

Tales from the Mist

August 2013 (AS 48)

CAID CALENDAR

- Aug 10: Academia, Nordwache
- Aug 10: Games & Dance Tourney, Starkhafn
- Aug 10: Darach's Anniversary
- Aug 17: Crown Tourney, Lyondemere
- Aug 18: Privy Council, Lyondemere
- Aug 24: Festival Of the Rose, Calafia
- Aug 29-Sept 2: Highland War, al-Sahid

(See SCA-Caid.org for full calendar)



WINTERMIST CALENDAR

- Aug 1: Stitch n Bitch (Clothiers & String) FM
- Aug 2: Brewer's FM
- Aug 4 & 25: Middle-eastern Dance & Drum FM
- Aug 6: Flourish meeting 7pm, Dennys on Buck Owens
- Aug 10: Leatherworkers FM
- Aug 11: Metalworkers FM
- Aug 14: Shire Business Meeting Tony's Pizza on Mt. Vernon Ave 7:00 pm
- Aug 15: Ceramics FM
- Aug 17: Woodworkers FM
- Aug 21: Jewelry FM
- Aug 22: Bardic FM
- Aug 27: Illumination FM
- Aug 30: Newsletter Articles Due
- Sundays at 10 am Fighter Practice (Rapier and Heavies) at Patriot's Park
- Thursdays at 5pm: Sewing Circle (FM=Fellowship Meeting)

Heralds' Report for July, 2013

I want to start this report by congratulating Lady Estrith Rasmusdatter and Lord Argdal Mac Domnail for testing and passing the qualifications to be made Pursuivants of the Caidan College of Heraldry at the July meeting of the College. The Pursuivants ceremonies will take place at Great Western War. (This also allows the new pursuivants time to have their tabards made!) Your local Flourish has several other potential candidates for heraldic promotion in the next year or so if they continue to work diligently. The requirements are listed on the Caidan heralds' page but the basics are thus- of the three "arms" of SCA heraldry book, field and court you must be well versed in at least two of the three fields.

The following names and devices have been accepted and are now registered by the Laurel Queen of Arms:

- **Alexander Hostilius of Caid** (name change from Alexander Aethelwulfes sunu) and device: **Sable, a hippopotamus statant within a bordure Or.**
- **Atia uxor Alexandri** and device: **Per pale argent and azure, a tree blasted within a bordure embattled counterchanged.**
- **Helena Julia of Kythera** and device: **Per fess purple and argent, three mullets Or and a tree blasted and eradicated proper.**
- **Matsunaga Haru** device: **Argent, a dragonfly bendwise sinister within a bordure azure.**
- **Thorbjorg Ylva** and device: **Per bend sinister Or and purple, issuant from the line of division a phoenix bendwise purple raising from flames gules.**
- **Verinia Caelestia** and device: **Sable, in saltire a sword proper surmounted by an alicorn within a bordure embattled Or.**

~Master Manus le Dragonier, Wintermist Pursuivant

From the Chronicler

Crown Tourney is fast approaching, which means that shortly after that will be Coronation. How does this apply to the chronicler office, you may wonder? Well because of NEWS FROM THE NORTH, or course! This bi-annual issue will be all about Arts and Sciences. What I am looking for are articles pertaining to:

- Baronial/Shire A&S champions - who were they, what did they do to achieve this honor?
- What Art or science do you aspire to learn? What do you already know about it?
- What is the project you have done that you are most proud of? What did you do to accomplish this? How period was your technique? What did you learn from making this project?
- What is the most fascinating or impressive Art or Science piece that you have seen/heard/read/experienced? Tell me about it.

These are just a few items that you can talk about in an article. You can also send me a poem or story. Maybe a chronicle of a class you participated in. be creative and I look forward to seeing the next edition of "News from the North" come to life!

For the Dream,
~Lady A'isha al-Raqqasa

Getting to know Lady Roes' Meurdoch

I have been part of the Shire of Wintermist since 2001. Growing up, I was always interested in playing dress-up, from 50's Day in High School to elaborate Halloween costumes. From there the Society was a simple and logical jump. In 2001, I contacted the Shire and had a chance meeting with some women that have become some of my most treasured friends: Lady Lishka, Lady Elena, Lady Beatrice, and several others.

