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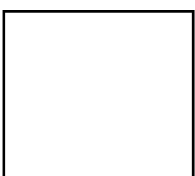
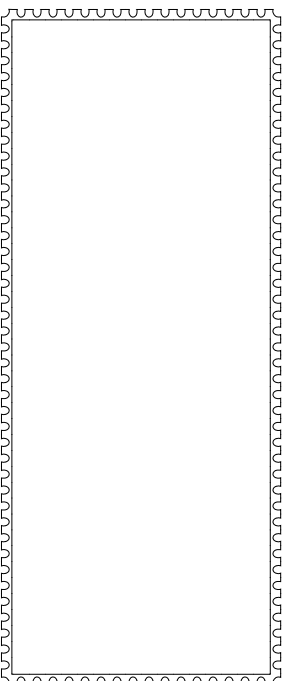
Newsletter of the Barony of Loch Salann



Loch Salann's new Baron and Baroness

May 2001 ~ AS XXXVI

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Upcoming Events/Kingdom Planning Calendar:

May (AS XXXVI)

5	Loch Salann	Kingdom Arts and Sciences
19	Arn Hold	May Day Carosello
19	Silver Keep	Arts&Sciences Champion
26	Otherhill	Shire Birthday
26	Gryphon's Lair	Quest

June

2-3	Loch Salann	Melee Madness
7-10	1000 Eyes	Uprising XV
23	Arn Hold	Oasis Under the Stars
23	Dael Beorht	Camping Quest
30	Sinking Waters	Hell's Rain Fencing Tourney

July

2	Gryphon's Lair	Midge Marsh Melee
7	Dragon's Rest	Cutpurse Tourney
20-22	Stan Wyrn	Dragon's Tear

August

3-19	East Kingdom (Pennsylvania)	Pennsic War 30
10-12	Loch Salann & Dragon's Rest	Artemisian Games
17-19	Silver Keep & Dragon's Rest	Castle Siege

September

22	Cote du Ciel	Harvest War
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October

20	Loch Salann	Baroness' Champion/Arts & Sciences
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November

3	Cote du Ciel	Equestrian Championship
3	Loch Salann & College of Arrow's Flight	Toys for Tots
24	Gryphon's Lair	Leftovers Tourney

December

1	Stan Wyrn	Yule Revel: Arts & Sciences event and Toys for Tots gift collection
8	Loch Salann	Winter Solstice Court

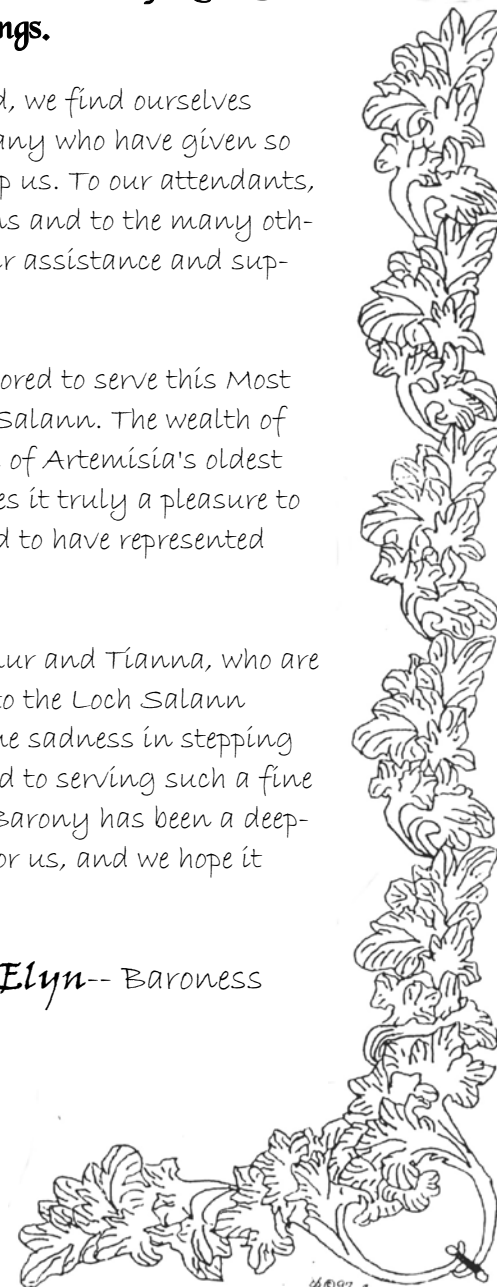
Unto all who read these words do Niccolo and Elyn, Baron and Baroness of Loch Salann, send fondest greetings.

