items to the storage unit. All of this will take place at the end of this month/beginning of next month at some point so we can get it done in a timely manner.

We are currently looking for a Chronicler for the DragonFlyre. We love that Corrigan is doing it this time but he doesn't want to do it forever so we need to find someone to do it on a quarterly basis. Please send letters of intent to Baron Donald, Baroness Zoey and myself if you are interested.

We are also next on the rotation for bids for Spring Crown Tourney in 2017. The Baronage would like bids sent to them and myself by February 2016 so they have time to review them and send them to Kingdom. This is an excellent opportunity for the Barony to show the Kingdom of Calontir what we can do!

I want to thank all the fine officers and their deputies for doing a great job and all the members of the populace that have been helping out recently with demos, meetings and classes that have been happening. Thank you.

Lord William Douglas
Seneschal, Barony of Vatavia

FROM THE KNIGHT MARSHAL

From Magnus O'Carr Knight Marshal of Vatia comes greetings during this Yule season.

Fighter practice is now at our winter site, the Exploration Place, at 12 pm on Sundays. Look to the Barony's Facebook and Dragonflyonline, the Barony's yahoo group, for the last minute updates on fighter practice. Everyone come on out and enjoy fighter practice at our indoor site.

Don't forget that on December 5th, Theobald is having their event, come on out and have fun.

In service to the fighting Falocns,
Magnus O'Carr

OFFICERS MEETING MINUTES

**OFFICERS' MEETING: October 7, 2015 at Word of Life
Martinson Avenue Campus**

10 members participated: 9 Baronage/officers/deputies;
1 member of the populace

Besides Calontir and other SCA events there are several demo opportunities this Fall. The Knight Marshal is organizing the fighting presentation October 25th for the Adventurous Babes Society. Contact Lord Torin for information. The Night of the Living Zoo is October 23rd-25th. October 17th is the volunteer deadline for those wishing to participate. The first two Sundays in November presentations are scheduled at Exploration Place. One on arms, armor and archery; the other on period games.

The Caltrop Pursuivant is still awaiting notification of the August decisions for members proposals. He also has deputy positions open for members interested in book, court, field and voice heraldry. 17 new and potential members attended the Newcomers' Guild Fair October 3rd. The Web Minister has updated the Baronial website with information that he has received. The current Dragonflyre still needs to be posted once it is received.

The Exchequer reported a balance of \$10,480.85. The Valor event report is done and will be sent in.

Archery practice will be changing to a winter schedule in the near future. Practice details will be finalized after information about Diamond Archery's move are known. Other range possibilities are being checked.

Two major changes will be happening this Fall. The new senior pastor for Martinson will be implementing schedule and policy changes at the facility that will affect the Barony. What all those will be has not been decided at this time. The best case scenario, the weekly meeting day will need to be changed; the worst case scenario, a new site might need to be found.

Second, the Barony will be losing our current storage space for Baronial property. Commercial storage facilities can be expensive. Other possibilities were discussed. Some past solutions were mentioned. Multiple storage locations are not desired due to the added complications it makes. Possibilities are being investigated.

Any ideas, comments, and/or suggestions are welcome, in writing please. These will be discussed at the November meeting and will be needed by then. There being no other business the meeting adjourned.

OFFICERS MEETING MINUTES

**OFFICERS' MEETING: November 9, 2015 at Word of Life
Martinson Avenue Campus**

12 members participated: 11 Baronage/officers/deputies/champions; 1 member of the populace

Plans for Coronation in Vatia January 9th now include tournaments to determine Their Majesties Champions' for armored combat and cut and trust. Voice heralds will be needed. Vativians are asked to help new members with garb for this event. They are also asked to encourage and provide transportation to newcomers for several upcoming events: Theobald College's A Medieval Knight's Dream December 5th; (Johnson County) Clothiers February 6th; Vatia's event at Camp Hawk April 23rd.

A few details for the November 8th presentation at Exploration Place were mentioned. Future presentations for the beginning of 2016 will be scheduled with the facility's volunteer coordinator in the near future.

