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Chronicler: Staff:

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To the Good Gentles of Vatavia comes this missive from Baron Gawanye and Baroness Brialen.





The populace who couldn't attend Coronation missed a very different and unique event. We witnessed the murder of our King Stephen by a mysterious stranger. Good Queen Lilia struck down the fiendish spiller of Stephen's blood and retired to a convent (or some such place) First she asked the Heirs to Calontir if they would do their duty. Their Highness were then crowned King and Queen. We wish them a long, happy and prosperous reign.

Renn Faire is coming, let's remember than it is a DEMO and we are in front of the public. Try to stay in persona at all times, use period mugs, utensils, and keep 'whopper wrappers' out of sight, ect. Eckerick can use all our help. We stand to gain more than money at this event-we gain space for events and archery.

Champions is also just around the corner, and we thank Elwyn for so

ably autocrating this event and appreciate the help of our Archer and Fighter Marshalls along with the MOA and MOS have promised him.

The Champions place in this Barony is a long and honored one. It is not just a nother tourney or competition. They represent the entire Populace to us and to the rest of Calontir. In view of this, we take the duties of Champion very seriously.

They are:

- 1. Autocrating, or finding an autocrat for the event to discover their successors, a long standing tradition in Vatavia.
- 2. Act as a liaison between the populace and the Baronage.
- 3. Encourage whatever they are Championing.

We understand that the real world intrudes sometimes into our hobby, and that some responsibilities come first. However, we expect a reasonable attempt at fulfilling these duties. Vatavias Champions have an important place to fill in helping to lead this Barony and act as a leader in Calontir. Therefore, if other matters interfere significantly with the completion of his/her term we will replace the Champion with another of our choosing.

Consider well these words and don't enter unless you intend to try to the best of your abilities to fulfill your obligations.





In Service to Crown and Barony Baron Gawayne and Baroness Brialen

### From the Chronicler:

A Special "Thank You" to all who have so generously contributed their time and talents to enhance this endeavor. Not the least of which is John Bromere-please look for his article and pattern in this issue describing the construction of a forearm bracer.

As always, a Thank You Lady Eleanor for your, kind, and patient support.

Diedre

Newsletter Deadline is Wednesday, April 21, 1993 at Populace

### I-men Stabs Pillage Local Pubs

Local pubs in the Vatavia area have been ravished by the notorious Zmen Straws Gang. Tavern keepers have registered complaints in record numbers as they open their establishment only to find all their straws have been stolen during the night. It is believed that these renegades are utilizing the stolen goods to make blowpipes for a new form (but period) of combat archery.

An informant from within the gang, speaking only if he is allowed to remain anonymous, told this reporter that gang members will take the straws, load them with little paper missiles and fire these at opposing parties. He also told us that the gang's leader, one T. Vixenlittle, believes strongly in the gang's ability to use this weaponry being that they are missile weapons and they are the experts in that field. The populace has been warned by local constables to exercise caution during the outbreak. The Baronage could not be reached for comment.



#### from the Archer Marshall

WARNING: (In honor of the 1st day of April, some items in this report are mildly exaggerated).

As you read this Caloncon has come and gone. See me at practice for the latest from Kingdom.

#### Renaissance Festival:

Those of you who have not done so yet, please sign up for a time slot at the Archery Booth. This is Vatavias largest demo of the year and one of the few that archers can fully participate in. Plus, the Archery booth brings in a great deal of revenue to our Barony.

#### Historical note:

Archeologists have discovered that Saxons were the first to invent the camflex compound bow. Following the Norman infestation of l066, the Saxons hid them from the Normans and have just recently been unearthed near Derbyshire.

April 30-May 2, the Barony of Forgotten Seas Archery Event in Lone Duck, Missouri. Archery, Axe, Knife and Spear. I realize that this is the weekend after Renn Faire, but this would be an excellent opportunity for Vatavians to show their skill. Speaking of which, Mairghread Anna nic Fhearguis (Maggie) has a new arm guard

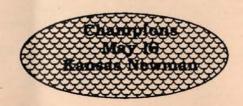
has a new arm guard after winning archery at Wolfstarr in Ansteorra last month.