As our reign nears its end, we find ourselves deeply grateful for the many who have given so much of themselves to help us. To our attendants, our officers, our champions and to the many others who have given us their assistance and support, we give thanks.

We have been greatly honored to serve this Most Ancient Barony of Loch Salann. The wealth of knowledge and experience of Artemisia's oldest and largest Barony makes it truly a pleasure to rule here, and we are proud to have represented such a fine group.

Congratulations to Timmur and Tianna, who are soon to be our successors to the Loch Salann thrones. While we feel some sadness in stepping down, we also look forward to serving such a fine couple. Representing the Barony has been a deeply rewarding experience for us, and we hope it may be so for them also.

Niccolo-- Baron Elyn-- Baroness



New Baron and Baroness:

Congratulations to HL Timmur ana Mihn Ramel and Lady Tiana NiCoiman who were chosen by Their Majesties and the Populous to be the next Baron and Baroness of Loch Salann.

They will be stepping up at Kingdom Arts and Sciences on May 5th. We are most grateful to Their Excellencies Niccolo and Elyn for their tenure and efforts on behalf of the Barony. Their stepping down will also be at Kingdom Arts and Sciences.

Thank you to all of the candidates who were willing to put their names in to serve our great Barony.

Seneschal's Letter,

Greetings Unto the Populace of Loch Salann
Lady Meghan of Clan Sutherland sends greetings.

This missive is a cry for your help. Please make plans to attend the Populace Meeting on the night of May 9th, at Evergreen Jr. High. This meeting is the most important meeting of the year, as this meeting sets the schedule for the year 2002.

It is only with your help and advice that the officers can continue to guide this Barony in the direction that you, the Populace, want it to go. As has been said many times, "This is your Barony" we need to know your wishes and desires.

This will be the first official contact you will have with your New Baron and Baroness. I am sure that they will welcome your ideas and concerns.

In Service to The Dream

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--- In artemisia@y..., "Leonard Mackey" <lmackey@s...> wrote:

All ye preparing to join for war at **Uprising XV** - I offer ye the opportunity to join in the fun while I prepare royal feasts.

For a small fee, I will prepare for you five fine meals on Friday night, all day Saturday, and Sunday morning opening the way for you to enjoy the festivities, battles, and dancing.

If you are interested, please reply to me via this magical mail. The menu is attached and the fee for the weekend will be as follows:

Knights, Ladies and others of the age of 12 and above: \$25.00
Kinder between the ages of 4 and 11: \$15.00 with a paying adult
Kinder below 0 and 3: Free with a paying adult

Please make your reservations by May 25, 2001. Please indicate on Saturday evening's meal poultry or beef. A limited number of meal tickets may be available on site for \$30 on first come basis. Upon receipt of payment, the magic mail will contain your confirmation letter. Bring it to war as your meal ticket. We shall plan a kitchen camp in a centralized locale so that all can feast together and hours of operation will be posted.

Leonard Mackey & Lady Alya
intimate_settings@s...
435-787-8681

Uprising XV June 7 - 10, 2001

Breakfast: Bacon, Eggs, Hash browns, Pancakes & Syrup, Butter, Milk,
Apple juice, Orange juice, Coffee

Lunch: Beef, Chicken & Turkey shish kabobs, Bread sticks, Soda pop
Dinner:

FRIDAY: Dutch oven BBQ meat & Potatoes, Corn on the cob, Salad, Rolls,
Desert, Drinks

SATURDAY: Smoked poultry or beef, Roasted red potatoes & vegetables,
Bread Sticks, Soup, Desert, Drinks

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**General Uprising Information can be found on the event website at:
www.uprisingwar.org**

Belated Congratulations

Hamish MacKellar was also awarded a DUCK at Defender Tourney but I missed mentioning him in last month's issue.

A LARC and a CYGNET were also awarded at this event, but I missed the names...

General Announcements:

We are putting an Autocrat's Handbook together for our local event sites. If you have insight or advice to share, please send it to the Chronicler who will be compiling the information.

