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A MISSIVE FROM OUR BARON AND BARONESS

Greetings to Our Flaky Populace.

We hope you have had a great Warriors and Warlords event! Whether you shot archery, celebrated Crispin's elevation, fought on the battlefields with honor, shopped to your heart's (or wallet's) content, or learned all the geeky things from the great class offerings, We are glad you joined all of us.

Our Spring Folk Moot has been postponed to July 19 (rain back-up July 26), at Brackett Park in Minneapolis. There will be an armored combat tournament, plus fencing, dancing, and a pot luck. Please bring an ingredients list, or the original packaging for purchased foods. If it's food you'd like to share, it is welcome at our table.

Looking ahead, we are planning on a Late Summer Folk Moot on a Sunday with the archers (seeking a volunteer to steward this activity) where we also hope to hold a tournament to determine our new Archer Champion. Looking even further ahead, We would like to start work on our Toys for Tots Tourney in December. Please let our Seneschal Niamh know of your interest in helping with either or both activities.

*In loving service,
Baron Geoffrey and Sitt al-Thullaja*



The June Business Meeting Was Cancelled. So, no notes

Baronial Archery Captain Seeks A Successor

I will be stepping down as Baronial Archery Captain at the July 20th business meeting. If you are interested in stepping into this position, please email your application to all four of the following addresses:

baron@nordskogen.northshield.org
seneschal@nordskogen.northshield.org

baroness@nordskogen.northshield.org
archery@nordskogen.northshield.org

Applications can be as simple as a statement of your interest in the position. Candidates do not need to be a fully warranted marshal, but they must be an archery marshal in training and at least 18 years old. **Applications are still open.** When we have candidates, they will be announced on online forums and the Quill, and will be voted on at the July 27th business meeting. YIS, Azizah Hatun bint Da'ud

Nordskogen eBay Fundraiser Spring Cleaning Extravaganza! (NEFSCE)

Attention Nordskogen! As you (collectively) are gearing up for an amazing summer of events, you may come across an item or two where you said to yourself "What should I do with that now that I've bought this other thing that is better, newer, cooler, etc.?" Well, now, that is a fantastic question. One possible answer to said hypothetical question is... donate it to the Nordskogen eBay Fundraiser Spring Cleaning Extravaganza! Or NEFSCE for short.

Let's say you've just read this and said to yourself "Self, that's a great idea! I wonder how that whole NEFSCE thing works?"

It's pretty straight forward. You contact either myself, Bazyli, at: olaughingson22@gmail.com or Helena the Quiet at: bluelupines@hotmail.com We will come to you and pick up the item (s). Then we will list it/them on eBay and ship them off to a new owner.

You will have the double piece of mind that you are clearing out space for new and cooler stuff and helping the Barony at the same time.

Dance Practice, Sunday, July 17, 3:30-5:30 p.m.—War and Peace

Our July practice will be on Sunday, July 17, from 3:30-5:30 p.m., in Room 107 (where rapier practice happens on Wednesdays). This month's dances will be connected to war and peace in some way. If at all possible, we will be working on Beggar Boy. Please rsvp to Rosanore of Redthorn at susanhenry_46@yahoo.com or on Facebook by messaging Susan Guthmann Henry or by posting to the Nordskogen Dancers Facebook page.

BARONIAL SUPER MOOT, TUESDAY, JULY 19, 6:30 P.M.-9 P.M.

Outdoors at Brackett Park, 2728 39th Ave. S., Minneapolis, MN, 55406

Coordinated by THL Skio

Rain Date: Tuesday, July 26

Here's a link to a map: <http://tinyurl.com/tuespractic>

Schedule:

6:30: Setup

7:00 to 7:15: Activities start with an opening court and explanation of the evening

7:30: Tourney starts

After tourney: Court will happen, unless there are gaps in the fighting. In that case, awards will be given throughout the tourney.

8:30 to 9:00: Clean up and get off site

A potluck is planned. Please go to the [Summer Super Folk Moot](#) page on Facebook to sign up for the item that you plan on bringing.

Commented [SH1]:

THL Skio has given his consent to dancing happening! It will not be part of the schedule as listed above but will be happening carefully off to the side in a non-disruptive fashion. If you have a spare moment at the moot, come and join the fun!

Please note that everyone should bring their own chairs and bug spray, etc. Also, we will have access to the bathroom in the Brackett Park recreation center.

SELECTED WW NEWS

Geektastic A&S Competition at WW

As in previous years, I will be hosting an A&S Competition at Warriors and Warlords. I specifically encourage entries that are items of daily life, the sorts of necessary, but not necessarily super-shiny things that are important to medieval daily life. The Geektastic portion is that all entries are required to have documentation and the documentation is a significant component of the competition score.

This year, there are two changes from previous years - the competition judging will take place Friday evening (exact time and location TBD) and the judging will be public. This is something that we successfully trialed at Crown Tourney - entries are judged and the populace is invited to participate, whether that is sitting in and watching or asking questions about the process of the judging. Sort of a "performance judging," if you will. Entrants will have the opportunity to interact more with the populace about their entry and the Populace will have the opportunity to learn more about the A&S Competition process.