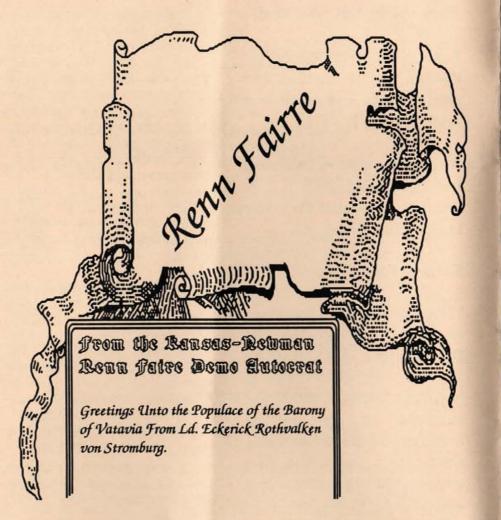


Start sharpening your skills for Champions in May. Not only for Luchisnick, but there is no reason why an archer cannot also try for Bardic Champion, Arts and Sciences or even, if your're also a fighter and schedules permit champion. For Luchisnick this year you will receive a genuine English longbow recovered from the Mary Rose... or a scroll. We will find out in May.

In Service

Lord Thomas Joxmoor





May all of your wonderful renaisance era creations band costumes be nearing completion.

The Renaissance Faire Demo at Kansas Newman is fast approaching. The Faire is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, April 24 and 25, and also an education day on Friday, April 23.

#### Wednesday-April 21

Populace Meeting 7:00 P.M. at Kansas Newman-Dress Rehearsal-Final approval of all garb to be worn at Renn Faire. All visible garb must be renaissasnce era. I encourage everyone to be historically accurate.

#### Thursday-April 22

6:30 P.M. set-up of SCA Dell, Tournament Field, Archery Field, and Living History Area. Bring work clothes and muscles.

Friday-April 23--Education Day

8:00 A.M.--SCA People Arrive 9:00-12:00 Noon Open to Middle and High Schools 12:00-3:00 P.M. Open to Grade Schools

Saturday-April 24 and Sunday April 25 Renn Faire Opens to Public

8:30 A.M.	SCA will arrive and display tables will be set up and people will be assigned to tents/areas to demonstrate
	their talents.
10:00 A.M.	Fair Opens
11:00 Я.М.	Combat Fighting
11:30 Я.М.	Bash a Knight
12:00 Noon	Dancing
1:00	Grand Melee at Front Gate
1:30	Combat Fighting
2:00 P.M.	Bash a Knight
2:30	Dancing
3:30	Combat Fighting
4:00	Bash A Knight
4:30	Dancing
5:30	Combat Fighting
6:00	Bash A Knight
7:00	Fair Closes

All Day Activities Include:

Archery Booth

Medival Living History Area Calligraphy Booth

Heraldry Booth Armorer's Tent

Saturday Night:

Sunday Night:

Post Revel on Site, Singing, Telling Stories

At 7:00 SCA will break

down and pack up, help will be needed to get

property back to property

shed

#### More Renn fairre---

Eckerich will be coordinating activities. The SCA will only be selling boffer swords on Friday, unless there is enough help to man the archery field. We will be demonstrating our talents and displaying our projects. All people who plan to help on Friday need to be demonstrating something and willing to talk with kids about what you are doing. Contact Eckerich if you can help.

Renn Fairre is the Barony's largest and most public demo of the year. The SCA's expertise in Medieval and Renaissance Arts. Crafts and Customs is an invaluable part of making this Renn Fairre a success. The benefits of this demo are rent free use of Kansas Newmans grounds for practice and small events for the remainder of the year, recruitment of new member to share our Dream, and the raising of the largest share of our yearly baronial operating funds.