Unless another new meeting location is arranged before December 10th that Thursday will be the last official Arts and Sciences at the Martinson location. Various other options are being researched and checked. Two Vativian name proposals are on the current I Calontir internal letter. Our Caltrop Pursuivant will be attending the Toys for Tots event to help with the heraldic needs. The Baronial web site has a new page listing all the officers from the early shire days to the current officers.

The Adventurous Babes presentation October 25th went well. The group may be asked to be part of their Spring picnic. Vativians were part of the second largest attended Night of the Living Zoo. Local members have been working with individuals in the Newton area interested in the SCA organization.

The Exchequer sent his report information. Outstanding checks are being dealt with and resolved. There is currently a balance of \$10,717.36. The Seneschal and Social Media officer will be establishing an informational page for the group. Certain technical and real world media operations/protocols must be met and followed.

The current Baronial storage site will not be available by the end of this year. Several options are available; but, none can be finalized before the deadline. It was approved by the finance committee to obtain a commercial storage unit through April of 2016 to meet the site deadline and provide time to complete a long term and economic storage solution.

The current Chronicler must go on hiatus due to real world concerns. New guidelines require a publication quarterly only. The deadline needs to be the December 3rd Officers' Meeting to meet the 4th quarter publication. Interested individuals should contact the Baronage or Seneschal for details or to apply.

There being no other business the meeting adjourned.

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THEIR HIGHNESSES CALONTIR

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UPCOMING KINGDOM EVENTS

Dec. 5: A Medieval Knight's Dream | Theobald (Winfield, KS)

Dec. 12: Kris Kinder | Forgotten Sea (Kansas City, MO)



Jan. 1: Twelfth Night | Lonely Tower (Omaha, NE)

Jan. 9: Winter Coronation | Vatavia (Wichita, KS)

Jan. 23: Winter War Maneuvers | Mag Mor (Lincoln, NE)



Feb. 6: Clothier's Seminar | Cum An Iolar (S. Johnson Co., KS)

Feb. 27-28: Cheiftains | Three Rivers (St. Louis, MO)



March 12-20: Gulf Wars | Gleann Abhann (Lumberton, MS)

March 26: Spring Crown Tournament | Three Rivers/
Crystal Mynes (Neosho, MO)

April 2: Bellewode Heraldic Scribal and Dance Symposium |
College of Bellewode (Kirksville, MO)



April 2: Spring Spears | Calanais Nuadh (Rolla, MO)

April 9: Kingdom A&S | TBD

April 16: Unslung Heroes | Aston Tor (E Jackson County, MO)

April 23: Phallus Fractus: A Fundraiser for Male Cancers |
Vatavia (Wichita, KS)

April 30: Melon Wars | Flint Hill (Mason City, IA)



May 7: War College | Amlesmore Moor (Hallsville, MO)

May 14: St George & The Dragon | Oakheart (Springfield, MO)

May 21: Melees & Mayhem | Crescent Moon (Topeka, KS)

May 28: Tournament of Horse and Falcons | Forgotten Sea
(Kansas City, MO)



June 11-19: Lilies War | Calontir (Smithville Lake, MO)

June 18-26: SCA 50th Year Anniversary Celebration |
Danville, IN

INTEREST GATHERINGS

Populace Meeting

Third Wednesday, 7-9 PM

VFW Post 112, 1560 South Topeka Street, Wichita, KS 67211

Arts and Sciences Gathering

1st, 2nd and 4th Thursdays, 7-9 PM at Word of Life

Martinson Avenue Campus | 1653 S. Martinson Avenue

Fighter Practice (Armored Combat and Calon Steel)

Sundays, 12 Noon-3 PM

Exploration Place, 300 N. McLean

For more information, contact: Lord Magnus (AKA Torin)

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Archery Practice

Sundays, 12-2 PM AM

Diamond Archery | 926 W Harry St., Wichita, KS 67213

For more information, contact: m'lord Sigurd

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Officers Meeting & Finance Meeting

First Thursday of the month, 7-9 PM. Open to the populace.

Word of Life Martinson Avenue Campus | 1653 S. Martinson Ave.