Thanks! ~Eithni ingen Talorgain

The Aquila Challenge

The Aquila Challenge will be a series of archery and thrown weapon contests sponsored by the Order of Aquila et Fulmen. Contests for both archery and thrown weapons will take place at Castle Fever, Northern Realms War and Warriors and Warlords. The results of all six contests (three archery and three thrown weapons) will be combined to determine an overall winner.

The Aquila Challenge will be a team competition. Teams may have up to four members. For each of the six competitions, only the highest score by a member of the team will count toward the overall Aquila Challenge score for that team.

The prizes for the overall winning team will be a quiver, one dozen arrows, three throwing axes and three throwing knives. Prizes will be awarded at Warriors and Warlords.

THL Toussaint de Caluwé / Tyson Patterson
Order of Aquila et Fulmen

Archery at WW!!

This year for archery we have several really fun archery shoots planned. We have 2 shoots that are geared towards youth/kids, but really anyone can come shoot and get wonderful prizes!

We are also having a kingdom fundraiser (kingdom general fund and children's fund) in which you donate dollars in order to shoot at an image of a member of the chivalry.

Just as a reminder. SHOES ARE REQUIRED ON THIS RANGE! You will be turned away if you are not wearing some kind of shoes. The space where the range is used to be a landfill and does still contain several metal and glass pieces on the ground. This is for your safety!

In service, THL Aneka Gretadotter, WW Archery MiC

Pickup Fighting

From 11 a.m. till 4 p.m. on Friday, July 8, at WW, there is no scheduled heavy fighting. So, I have asked around and gotten the green light to do authorizations, singles, or melees as numbers and desires dictate during that time. So if you want to work on your MIT, get an authorization, do some singles or run some pickup melees, head on over to the battlefield after 11 a.m. Friday. At 4 p.m., we will be starting up Sir Durand's schedule for the day. Duke Tom Tinninnabulum

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Make Boots With A Prince

If you are at WW and you want help making boots, find me at Authentic Camp and I will help. Bring leather, felt, or just some socks and duct tape. We can make you a pattern at the very least. Hrodir Fyrste

An Announcement From The Lost Boys

The Dread Pirate Michael St Christian and his crew have washed ashore on Donnertal Island fulfilling a Lost Boy native prophecy. They will be holding a party in his honor at WW, Saturday night after court.

Please feel free to bring attire to blend in with either the pirates or the natives.

Local custom dictates that you bring proof of age; those not holding with local custom will be seen as outsiders and not allowed to share in the revelry.

May the warm winds be with you, and we will see you Saturday night.

Children's Consort Tournament

On Saturday at 1pm will be the Children's Consort Tournament on the armored combat field. All combatants must fight for the honor of a child in order to have a place in the tournament. This will be a double elimination tournament and there will be prizes for both the combatant and their sponsor. (There will also be gifts for all children attending or being fought for that day.)

Bad Baroness Torchlight Tournament

Greetings from the Baronesses of Jararvellir and Nordskogen!

Join us this Warriors & Warlords on Friday night at the Rapier Field as the sun graces the horizon and daylight fades for the Bad Baroness Torchlight Tournament!

To enter this armored combat tournament one must be sponsored by a baroness and there is a limit of one fighter per baroness so, Your Excellencies, get to claiming your fighters! Fighters, find yourself a baroness to cheer you on!

Bring your best! Bring your boasts! Bring your game, skill and joy to honor the baroness you fight for this night!

This will be a ~ double elimination tournament ~ held by torchlight. Restrictions are all weapons MUST have light colored tape or silver tape. NO dark or black blades will be allowed. NO face thrusts. Please use your judgement if you are comfortable or uncomfortable fighting in low light; be the shield of awareness and protection for the brothers and sisters you cross blades with, and have a good time! Sign in starts at 8PM and the tournament starts at 9PM sharp.

((Note: You do NOT have to be participating in the Bad Baroness Challenge for the traveling coronet to enter a fighter for the armored tournament. For those participating in the Bad Baroness Challenge your boast will be scored for the Challenge by our judges. For more details on the Bad Baroness Challenge please see the description in the site booklet or see Mistress Deja.))

Leona Talbot, Baroness of Jararvellir ~ and ~ Sitt al Thullaja, Baroness of Nordskogen

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Challenge from the Holder of the Griffins Talon

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meetings,

As of Northern Realms War I am now the holder of the Griffins Talon.

I will be accepting challenges at WW, and depending on the number of challengers the format may change.

However, there are some points that will remain a constant:

- 1) All fighters are welcome to challenge
- 2) fights will be best 2 of 3
- 3) first and second fight must be with different weapon styles (matched weapons are not required) (if a 3rd is required, any style will be accepted)
- 4) all rules of the list will be of Northshield standard
- 5) the MIC will have final say on any conflict of rules
- 6) if bested on the field, the new holder of the Griffins Talon will not be required to accept challenges the day of.