As with all such large endeavors, the success of this demo depends on the

#### More Renn fairre---

support of our populace. The Barony needs dedicated volunteers to man the Archery Booth, Participate in Combat Fighting, Bash A Knight, Dancing, Constibuling, Demonstrating Arts and Sciences in the Medieval living history area which will be enacting a period encampment at a Tourney. or smithing armor or linking chainmail in the armory tent. Waterbearers, hearlds and bards are needed. Those than demonstrate arts and sciences are encouraged to do so

Many items need to be constructed and prepared before the Renn Faire. Besides Personal Renaissance Era Garb, Several Signs and Banners need to be sewn or built. Gear needs to be checked to determine if repairs are necessary, or if items need to be replaced.

As part of a Baronial emphasis on more personal heraldry to decorate our lands, the Barony is making several "Poles and Holes", to be awarded to those who

#### More Renn fairre---

make their own hearldric banner. This consists of an 8 foot pole with a separate angle iron stake to use as a stand. Makes sure your name is on Eckerich's list if you intend to make a banner.

Because of limited space behind the tents, camping on site is limited to authorized security people and those from out-of-town who join us. Campers are to be authorized by Eckerich.

#### Contact People:

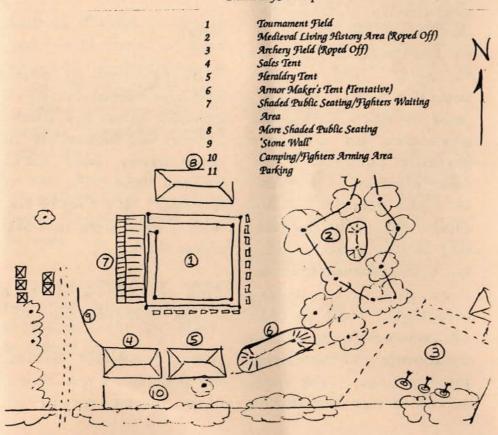
Eckerich	Autocrat
Galen	Dancers
Magnus O'Carr	Fighters
Lora Anne	Finances
Thomas Foxmoor	Archery
Eleanor	Herald's Booth
Marie	Calligraphy

Any questions about Renn Faire can be directed to Eckerich at 684-1953.

In Service,

#### 1d. Eckerick Rothvalken bon Stromburg

#### Preliminary Site Map





Greetings unto the Baronage of Vatavia and her fair populace from Lady Eleanor ferch Rhiwallon.

First, I am seeking to fill the following positions for the Baronial Heraldic Staff-Spike: aka Drop Dead Deputy, responsibilities include everything the Caltrop does when the Caltrop is incapacitated or unable to be there. This fun list includes court reports, field heraldry, and court heraldry as well as heraldic research. The other position to be filled is Field Herald. This means yelling at fighters. OK, so that's not exactly it. I just wanted to know that you are paying attention. Field Heralds are responsible for calling the rounds and matchings for tourneys. The field herald is also responsible for making sure the camp is called at events. Please submit written application to me by April populace if you are interested.

Note:

The positions of name and book herald as well as heraldic artist are filled. If you are interested in these areas, how about helping these folks out as deputies? It's a lot of fun and a good way to learn about the S.C.A.

The following are acceptances from Laurel:

Jovan Greyhawk-Device. Per pale azure and gules, two make griffins combatant OR, spiked argent.

Robin of Vatavia-Holding name and Device. Vert honeycombed, two bees in fess and a chief Or.

Vatavia, Barony of Badge for the Baronial Guard.

Azure, a dragonfly between two daggers inverted in pile Or, a bordure coutercompony azure and OR.

Vatavia, Baron of Badge for the Baronial Archer Guard. Azure, a dragonfly between two arrows in pile Or, a bordure compony argent and gules.

Congratulation to these Good Gentles and our Barony.

The following was returned by Laurel for violation with the Rules of Submission:

Arthur Bromere-Device. Perfess enarched sable and gules, a lion passant guardant Or maintaining a heart, in chief three arrows inverted argent.