Deputies are still needed for the following positions: Quartermaster, Herald, and Rapier. With the upcoming change in Seneschal, we are also calling for letters of intent for a deputy to the new Seneschal. Please talk to any of these officers if you need/want more information.

Year 2002 Event Planning/Populace Meeting:

May 9th at Evergreen Jr. High School, 3401 S. 2000 E., from 6:30-9:00, in the Cafeteria. Fighter's practice will be cancelled on this Wednesday while we hold the meeting. This is the planning meeting for picking events and dates for the upcoming 2002 calendar.

Announcing: Crown Journey Results, April 7, 2001

Greetings Artemisia from the Kingdom Web Minister:

I write to you from the Shire of Stan Wyrn, having just come off the list field after witnessing the most excellent tournament for the Crown of Artemisia.

After a list that featured 31 fighters and their consorts, 8 good Knights of the Society advanced to the quarter finals; from which four advanced to the semi-finals, being the following:

- Sir Konrad von Krixen - Sir Conrad von Zuberbuehler
- Sir John - Sir Brahim

All fought well in best-two-out-of-three format, with these advancing to the final round:

- Sir Brahim, fighting for the honor of his lady, Countess Alyn de Clare, both of the Barony of Sentinels' Keep.
- His Excellency Sir Konrad von Krixen, fighting for the honor of his lady, Her Excellency Kortland Stirling Mayfaire; current Baron and Baroness of Arn Hold.

Both couples were heralded onto the field with much pomp and were presented to Their Majesties and the populace assembled (a great and numerous crowd, enjoying a warm and sunny April day).

The final round commenced, with each taking one victory quickly. Then, the two returned to battle and Sir Konrad emerged victorious. Investiture of the new Crown Prince and Princess will be this evening at court.

For the glory of Artemisia, Vivat to the victors, Their Excellencies Sir Konrad and Mistress Kortland, and to all who participated this day!

In service,

Lord Mstislav Novgorodskii

Web Minister, Kingdom of Artemisia (as reported on the Aerie)

Minister of Arts & Sciences Report

See you all at Kingdom Arts and Science Competition on May 5. Hope to see wonderous works from our local artisans there.

Lady Constance de la Rose

MOAS

From the Knight Marshal

Greetings kind gentles of our fair Barony of Loch Salann

Fighter practice on May 9 is canceled, instead there will be a populous meeting in the cafeteria of Evergreen Junior High School (3401S 2000E), our regular fighting spot.

The following Wednesday (May 16), we will move to Sugarhouse park to exchange gentle courtesies out in the fresh air.

Christoph von Lubbekke

Knight Marshal, Barony of Loch Salann

Chronicler's Report

Thank you to those who have provided me with information for the Autocrat's Handbook. I still need more personal anecdotes from past Autocrats so that others may learn from your successes and mistakes.

I will have some copies of the information compiled so far to hand out to those interested at the Populace Meeting on May 5th. Come talk to me if you would like a copy of this info.

Check those labels. While we had several people renew in April, there were quite a few subscriptions that expired in April and May. Yours might be one of them...

In Service

Lady Rhianna ingen Cathail

Sheriff Report

The following items are currently in our lost and found:

- 2 pairs of shoes
- 1 wool hood red with black fur trim
- 1 large white ceramic mug
- 1 exposed roll of film in container

If you wish to identify and claim any of these items, contact me. I will also have them at Collegium and at Kingdom Arts and Sciences Competition if you wish to claim them there.

Lord Draco de la Rose

Sheriff
(801) 280-1276 lrdelect@aol.com

(more items were left at Defender Tourney and will be listed later)

Baronial Defenders Tournament/Birthday Event Report:

IN COMING

Site & Feasts – 95 x \$15.00 = \$1425.00

Site Only – Adults: 50 x \$5.00 = \$250.00

Children: 13x \$3.00 = \$39.00

Total: \$1714.00

GRAND TOTAL \$1714.00

OUT GOING

Site Rental & Feast: \$1912.20

Site Tokens: \$50.00

GRAND TOTAL \$1962.20

FINAL TOTAL: LOSS: \$248.20

Fund Raisers

Live Auction: \$488.76

Bag Raffle: \$54.00

Total: \$542.76

Event Notes from the Chronicler:

The ceremony for the change in Baronage will take place at Kingdom Arts and Sciences. Baronial Court may be held in the morning with Kingdom Court in the evening, but plans have not been finalized at this time. If you would like to bring decorations for the hall, please bring the type that can be suspended from frames rather than being fastened to the walls. The walls will not hold tape or tacks. Also, please bring chairs to sit on. The autocrat is still requesting dessert donations for the auction to benefit the Boys and Girls Club.