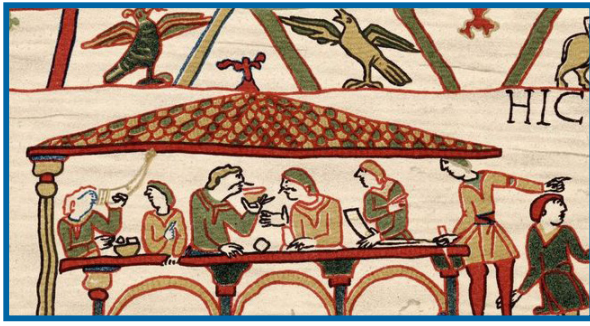
SCA WEBSITES OF INTEREST

www.sca.org | www.calontir.org | www.baronyofvatavia.org



TO GET A COPY OF THE KNOWN WORLD HANDBOOK

Contact His Lordship Friar Thomas at 316-685-1182



Yule Populace *A Medieval Potluck*

Cooking Competition

Sponsored by Nü Tzê Sung Saiêrh

December 16th, in this the 50th year of our Society

1. Participants should research and prepare one period dish to share with the populace.

“The definition of a period source is material which was written in period or was written earlier than period, but can be documented as available in period. A source is period if it is accurately quoted (and the original reference is cited) in a secondary source. A source may be a recipe, journals describing foods eaten, letters, books on manners, etc.”

– Calontir’s Arts and Sciences Criteria (<http://artsci.calontir.org/criteria/remove-cooking.php>)

Remember the scope of the SCA, which is the study of pre-17th century Europe. There is, of course, leeway for other cultures that would have had contact with Europe during this timeframe.

2. Please no brewing or beverage entries. The VFW Post graciously provides us with matured beverages for consumption. It would be discourteous to circumvent our host’s generosity.
3. Keep in mind the amenities of the site. There is no kitchen access.
4. Participants should attempt to display their entries in a period fashion. i.e. forgo the paper plates and plastic utensils for wooden, ceramic, metal containers or even baskets.
5. Documentation is required and should contain the following:

A. The original recipe. Provide modern English translations if necessary!

B. The redacted recipe.

“Redacting is defined as editing for publication, in this case taking the medieval recipe and translating and updating so it fits with what we consider to be a recipe.”

– Redacting a Medieval Caudle Recipe by Jeff Johnston AKA CuAllaidh (<http://cuallaidh.hubpages.com/hub/redactingamedievalcauldlercipe>)

C. Ingredients and/or Materials used

D. Information on the differences and similarities between the original and redacted recipe.

E. EARN ALL THE BROWNIE POINTS. Tell us more, Tell us more. What was your favorite part of the process? Did you learn anything? If you had to make the dish again, what would you do differently?

Competition Categories Include:

Best Documentation

Best Presentation

Most Nom Nom Yum (aka Populace Choice)