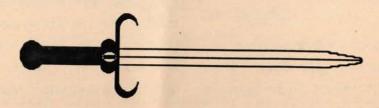
We invite this gentle to consult with us and resubmit as soon as possible.

Finally, please, please tell in writing if you receive an award or victory at an event I am not at. This is essential to keeping the OP accurate and assists me in preparing the court agenda for Their Excellencies.

As always, I am here to be of service to you, the populace of the Barony. Please let me know how the office of Caltrop can better serve your needs.

To the Dream,

Eff



#### KNIGHT-MARSHALL

My apologies for not writing sooner, but organizational duties have occupied much of my time of late.

I would like to welcome all the new fighters, and inform you all that tentatively we are planning the second Sunday of each month as a teaching day. As with regular fighter practice, this will happen at the north end of Linwood Park. On these Sundays, experienced fighters will devote their time to your instruction. All fighters are encouraged to participate in this training program.

You may have noticed many changes in the Marshallate. These changes are designed to make fighter practice more enjoyable, accessible and educational. These are your fighter practices, and it is your participation that makes them happen. If there is anything I can do to make the fighting experience in this Barony better, or if you have any ides or suggestions at all, feel free to contact me at fighter practice.

A note to the non-fighters: We enjoy your company at fighter practice, so please come out on Sunday. Show off your A&S projects, bring your friends and family, and enjoy a day at the park.

Finally, I stuck by foot in my mouth at the last Populace. In trying to encourage the lighters to make more money at Bash-A-Knight, I accepted a challenge from the escemed Archer Marshall. To make a long story short, the Baronage is donating a barrel of beverage" to the booth that makes the most money at Renn Faire. This is a call to all Vatavians to come out and put your time and efforts into your layorite activity at the Faire. . .especially fighters!

In service to the Fighting Vatavians

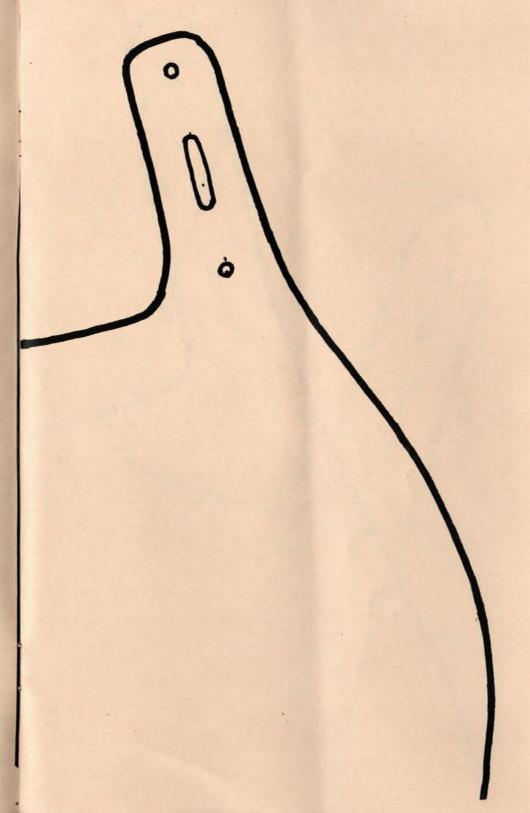
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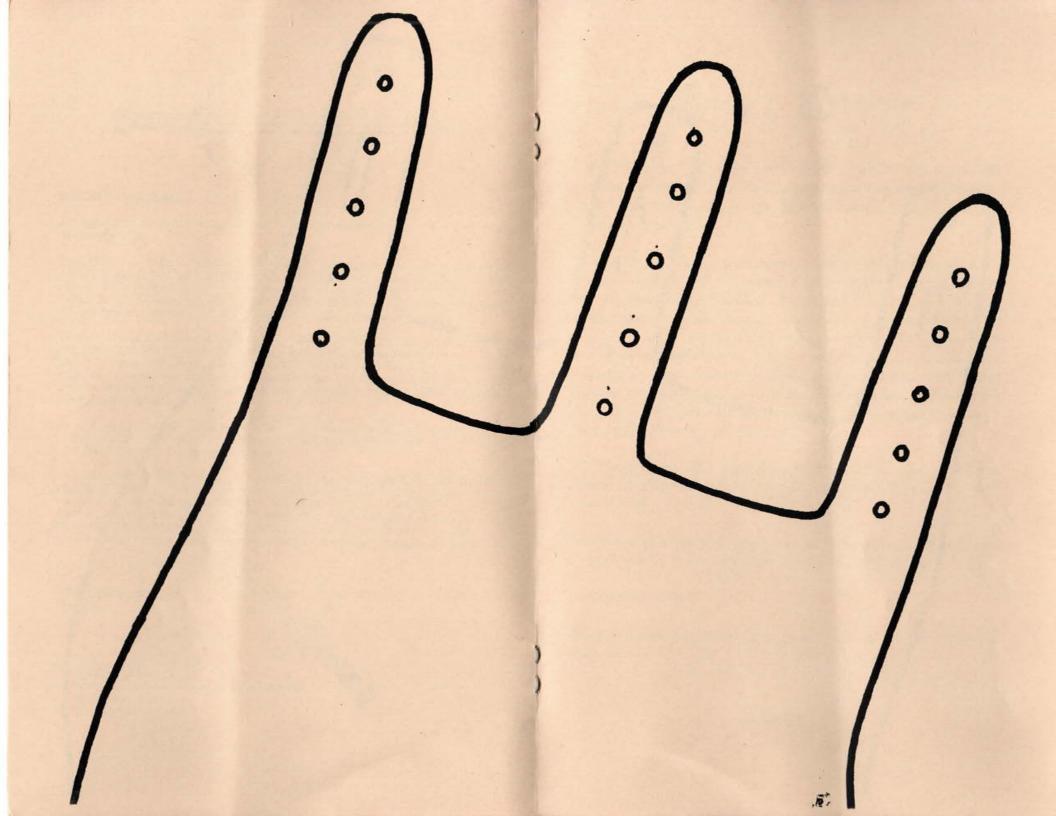
Deputies