Loch Salann Melee Madness

June 2-3, 2001 Barony of Loch Salann Provo, UT

Over 19 years in one place, enjoyed by hundreds! My, how time flies! Yes, **once again** the annual Loch Salann Melee Madness event will occur June 2-3 at its ancient and honorable site at the castle in back of the Utah State Hospital in Provo, Utah. The site will officially OPEN by 8:00 a.m. on Sat., and **CLOSE** around sunset on Sunday; however, those who are camping onsite may set up Fri. night after 7:30 (check with the event steward). Opening announcements are tentatively planned for 10:30 a.m. on Sat. (or whenever HE Timmur and the event steward think that enough fighters have shown up). In keeping with sacred, honored and moss-covered tradition, the mood of the event will be laid-back and mellow. The rule of combat for the Saturday activities is no one-on-one battles; i.e., all challenges must have a minimum of two fighters vs. one. With luck the staircase and ramp battles might be run a little differently this year (depending on the number of fighters present), but fighters are still strongly encouraged to create their own situations and complications. To get in the most fighting, the earlier the fighters begin fighting, the better (and cooler) it will be; take the hint. Sunday morning, there will be a pas d'armes held by HL Kyle and HL Isabeau; see him for details.

If you've ever wanted to run/sponsor and activity/contest (fighting or non-fighting) this is the place to do it; just clear it with the autocrat and appropriate coordinator. Even though this year's event will be a 2-day activity, participants are encouraged to come early, and bring picnic lunches and sunshades/tents (although there are numerous shade trees). This is a **very** dry site! Because this is a state facility, anyone bringing alcoholic beverages onsite or found to be in an inebriated condition will be politely asked to leave immediately! Merchants for provisions and gastronomic repasts are only 2-3 minutes away, and while open fires are not permitted, hibachis and gas grills are. Pets are welcome if accompanied by responsible owners. Cars can be unloaded at the field, but must be parked in the lot at the bottom of the hill (about 200 ft. away) immediately afterwards.

The SITE FEE is \$5.00 for adults and children 13 yrs. Old and older (babes in arms are free and pregnant ladies get a \$1 rebate); per **family** price cap of \$20 (not household!). Make checks payable to "Barony of Loch Salann, SCA Inc."

DIRECTIONS: Take I-15 to the Provo Center Street exit; drive east on Center St. (about 2 miles) and enter the hospital grounds. Continue east and turn left at the large planter in the road; follow the road around and up to the castle area (the "off limits" signs aren't meant for us).

P.S. bring your cameras, it's one of the area's most beautiful sites (sights?)

Event steward/fighting Coordinator: Sir Michael the Lucky (Michael Huston), 801-394-2433, e-mail: sirmll@hotmail.com or sirmll@aol.com

Non-fighting activities Coordinator: Mistress Bengta Rolfsdottir (Karen Slutz), 801-394-2433

Pas d' Armes Coordinator: HL William Kyle of the Wilderness, 801-298-1356

Kingdom Arts and Sciences

May 5th Barony of Loch Salann SLC, UT

Gentle Nobles of Artemisia, Their Majesties have commanded that we hold an Arts & Sciences competition to determine who the most glorious artist in land would be. They have selected Loch Salann, the first Barony of Artemisia, to hold this competition.

We will be having a Laurel's display. All Laurels are requested by Their Majesties to try and participate. There will also be a dessert auction to benefit the Boys and Girl's club in the evening after the Dinner break. This will be a live auction so come prepared to vie for your favorites. If you are interested in bringing a dessert to donate to the auction please call Mistress Heloys.

Dame Varia Goffe, Kingdom Arts & Sciences Minister, requests that all writing entries of more than 10 pages be received by her no later than April 21 or they will not be considered for entry NO EXCEPTIONS (email will be acceptable as well as snail mail). A good kitchen is also available to entries of food.

