



The Cataract

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Waters

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Calendar

September

- 8 **Library demo**, St. Catharines Public Library, downtown branch, 9-4
- 9 **Mini-Event** at Finally Oaks, 12-5
- 15 A Day of Piracy, Bastille du Lac (Batawa)
- 16 **Baronial Moot/Meeting**, location TBD
- 22 Fall Coronation, Brennistein Vatn (North Bay)

October

- 12-14 Fall Festival, Vest Yorvik (Toronto)
- 13 Huntsman's Harvest, Ben Dunfirth (Hamilton)
- 20 Scotchtobefest, Der Welfengau (Guelph)
- 27 **Fall Crown Tourney** (Merritton Hall, St. Catharines)

November

- 3 Feast of the Hare, Caldrihig (Ottawa)
- 24 Kingdom Arts & Sciences, Vest Yorvik (Brampton)

December

- 8 Wassail, Bryniau Twywnnog (St. Agatha)

January

- 5 Baronial TwelfthNight

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Baron & Baroness

Greetings to the populace of Rising Waters from Baron Richard and Baroness Annabelle:

Congratulations to Sir Yoshina for serving as a Knight for 30 years! Amazing accomplishment; we hope to be able to celebrate many more years with you. To all who were able to make it to Pennsic this year, we

had a great time and from the sound of it, everyone else who attended had fun also. It was great to be able to meet and visit with the Barony at Finally Oaks after Pennsic; it was like continuing all the fun. We look forward to the time we can all come together and work toward making Fall Crown Tourney a success. If you have not yet volunteered your time or talents, send Morrigan a FB message or email to let her know you are available. We look forward to seeing you soon.



Seneschal

Greetings to the good people of Rising Waters from Valdr jarnsmithr.

I first need to apologise for missing my inaugural article as the new Baronial Seneschal in the last Cataract issue - it seems I have very big shoes to fill (and I look awful in heels). I need to begin by thanking Lady Ysabeau for her many years of hard work as out-out-going Baronial Seneschal. It is her shoes I will be filling - though I don't think that is possible - I will endeavour to do my very best. Thank you again for all you have done for us.

The summer has been unbelievably busy and is almost gone before we know it. Pennsic was much fun - those of us who went had a marvellous time and I'm sure there are hundreds of photos circulating on various social sites that can attest to that. Our mini events at Finally Oaks have also been a fabulous hit for those who were able to attend. I personally brought an old friend to the last one and he had a marvellous time chatting with everyone. A big thank you to John and Morna for extending their usual impeccable hospitality to all comers.

No sooner is summer almost gone, but autumn is around the corner and a busy calendar along with it. I look forward to the coming months as seneschal and hope to perform my office with the same dedication and ability as my predecessor.

Until next time, I remain in service to the Barony of Rising Waters and her people.

[From "The Tidings": Lady Heather Shea, the Kingdom Seneschal, will be stepping down temporarily. Viscountess Moria the Black will take over for her in the interim.

The next Kingdom-level event for Rising Waters is Spring Coronation, 2014.]

Chatelaine



reetings fair people of Rising Waters from Baroness Annabelle:



We had such a busy Summer this year. Thank you to all who have brought new people to our practices and mini-events. It is quite wonderful to see the smiling faces of those we haven't seen in a while. I also appreciate the folks who have taken the time to lend your expertise at the demos; you are fabulous. We have one more big demo coming up in September on the 8th so mark your calendars and come to the Library for a great day. Enjoy and keep bringing new people out.

This is the library advertisement. Let's see if we can live up to it! Please be there by 9:00 to help with the set up, and to ensure that you get a parking spot either in the underground lot or the one adjacent. Parking is free on Saturdays.

Please RSVP to Baroness Annabelle so we know how many members will be participating in the demo. There will be the usual pot-luck at Yllaria's after the demo.

HEAR YE! HEAR YE! Life in the Middle Ages

Join the Society for Creative Anachronism for a fun-filled day in the Middle Ages. The SCA is an international organization dedicated to researching and recreating the arts and skills of pre-17th-century Europe. Members in costume will demonstrate Medieval fighting, fencing and dancing, and you will have an opportunity to participate in games and crafts. All ages are welcome to come and enjoy this exciting day in the Middle Ages!

- Saturday, September 8
- 10:00 am - 4:00 pm
- Courtyard and Atrium of the Central Library



Marshallate

Thanks to all who have attended our Summer practices and to all of those who served at Pennsic. Special thanks to members of the Barony who helped to feed and water the fighters at Pennsic. We hope to continue weekly practices in the Fall, details will be announced on the electronic lists. It would be great to have another armouring evening, but with the busy Fall schedule I am not too sure where we can fit it in.

Richard

Chronicler

At time of publishing, there is no meeting schedule available. The same goes for any A&S nights. I will add them to the website, Yahoo and Facebook calendars as soon as I know what they are.