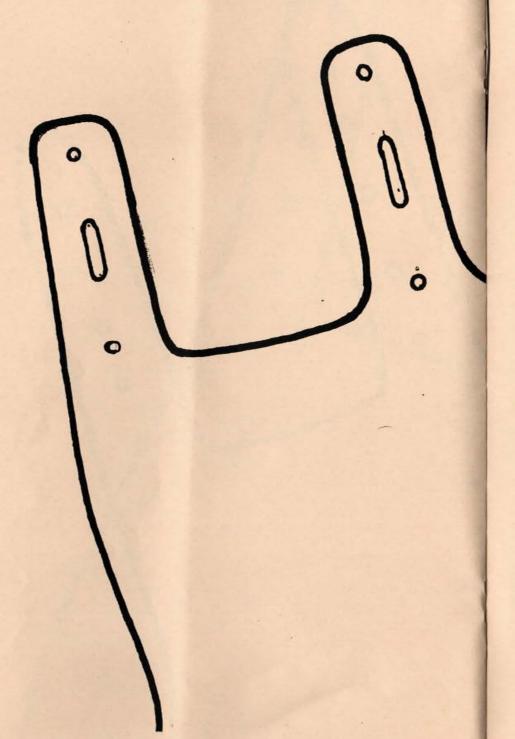
Training: Tedrick, Raven Publishing: Niall

Marshall in Training: Rys, Bjorn, Gabhin

List Mistress: Brialen Demo: Lawce The Leech







# Oyez Oyez

Most Benevolent King Stephen was foully murdered in an obscure site north of Crescent Moon in front of a shocked populace by a mysterious fighter clad in dark armor who suddenly appeared and treacherously struck down our Handsome King Stephen.