The activities of the day will follow this schedule, subject to change by will of the Crown:

9am-10am	set-up for artisans
10:30am- 4pm	judging
12pm- 1pm	Free soup lunch for all
5pm- 7pm	dinner break
7pm- 11pm	Dessert Auction and Laurel's Display

Court will be at the whim of the Crown. Because of site restrictions, entries for animal husbandry and brewing as well as video entries will need to contact Dame Varia ASAP. The site is DRY and there are no pets and no smoking within 20 feet of the doors. The autocrat MUST clear any activities outside of those listed in the schedule.

Site fee: \$4.00 for members, \$6.00 for non-members, children 12 and under are free.

There will be no feast, but there are lots of eating places nearby and a lengthy dinner break. If you would like a flyer with names, addresses, phone numbers and whether or not they take reservations please send an SASE to the autocrat. These flyers will also be available at the event.

Directions: From I-15 north or south take the 2100 South exit and go East to 900 east. Turn right. Sugarmount Dr. will be on your left and the site will be the first building on the south side of the street. Signs will be posted.

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Minister of Arts and Sciences: Dame Varia Goffe (Linda Hanson) 449 S. Post St. SLC, UT 84104 (801) 517-4153. varki@aros.net

Letters of Intent

Lady Meghan will be stepping down the end of June. Letters of intent for **Seneschal should be received by her no later than May 1st.

Lady Morag our **Reeve will be stepping down in October. She is requesting letters of intent now to give her time to find a replacement and spend some time working with them before her warrant is up. Deadline for letters of intent for Reeve is Sept. 1, 2001.

We are also requesting letters of intent for the position of **Hospital-ler. The deadline for letters to be received by Their Excellencies, the Seneschal and the Kingdom Hospitaller is June 18, 2001.

Geoffrey IV, Count of Anjou, the First Plantagenet

(part one)

By Fiona the Norseman's Daughter

Count Geoffrey IV of Anjou—never a king—by an accident of marriage provided his nickname as name to one of the longest, most powerful dynasties in English history. After the loss of his son William, Henry I engineered the marriage of his daughter Matilda, widow of Holy Roman Emperor Henry V and Empress at age 26 to County Geoffrey to put her in a better position to follow him to the throne on his death. Matilda despised her 15-year-old second husband. Geoffrey disliked Matilda, as well. Count Geoffrey himself came from a distinguished line. His father, Fulk, had made the Angevin lands of Anjou, Touraine, and Maine equal in resources to Normandy and died in 1143 as King of Jerusalem. Geoffrey did not involve himself in his wife's attempt to take the throne of England; he was occupied at the time with the conquest of Normandy. He also liked to hunt, however and caused broom plant to be grown extensively on his estates to provide cover for his quarry—broom, *planta genesta*, became associated with Geoffrey and his line.

Though Henry's nobles swore to support Matilda to the throne, there was another claimant to the throne, Stephen of Blois, also a grandchild of William the Conqueror by William's daughter Adela. And Stephen appealed to the Norman nobility more than did the daughter of the king. He was also in the right place at the right time when Henry I died on December 1, 1135. Matilda was in Anjou when her father died; Stephen was closer, in Blois. He made his way quickly to London where his brother Henry, was Bishop of Winchester. With the Bishop's help, Stephen was crowned and anointed king.

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Matilda entered England in 1139 to claim her throne, beginning a lengthy civil war. Her most stalwart supported was her half-brother, Robert of Gloucester, one of Henry I's many illegitimate sons and an able soldier. In 1141, Stephen was captured at the Battle of Lincoln; his own brother went over to Matilda's side. Though uncrowned, Matilda was in control of England. The city of London, however, grew tired of Matilda's arrogance and turned her out of their city. She was forced to free Stephen and the civil war continued.

Robert of Gloucester died in 1147; his place in the leadership of Matilda's forces was taken by her son, Henry, though he was just fifteen. Though he and his men were defeated by Stephen and he was forced to retreat to Normandy, he was back before long. Matilda, however, retired to Anjou in 1148 and never again set foot in England. In 1153, Stephen made Henry his adopted son by treaty—his one legitimate son Eustace died that year—and appointed heir.