I am finding increasingly that my energies have to be spent in other directions. Is anyone interested in becoming Chronicler? Let's talk.

Ariadne

Arts & Sciences

Salutations from Baroness Ariadne:

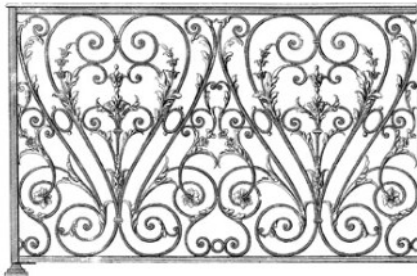
Lady Yvette sent me a recipe for a delicious Strawberry Pudding. I regret that I cannot actually publish it, as it comes from Plevn Delit, a wonderful cookbook which has served many a feast cook in good stead over the years. However, I would be offending the gods of the copyright laws, which I no longer dare do. I recommend that you find the book and try the recipe.

In other A&S news, Chiara, Baroness Annabelle and I spent an evening discussing some of the classes that were held at Pennsic this year, and deciding on some projects to be finished for Crown Tourney in October. If anyone is interested in learning to do these, please contact Baroness Annabelle, or come to the library demo on September 8 or the mini-event on September 9. Chiara and I will be working on one of them.

Greetings!

Just a heads up to the Barony. Over the next while I will be weeding the fabric arts and needlework section of the St. Catharines Public library. They will be on sale by the front desk.

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FOOD SAFETY REMINDERS from Ariadne

Time for part two of Feast Safety Tips. Last issue I covered bio-hazards and allergies. This issue deals with chemical and physical hazards.

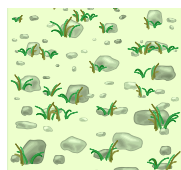
Chemical hazards are such things as soaps, detergents, cleansers, hand sanitizers, non-food-grade oils like WD-40, pesticides, fertilizers, antibiotics, heavy metals like lead and mercury, and food additives over allowable limits. It is any toxic substance that is introduced into food before or during preparation.



To reduce the likelihood of these substances getting into your feast, make sure that everything is rinsed thoroughly after cleaning—hands, dishes, cookware, prep surfaces; store chemicals away from food-preparation areas; use food-grade lubricants for oiling squeaky equipment—not something we usually do, but keep it in mind.



Physical hazards include contaminants such as small pieces of glass, metal, wood, stone, plastic, or bone. Consider the possibilities: a



broken drinking glass, a shattered light bulb, a chip from a plate or cup; a sharp piece of metal broken off a piece of equipment; a splinter from an unsuitable cutting board, or a toothpick;

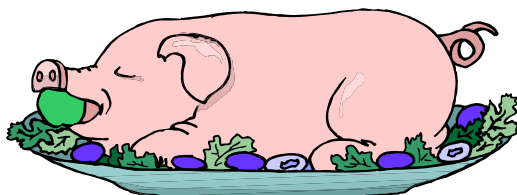


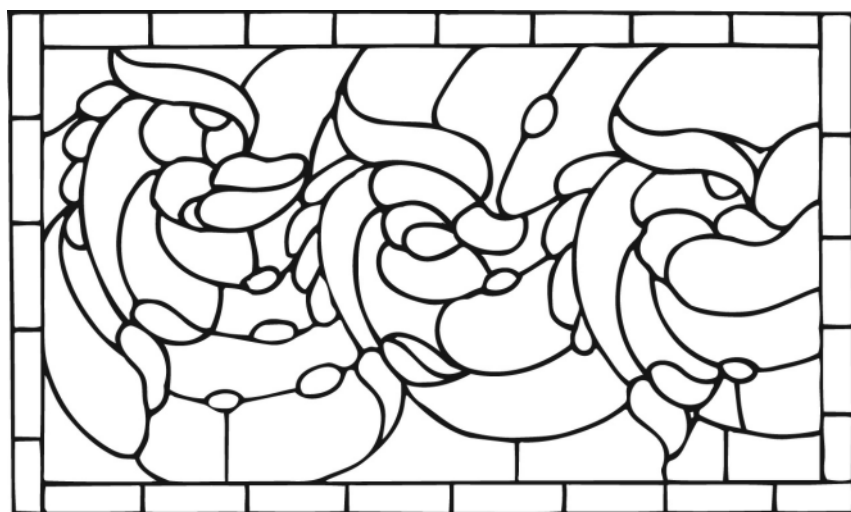
pebbles in the baked beans (this actually happened at a wedding I attended—the groom broke a tooth); grit from shoes, or dirt on clothing, or dandruff from hair, or the hair itself; fingernails; jewelry or pieces thereof; plastic from

a wrapping, or a bread tag; band-aids; bones or teeth; cherry pits; shell pieces. The list goes on.



I'm sure we all do our best to make sure that these sorts of things do not make it into the wonderful foods served at feast, either in the cooking, the plating, or the serving.





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No calls before 9 a.m. or after 9 p.m. unless by previous arrangement.