Moving swiftly, the Royal Champions seized the foul, treacherous fiend. Huscarls tearfully gathered around to offer support to the beloved, yet mortally wounded King Stephen. His fierce, yet compassionate Warrior Queen listened to his last, gasping, requests. As her King had breathed his last; our vengeful, but luminously beautiful Queen pulled a sword and struck the dastardly traitor down. Grief-stricken, Queen Lilia then conferred with her advisors and indicated she was so devastated by sorrow that she could not continue. Many eyes filled with tears at these events. Heirs to Calontir were summoned and asked if they were willing to assume their duties. Bravely they replied 'they would'.

Lamenting Queen Lilia stood silent as Prince Christopher Kensor and Princess Braden were crowned. Grief-sticken, yet enchanting Lilia was off to a convent.

During this time it was discovered that the vicious traitors body had been smuggled away. Alas, we know not who did this dastardly deed.

\*\* Chronicler's Note \*\*

As all Vatavians are present and accounted for, none are suspected in this Kings death.

TYL

Greetings unto the populace of V.atavia:

I am going to interview candidates for a deputy, so if you are interested in the position you need to get a letter of intent to me before Champions Tourney, I will be easy to find.

Speaking of Champions Tourney, even if you do not desire to be the next Champion of Arts and Sciences, I still encourage you to enter anything you have made in the

last 6 months, I will give a prize for single entries. you want to compete for Champion of Vatavia in the Arts



and Sciences, you need one of either Arts or Sciences and two of the other. I strongly encourage it!

To avoid confusion, including myself, within this newsletter you will find --straight from my handbook is a listing of what is an Art and What is a Science.

In Service, MRK

Thank You to Yorick Bennet Youvone for 'Art Work' included in this issue.

SCIENCES:

### Instructions for Bracer by Arthur Bromere

The bracer is worn to protect the forearm against string abrasion from the bow.

The armguard is made of 6 to 9 oz. tooling leather, which can be purchased from Tandy Leather. The tools needed are as follows:

(1) a variable hole leather punch. (2) a sharp craft knife able to cut leather, or a pair of leather scissors. (3) an edge beveler. (4) Thee 1inch buckles. (6) A small bottle of leather dye, and a bottle of Tandy Super Sheen leather finish. (7) Optional: enough lace to finish the edge and a lace punch.

#### Step 1

Take the pattern from the Dragonflyre and trace it to a sturdy piece of poster board, check the fit, if the pattern is too small then increase the height and width, DO NOT INCREASE THE SIZE OF THE STRAPS. If the pattern is too large then decrease the height and width. A gap of 1' is normal.

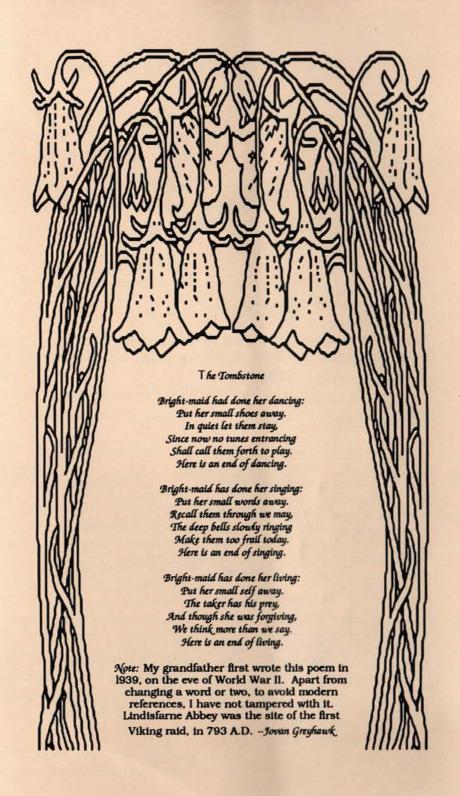
Step 2

Place your pattern onto the back or rough side of the leather, making sure it is for the proper arm. Left arm for right handed, Right arm for left handed archers.