I will announce the accepting of challenges before the list is open for event battles and will at that time decide when and where the challenges will be fought.

I hope to see a lot of our fighters proving their prowess for this and also on the field during the day.

Y.I.S., THL Tygustus Illuminatus "Tyg"

Family Fun Faire

Youth of all ages (and their families) are invited to attend the Family Fun Faire at the Lost Boys Embassy - across from the main battlefield – on Friday, July 8th, from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

12:30 p.m.

Activities start including:

- Face painting
- Mega Twister
- Dress up photos
- Coloring/drawing station
- Bean bag toss and other games
- Beginning Youth Combat training and authorizations

1:00 p.m.

Classes starting:

- Make a Favor for Your Favorite Fighter - all ages welcome
- Leather working - make a bracelet or other small item - ages 10 and up **
- Calligraphy and Illumination - ages 8 and up **
- Beading - make a bracelet or other small item - ages 8 and up **

** younger students are welcome if they BOA (Bring Own Adult)

2:30 p.m.

Youth Combat Tournament

3:00 p.m.

Youth vs. Peers Challenge

- All Peers and their defendants are welcome to compete against the Youth in a water-games tournament.

UPCOMING BARONIAL SPECIAL EVENTS

Period clothing will be required for these. Please note that the Barony has period clothing & feast dishes to loan.

WARRIORS AND WARLORDS, THURSDAY, JULY 7—SUNDAY, JULY 10, 2016

Whispering Pines Campground, 12780 S. Prairie Rd., Osseo, WI, 54758

Autocrats: Baron Frederick de Fulbert and THL Meadhbh inghean Uí Néill

<http://www.warriorsandwarlords.org/>

Hosted by the Baronies of Nordskogen and Jararvellir

Thursday/Friday Arrival:

Adult Registration (18+): \$35; Adult Member Discount Registration (18+) \$30;

Children (6–17) \$15; Babies/Toddlers (under 6) Free;

Family Registration: *Families pay registration for the first youth. All other children are free.*

Saturday Arrival or Day-trip Rate:

Adult Registration (18+) \$20; Adult Member Discount Registration (18+) \$15;

Children (6–17) \$7; Babies/Toddlers (under 6) Free

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More information above.

THE ARMORED COMBAT EVENT (THACO) 7, SATURDAY, JULY 30, 2016, 9 A.M.-6 P.M.

Oscar Johnson Ice Arena, 1039 Decourcy Circle, Saint Paul, MN, 55104

Event Steward: Freiin Jutta van der Bruegghen (known as Ivetta)

Adult Member Discount Event Registration: \$13; Adult Event Registration: \$18; Minor Event Registration: \$8

Checks payable to: SCA, Inc.--Barony of Nordskogen

Fight, fight, fight; Lunch; Fight, fight, fight; Go home

PAS DE ARMES V, FRIDAY, AUGUST 19, 9:00 A.M.-SUNDAY, AUGUST 21, 2016, Noon

Hosted by the Canton of Blachemere in the lands of the illustrious Canton of Nordleigh

Maison Poussard, 10922 E. 270th St., Elko MN 55020 Site is primitive and handicapped accessible.

Steward: Lord James Helmsmith (James Ecoff) whatwasjimthinking@yahoo.com

Site Fees:

Adult Event Registration: \$20; Adult Member Discount Event Reg.: \$15; Students w/ID \$7; Minors \$5; Kids under 5 free.

Family Cap \$45; Family Cap \$35 w/two adult membership discounts. Family Cap is two adults and two minors.

Checks payable to: The Canton of Blachemere

WEEKLY WEDNESDAY MEETING SITE AND SCHEDULE

Folks begin gathering between 6:30 and 7:00 pm, announcements generally start around 7:30 pm.

Meetings end at 9:00 pm.

All of our weekly Wednesday meetings are held at: The Geek Partnership Society's Event Horizon

In the Waterbury Building, the big red building at Jackson St. NE and Broadway St. NE,

(1121 Jackson St NE, Minneapolis, MN, 55413)

Enter at the BACK of the building. Door 1121C is the one closest to the rooms we are in.

Link to a map: <http://tinyurl.com/geekpartnershipmap>

To get to the big parking lot at the back of the building and near our entrance doors:

Go north on Jackson, driving past the little parking lot on the right (we don't park there), go to the end of the building, take the first right onto the street there which is 12th Ave. NE,

If you go over the railroad tracks, you've gone too far!

Note: the slots with the STS signs are only reserved until 3 pm.

Metal Parking slots are always off limits.

7/6: MEETING AND RAPIER PRACTICE CANCELLED. HAVE FUN AT WW!

7/13: Room 106A: Announcements & socializing

Room 107: Rapier practice

7/20: Room 106A: Announcements & socializing

Room 107: Rapier practice

7/27: Room 106A: Business meeting & socializing

Room 107: Rapier practice

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