In the beginning, I researched my name, device, and motto. I knew I wanted a horse (my favorite animal) and four roses (one for each of my children) in the design. With the assistance of Master James of the Lake, the other elements fell into place. My last name came from my great-great grandmother, Jane Murdock. My grandmother had told me much about her travel from her birthplace in Dundee, Scotland, at the age of 17 on the ship, The Monarch of the Sea. My grandmother loved her grandmother and that respect trickled down to me. For my first name, I wanted to be Rose. There were many Roses in the Shire, but when I saw that the name I choose. Roes meant horse in ancient times, I knew I wanted it. I also wanted an accent (seems mysterious and fun), so Master James suggested Roes' Meurdoch. I liked it and it stuck!!

My motto is, *Promptus facio pro pax pacis et benevolentia* (Ready to serve in peace and kindness) and I try to help out where I can.

So, my name is Roes' Meurdoch, the daughter of a lowland Scottish woman and Viking leader. I have been raised for much of my life with my father's people in a small village in York in around the turn of the century, 1000AD. In the SCA, I used to wear Scottish/Irish clothes, but found the Viking garb to be more user friendly. I also found the Viking men rather interesting...

My Lord Husband, Aonghus Lyndesay, has a similar background. He was born in the Lowlands of Scotland by was captured as a youth and eventually integrated into the York Village. It is there that we fell in love.

In the beginning my interests were varied and I found that I needed to focus. It seems over the years, what I like the most is cooking, feasting, and trying to live the Dream as realistically as our budget and time constraints will allow. Cooking is very satisfying to me and usually people like what I cook. I also love embroidery--working necklines and cuffs to help them seem more realistic. I like garb that looks believable.

We do several local events a year and at least one large camping event. We dream of having a period encampment and to that end, I have been involved with the Shire of Wintermist Encampment Beautification Committee, and My Lord and I are creating a period pavilion to "glamp" in this year at GWW.

In addition, I am currently a protégé under the tutelage of Master Manus le Dragonier, OP.

Interview by Lady Jani Shirazi

From the Fellowships

ILLUMINATIONS: We are exceptionally lucky to have several very talented artists among our shire who have put in long hours to create works of art destined to help reduce the backlog of Caidian scrolls. This month we have been working on largess to be presented at the upcoming Crown Tourney, which will be held in Lyondemere (Long Beach). Martin and Moira kindly held a gold gilding class which garnered representation not only from Wintermist, but also from Nordwache. It was a pleasure to see our Nordwachen cousins. We have also begun beginning calligraphy and I am in the process of attempting to getting one of the kingdoms calligraphers to come in and give us a class. Watch out for upcoming Illumination events. Our next meeting will be held Tuesday, August 27th at 6:30 at my house.

~THLady Katherine of Hornechurch

MIDDLE EASTERN DANCE & DRUM: is now splitting into TWO separate fellowships because I cannot be in two places at once and I have enough on my plate! So, THLord Galen has graciously agreed to be the fellowship chancellor for the drummers, while I maintain chancellorship of the dancers. We continue to meet twice a month to learn the basics and build up the muscle need to move on to more intermediate moves. If you can't make the meetings but still want to learn, there are a lot of great videos out there to learn from. To give you a starting point, some foundation moves to learn and get good at are: hip slides, hip lifts, and chest lifts. When doing any belly dance moves remember to also move your arms. Enjoy and hopefully we'll see you at an meeting!

~Lady A'sha al-Raqqasa

Great Western Encampment Status

As of the end of July we have twenty-eight shire members registered to camp together this October. A special hello and thank-you to Clan Nicholas who are new to the SCA and our group and who jumped in to join us- make them welcome and help them enjoy their first major inter-kingdom event.