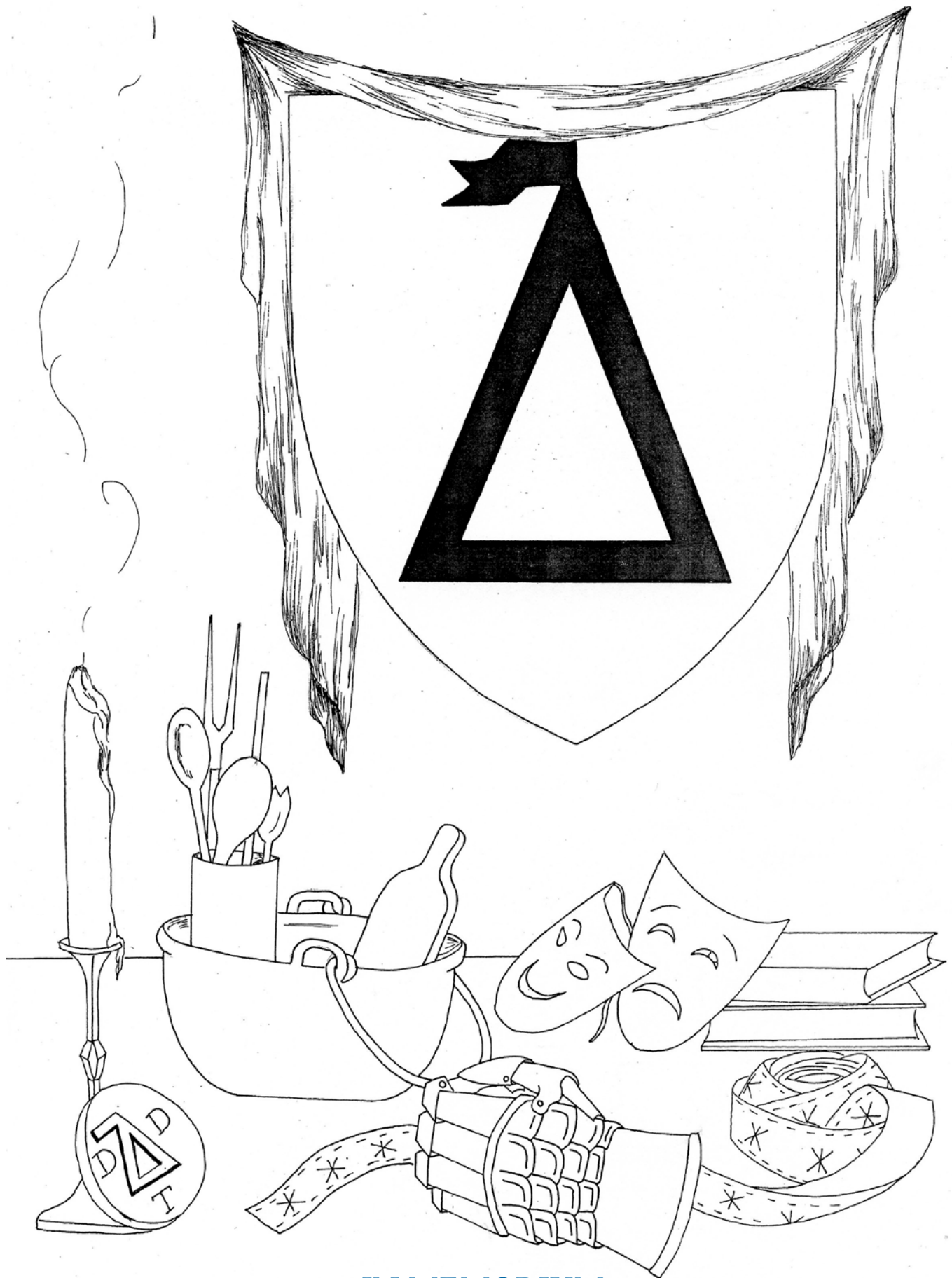
“BUT Sung I don’t cook!” ...That’s okay! I still encourage you to play along. There are plenty of things that you can bring that don’t require cooking! Here’s some ideas to get you started:

Potluck Feast Helpful Hints by Josseline de la Cour: <http://lochac.sca.org/riverhaven/potluck.html>

Period Potluck Contributions That Require No Cooking by Lady Eulalia de Ravenfeld: <http://www.geocities.ws/shadowdryad/SCA/potlucknocook.pdf>

What to Bring to a Potluck if You Don’t Cook : <http://www.bayrose.org/AandS/handouts/What%20to%20Bring%20to%20the%20Potluck.pdf>

Sung’s Pinterest Page (includes the above links): <https://www.pinterest.com/sungsaierh/medievalcookery/>



IN MEMORIUM
DEMETRIUS MISTHOPHOROS
JUNE 2, A.S. 49



IN MEMORIUM
CECILLE CERISE OF CHERYBEARE
AUGUST 3, A.S. 49

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3 Officers & Finance Meeting 7-9 PM Word of Life Martinson Avenue Campus 1653 S. Martinson Ave.	4	5
6 Fighter Practice 12 Noon-3 PM Exploration Place 300 N. McLean Archery Practice 12-2 PM Diamond Archery 926 W. Harry St.	7	8	9	10 Arts & Sciences Gathering 7-9 PM Word of Life Martinson Avenue Campus 1653 S. Martinson Avenue	11	12
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20 Fighter Practice 12 Noon-3 PM Exploration Place 300 N. McLean	21	22	23	24	25 Christmas	26
27	28	29	30	31 New Years Eve		

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