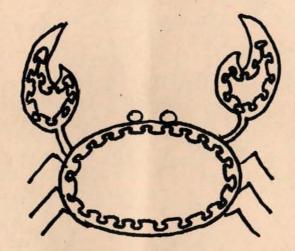
Step 3

After the pattern has been traced to the leather then carefully cut the pattern out. Take the leather punch and punch the holes for the buckles and rivets. On the buckle holes punch two holes at each end and with an exacto knife remove the leather between them. Take the edge beveler and bevel the edge all the way around. Attach the buckles and rivets. If you wish you may then lace the edges and place your designs on the armguard.

Your bracer is now completed.



### CRAB (NEBULY)



For information not listed below, please theck the Serf-line (522-7373) after the officer's meeting of each month OR call the appropriate contact/guild person.

#### Build/Contact People

Calligraphy/Illumination-

Sean MacDuinchann

Chris Brown

721-7764

Choral-

Eleanor ferch Rhiwallon

Wendy C. Donaldson

672-7630

Costuming-

Annys de Vernun of Kettering

A. Marie Watson

755-1917

Dance

Galen MacDonald

Mark Donaldson

672-7630

Embroidery-

Sibeal O'h' Ogain

Lynda Coffman

265-4643

Weaving

Saerlaith nic Ulliam O'Ceallaigh

Devery Corteville

687-3241

### CHAMPIONS

For the A&S competition, all entries will be judged according to the Calontir Kingdom Judging Criteria.

Those competing for A&S Champion must enter at least 2 items in at least 3 A&S categories. These item(s) must be entered in both arts and sciences categories. That is to say, the item(s) may not be all science entries or all arts entries.

Single entries are allowed for either judging or comment.

Special prizes will be awarded for cooking and Byzintine research.

Erik will award a special prize for single entries.

Bardic Competition will begin with sign up at the Champions Registry until 2:30 p.m.. Competition will begin at 3:00 p.m. for the 1st and 2nd round. Judging will be by the Baronage and one past Bardic Champion as well as the Current Champion.

Round Three will be held at Feast. Judging will be as afore mentioned, additionally populace (aka popular) acclaim will be considered.

Entries for competition will be vocal renditions of Song or Poetry or Story

(Saga, etc). Instruments may be used for back up and /or enhancement of the vocal rendition. Period instruments are encouraged but not required.

Entries must fall into three categories,
Period Work, Newly Composed

Period Work, SCA oriented in Period Form, and SCA Filk,

Of the three competition pieces two of the three categories must be used and 2 of the forms must be included.

The last requirement is that one story, poem or song must use Valor B as the subject matter.

Bards of Vatavia,

This Championship competition ends my reign as Champion for I shall not compete. I sincerely hope that many of you will undertake this opportunity to compete for the title. Come and partake as it is a fine thing to support our bardic endeavors and enrich our Baronies arts.

I assure you all that had circumstances been different, my time of service would have been more productive. I can only offer to assist my successor in any way I can.

Vivat Zavak Vivat, For The Dream --- Elwyn

### The Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc. MEDICAL AUTHORIZATION FOR MINORS

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guardian of	a minor, do
hereby authorize any one or more of	
as agents for myself in my absence examination and anesthetic, medica medical care which is deemed advis general or special supervision of any provisions of the Medical Practice	or incapacitation to consent to any X-Ray I or surgical diagnosis or treatment and able by and is to be rendered under the physician or surgeon licensed under the Act on the medical staff of any hospital eatment is rendered at the office of said
authority and power on the part of consent to any and all such diag	tion is given in advance of any specific to being required but is given to provide of the aforesaid agents to give specific mosis, treatment or hospital care which ercise of his or her best judgment may
I hereby authorize any hospital which named minor to surrender physical coagents upon the completion of treatments.	ch has provided treatment to the above- ustody of such minor to the above-named nent.
These authorizations shall remain e unless sooner revoked in writing deli	ffective until
Please note any specific health p membership or policy numbers on the	rent or Legal Guardian plan or insurance information such as a back of this form.