Though they spent much of their time waging war, both in England and in France, Matilda and Geoffrey did manage to spend some time together. They produced three children between them:

Henry II, FitzEmpress, Curtmantle, King of England, b. 25 March 1133

Geoffrey VI of Anjou, Count of Nantes and Anjou, b. 1 June 1134

William, Count of Poitou, b. 1136

Geoffrey had at least three other children, two by Ermengard of Maine and one by Adelaïd of Angers



On the Spring festival of *Mayday* by m'lord Douglass

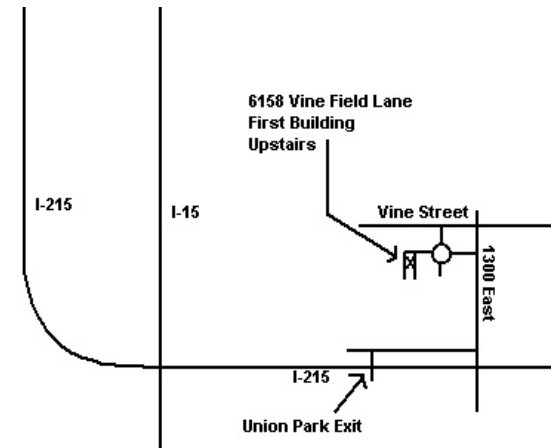
The coming of May brings with it the start of spring. Here in our modern world this passes without much notice. In the Middle Ages it was a time of celebration, and a reawaking of the spirits that dwell in the earth and make the harvest rich.

May: Mayday

Marvelous Mayday's customs and costumes, decorations and dances, and delectable green foods signal the change of seasons. Many Mayday rituals are remembrances of pagan attempts to force spring to return to the

Map to Clothier's Guild:

6158 S. Vine Field Lane
If you have any questions
give me a call at 281-2579.
In service to the Barony,
Mistress Heloys de Bec



Clothier's and Scribe's Guild:

Unto the populace of Loch Salann does Mistress Heloys de Bec send greetings.

Clothier's Guild is now meeting at my home on the second and last Mondays of every month. So far we have been doing research and working on various projects. Please join us if you are interested, all are welcome. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me. I will also be hosting Scribe's Guild for all of those interested in learning more about calligraphy and illumination and participating in projects for the Kingdom and the Barony. The first meeting will be on Sunday May 27th and will go from 1pm to 4pm.

Hope to see you there,
Heloys

Archery Practice:

May's archery practices will be on the 10th and the 24th at the Lee Kay Center. Practice will start around 6:30 pm. The address is 6000 W. 2100 S. Cost is \$2 to shoot, targets will be about \$1. Bring your bug spray! This is an outdoor range, so if the weather is bad (rain, snow, high winds), practice will be canceled. *Amy*

Quest for Camelot 3 (out of area event)

May 17-20, 2001 Nemo Guest Ranch Nemo, South Dakota
Quest for Camelot is sponsored by the SCA Shire of Schattentor, Rapid City SD. Autocrats are Lord Fiskr & Lady Brigid (mka Jon & Pat Larsen). Please contact us with any questions or comments at our home until 9 p.m. Mountain Time (605) 642-8014 or by email, indigo@rushmore.com.
Event Website: <http://www.indigofish.com/Schattentor/quest2001.htm>

From the Cook's Corner

On the evening of April 3, 2001, four members of the Baronial Cook's Guild gathered at the home of His Lordship Vogg, to prepare a fabulous Polish meal. The preparation were handled by His Lordship Vogg, Mistress Casamira, Master Edward and Mistress Margaret.

This meal consisted of Kleik z Rzepy (Turnip Gruel), Bigos (Game Stewed with Sauerkraut), Kluski z Bryndza (Cheese Dumplings) and Gruszki Duszone z Ogorkami i Figami (Pears Stewed with Cucumbers and Figs). All of these recipes came from a wonderful book "Food and Drink in Medieval Poland....Rediscovering a Cuisine of the Past" by Maria Dembinska.

After much good food, and great company, we chose the following recipe to share. Trust us it tastes much better than it sounds. If Ebenezer Scrooge ate gruel that tasted like this he should have been a much happier man.