Event registration by mail closed on July 31st but an announcement from the War autocrats has allowed for online registration and payment through August 24th. This will be using the ACEPTS system. If you want more information please go to the war site or the Caid website. Remember that onsite registration will be on a cash only basis and you will be allocated to the overflow sites. If you are a shire member and for personal reasons cannot preregister before the war please contact me privately and we will try to accommodate you.

There are currently three camp positions open and need filling so if you will be at the war and wish to help please do!! They are listed below:

- **3rd Assistant Campmaster:** Duties will be to help with placement of camping groups and controlling chaos. Will serve as supervisor for limited periods and on a rotating basis help keep the camp running smoothly. We will work around your war schedule so this "duty" should fall mainly when you would be in camp.
- **Constable:** works with the war constables but in general makes our camp safe! Inspects camp setups to insure they meet war codes- (Mainly fire extinguishers in each campsite and fires off the ground as well as no unsupervised fires **or children**). As Constable when you are in camp watch for unsupervised "guests" in the Wintermist campsite. Collect any "lost and found" in the camp and turn in to the war constable. Work with campmaster.
- **Pot-luck Feastocrat:** This is the person in charge of organizing and running the traditional Friday night shire pot-luck dinner for the campers. Participating campers produce a dish from one of three categories- main dish, side dish or desert that should feed six to eight people. Feastocrat will be in charge of setup and takedown on Friday evening. As of the end of July no one has offered to take this job. **If there is not a Feastocrat for this event by the end of August the pot-luck will be canceled as an official event at this war!** Requirements for this position are that you are registered for the Wintermist camp and will be on site on Friday. Prior experience a plus but will help train.

Wall panels for the camp are strongly recommended as well as banners and other "period" regalia. Contact the SWEBC group for help with these programs. After registration closes I will be checking to see what kind of tents, number of members in the camp and desired camping neighbors you might request. If you have any comments or questions please reach me through email or facebook and I will try to get back to you with an answer as quickly as I can. If it is a group wide question I will also try to place an answer in Tales or on line.

~Master Manus le Dragonier, Campmaster

3.5 Baronies Event - September 6-8

No fight is as ugly as when brothers fight. This September, 3 Baronies and one Shire who have remained close for too long, collide in ferocious brother-on-brother fighting! Bring your spears, bring your swords, bring your bows, bring your great weapons! As any good family should we will fight about everything, age, weapon style, eye color, tastes great or less filling! (Due to the speed in which the battles will be reset, unit integrity will be difficult if not impossible. We ask that the great and powerful units within Caid be prepared to respect the concept of this event and be prepared to fight brother on brother...unless you're too scared!).

As if fighting were not enough! The Shire of Wintermist has found several local companies willing to support our great society. For each fighter in each battle they will donate 5 cents to the Shire of Wintermist. So do your part and fight as long as you can and help get us the biggest donation possible!

BUT WAIT! THAT'S NOT ALL! A&S competitions, a raffle, thrown weapons, kids games and much, much more.

Merchant Information: Merchants are welcome at the overnight camping fee. Contact the Event Steward to reserve a space.

Event Steward: Alexander Æthelwulf - threeandahalf@sca-wintermist.org

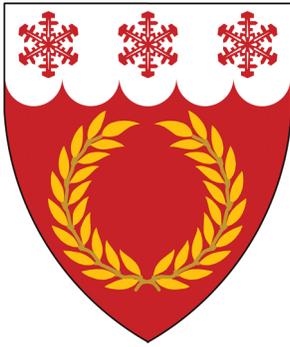
Ode to Titus's Helm

On a very fair day in the month of July
The Horsemen responded to Lyondemere's cry
Come out one and all, fight till you drop
....But Titus forgot his Helm.

Alexander took the field, by himself, all alone
Fighting with honor he fought before the throne
Being there for Wintermist and fighting with skill
....Because Titus forgot his Helm

Now what is the moral of this story, my friend
What is the message that this story doth send
To all good fighters wherever your are
....Next time remind Titus to take his d*cking
Helm!

~THLady Katherine of Hornechurch



Current Champion of
Wintermist and Protector
of the Flock



Lord Raynor Boleheued

Photo by A'isha

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