Copies of this form, duly executed, should be in the possession of the named minor; at least one adult named in the document and present at the event; and the parent or guardian executing the Medical Authorization.

The SCA requires minor participants (i.e., those having to have waivers) whose parents or legal guardians are not present at the event to have a valid Medical Authorization form. The SCA recommends use of the Medical Authorization for all minors whose parents or legal guardians are not present.

## First Aide for Camping by Lady Sibeal

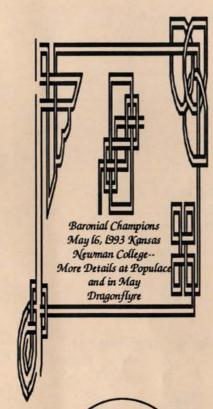
Listed below you will find a list of supplies from which you will be able to create a good basic kit to pack. All of the items will fit in a zip lock bag. Everything is pretty self explanatory with perhaps the exception of "corn pads" which are great to place over blisters.

For your own safety, if you are allergic to "something"; "anything", such as Tibetan Tetsee Flies, or if you are diabetic or pregnant always let someone know.

Keep any prescription medicine separate.

This is a very stripped down list but a good starting point. Add to it as you need and can afford to.

Bandaides
Tweezers (Sharp Pointed for Splinters)
Antibiotic Ointment
Caladryl
Aspirin or Tylenol
Large Corn Pads
Sunscreen
Eyedrops



Deadline for
May Issue of
Dragonflyre will
be April
Populace,
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all submissions
must be in
writing-Thank
you all for your
support.



#### Baronial Officers List Continued

Minister of Arts Deputies Cont. Fergus MacRhuari Glas Robert McMillen

n/p

#### Minister of Sciences

Erik, son of Asvald

Thomas W. West 263-1079

Deputies Open

#### Minister of Children

Open

#### Archer Marshall

Thomas Foxmoor

Anthony Jennings 788-0408 Deputy Open

#### Baronial Champions

Bardic Champion

Elwyn of Vatavia



#### Arts & Sciences

Champion Open

#### Champion

Ragnar Wolferesson Don Beckstrom 263-1546

#### Luchistnick

Balroc Igorsson Steve Stuhlsatz 529-4834

#### Announcements

Populace Meeting Wednesday, April 21

7:00

-- At Kansas Newman--

Renn Fairre Set Up Thursday, April 22

6:30-8:30 P.M.

Renn Fairre Education Day Friday, April 23

8:00-4:00

Renn Fairre

Saturday, April 24

8:30-7:00

Renn Fairre Sunday, April 25

8:30-8:00

Dance

Wednesdays

Fighter Practice

Sundays

1:00-2222

Fighter Practice 2nd Sunday in May

'Teaching'

Fighter Practice 3rd Sunday in April

Seminar Day

Submission for May Dragonflure Accepted Not Later Than Populace April 21 All Submissions Must Be In Writtern Form.

#### Baronial Officers List Baron Gwayne ap Tristam 524-0917 Wayne Taylor Baroness Brialen Ulfsdotter Vikings **Debbie Tayor** 524-0917 Seneschale Ala of Featherstone 721-7764 Carol Jared Brown Deputy Sibeal O'H' Ogain Lynda Coffman 265-4643 Chatelaine Aindries Historian Friar Thomas Bacon 685-1182 David Moreno Property Mistress Sibeal O'H' Ogain 265-4643 Lynda Coffman Regalia Coordinator Cethlenn nic Ruaidrhi 685-1182 **Amy Billington** Treasurer Lora Anne the Silent Lorinda Watson 755-4775 Deputy Eckerick von Stromberg John Platz 684-1953 Caltrop Eleanor ferch Rhiwallon Wendy Donaldson 672-7630 Chronicler Deidre ni corc O'Bierne 686-4090 Patricia Riemann Anights Marshall Magnus O'Carr (Torin) 838-5149 Casey Carson Minister of Arts Galen MacDonald Mark Donaldson 672-7630 Deputies Alexandria ferch Allene Rhonda Allen 682-2455