Kleik z Rzepy (Turnip Gruel)

2 ounces (6 to 8 slices) bread
1 1/2 cup wheat beer
2 pounds turnips, pared and cubed
2 medium onions, chopped
1 quart beef stock
2 cups chopped parsley
2 ounces lightly salted butter
1 Tablespoon honey
3 Tablespoons cider vinegar
3/4 teaspoon ground anise
Salt to taste

Soak the bread in the beer for at least 2 hours or until soft. Put the turnips, onion, and beef stock in a deep saucepan with the beer and bread and cook over medium heat for 20 minutes. Add the parsley and cook an additional 10 minutes. Puree the mixture in a food processor until thick and batter like (the medieval method was to pound it in a mortar). Return this mixture to the pan and add the butter, honey and anise. Cook over medium heat until thoroughly heated, then season and serve immediately.

Hope you enjoy this recipe. The Cook's Guild welcomes anyone who wishes to attend. We usually meet the FIRST Tuesday of each month. For more information contact Lordship Vogg at 260-1939, Master Edward at 571-3678 or visit the Baronial Web Site. In May, the meal will be under the direction of Master and Mistress Mendeith. We'd LOVE to see you there.

Happy Eating, The Cook's Guild

world. Dancers stamp the ground to reawaken it, and shrill May horns, loud May whistles, and tinkling may bells alert sleeping spirits of fields and forest to the changing seasons. At the center of the revelry is the Maypole. It is a tall strong shaft, crowned with garlands of leaves and flowers, and wound round with brightly colored ribbons. It resembles a giant tree. Near it, the Queen of the May is crowned. Around it, she leads circle dances. The Maypole contest identifies the strongest, tallest, swiftest, prettiest, bravest, smallest, loudest, and best. These Mayday champions place small bells on the Maypole. Ceremonies encourage the "guardian of trees" to create abundance.

Maypoles:

Many towns and cities have Maypoles so tall and heavy. (Some rise 90 feet into the air) They must be anchored deeply into the ground / these poles remain standing throughout the year. Only on Mayday are they decorated with their flower crowns, ribbons, and streamers. The fine old London church with the odd name of St. Andrew Undershaft stands small beneath a Mayshaft. Smaller Maypoles are set up for Maydays and taken down between. They are placed where space is large enough for dancing and festivity, outdoors or indoors.

The decorations were varied and wide they included wreaths and hoops for the hall as well as green Baldrics and wreaths for the guest. The Wreaths for the halls were quite like our mundane Christmas wreaths and they were hung on the windows and doors announcing the Joyous season to all who see them. The hoops were gaily decorated with ribbons and bells. The wreaths for the guest contained green leaves and flowers and were pinned to the hair or skullcaps.

The Queen of the May:

A fanfare introduces the Surveyor's crowning of the Queen of the May. She may be the prettiest or youngest or tallest or even the most Honored guest. No matter how she is chosen she must represent a particular quality in the superlative. Wearing a golden crown with a single gold leaf at her forehead, she announced the May games and awards prizes to the winners. Along with the usual fabulous feast entertainments, such as Juggling, magic, performing arts, etc. May games alternate with foods and drinks, which on Mayday are all colored spring green?

Cited From Medieval Holidays and Festivals

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		1 Cook's Guild	2 Fighter Practice	3 Musician's Guild	4	5 Loch Salann— Kingdom Arts & Sciences
6	7 Clothier's Guild	8 Wordcrafters Guild	9 Populous Meeting	10 Musician's Guild Archery practice, 6:30 Lee Kay Center	11	12
13	14	15	16 Fighter Practice Summer Site	17 Musician's Guild	18	19 Arn Hold— May Day Carosello Silverkeep—Arts Quest for Camelot 17-20 (Northshield)
20	21 Quill submission deadline	22 Baronial Forum— Lady Megan's	23 Fighter Practice	24 Musician's Guild Archery practice, 6:30 Lee Kay Center	25	26 Otherhill—Shire Birthday Gryphon's Lair— Quest Event
27 Scribes Guild 1-4 pm Mst. Heloys'	28 Clothier's Guild	29	30 Fighter Practice	31		

FIGHTER PRACTICE WINTER SITE:
 Evergreen Jr. High 7:00-9:00 pm.
 3401 South 2000 East
 Populous Meeting will also be held at this
 address.

FIGHTER PRACTICE SUMMER SITE:
 Sugarhouse Park, Lake Terrace area 7:00 pm to dark.
 See Guilds pg. for contact info on other guild mtgs.
 See pg. 16 for the event calendar for the rest of the year.
 Archery practice questions, contact Amy at 467-9865