



Good Keep Keeping

The Official Newsletter for the Great Shire of Glaedenfeld



Welcome to the new Newsletter of the "Good Keep Keeping". I hope that you enjoy it and want to join in the fun, by sending fun stories, articles, pictures and anything else of interest. Please Enjoy!

Upcoming Events:

- * **Summer Collegia VII**
Drackenmere, Waynesboro, GA.
- * **Touney of the foxes**
Vulpine Reach, Chattanooga, TN.
- * **Black Rose**
Crimson River, Columbia, TN.
- * **Daggar's and Hemlock IV**
Phoenix Glade, Ft. Walton, FL.
- * **Meridian Grand Tourney**
Fall Creek Falls, Pikeville, TN.



August 21, 2010

<http://www.drackenmere.org/summercollegium.htm>

August 27 - 29, 2010

<http://www.vulpinereach.org/foxes/>

Spetember 3 - 5, 2010

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Spetember 24 - 26, 2010

<http://www.meridiangrandtournament.org>

Shire Activities:

Where:

Time:

Fighter Practice
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 Archery Practice
 Dance Guild
 Brewer's Guild
 Scribal Guild
 Heraldry Guild

Murfreesboro, TN.
 Bicentennial Park, Nashville TN.
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 St. Mark's Church, Antioch, TN.
 William & Julianna's, La Vergne, TN.
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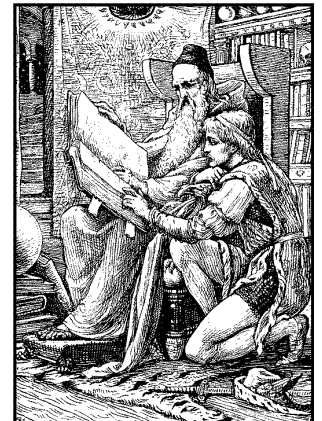
7:00 p.m. / Tues.
 4:00 p.m. / Sun.
 August, 21st / 10 am - noon
 1st Thurs. / ea. month
 August 21st / 12:30 pm - until
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Follow-up from Current Events:

Scribal Guild:

I was priviledged (along with 6 or 7 others) to be able to go to the Scribal Guild Class Meeting taught by our own Mistress Stephanie on "How to make an Original Scroll". She did a fabulous job of trying to take the fear out of making an original scroll and did a great job teaching the class.

One of the best things that I learned was that everyone starts out LEARNING and makes mistakes along the way. She showed us some very beautiful scrolls that she found in books, on the internet (or have been done by others) that were at, what we would consider the "Laurel" level of expertise, but reminded us that everyone doesn't start at that level, but starts out small and makes mistakes along the way. She was open and honest with mistakes that she has made, corrected and learned from all the way thru the process. She told us about some mistakes that were made by the scribes in the middle ages and how they fixed them.



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Scribial Guild (cont);

If you ever see a little area that has "....." and then see an arrow to a different area, that is a probably a mistake that the scribe made along the way and fixed it. (I never noticed that to be a mistake, but rather just a scribe having some fun with the guy with a wagon with the word or phrase in it. I thought that they did it on purpose to bring a smile to the recipient's face (like "hidden pictures) instead of correcting what they had not done perfect).

She, also, showed us "short cuts" (that can be used to ease some of the fear of doing things), and how to see things from a different point of view. She showed us how to look at things that you may want to draw and seeing the different shapes in it.

We have so many tools that were not available in the middle ages, at our finger tips today to use, such as a compass, a eracer guide, a line guide (not just rulers of different sizes, shapes, flat, with cork, without cork, beveled edged, see thru, wooden, plastic, etc), tips/Nibs for pens, kinds of ink, kinds of gouche' (what works and doesn't & how to mix it to right consistancy to use, & also what type of water to use or you'll have chemical reactions with the gouche' as it ages), different types of earacers, different guides to do different things (such as making the perfect circle, shield, heart, oval, square,etc), different types of paper, different types of pens or pencils..... and the list could go on, but you get the idea.

She told us how she got started doing scrolls..... She loved to "doodle" and learned that some of her "doodles" were actually close to what they would do in the middle ages with swirls, dots, waves, rings, flowers, shapes, etc.....

At the end of this class, some of my fear left and I came home to start plotting out my first original scroll. It is not perfect, but it is my best work to date with the information and tools that I had available. (attached is a pic of my first original scroll. This scarey for me to do as it is NOT PERFECT, but I want to share what I had learned.)

Thank You, Mistress Stephanie, for taking time out of your schedule to share a passion of yours with all of us. Your patience and understanding to help each of us get over some of our fear and step out of our comfort zones to try this, is very much appreciated!



Business Meeting notes;

- MGT- Mistress Stephanie is trying to get a "field trip" date set for us to go up and look over the facilities, so that everyone won't be flying by the seat of our pants. The dates she is looking at is 8/29 (sunday after Foxes), 9/5 or 9/6 which is Laborday weekend.
- Site Tokens- Mistress Stephanie would like to do something practical like salt bags. She is looking at pre-made bags and then fill with sea or koser salt to use at the feast, or making them out of squares of material and tied with a ribbon for each person. She'll let us know which and when to do them if you'd like to help.
- Get your Reservations in for MGT asap. to Thomas (\$20. per adult for the weekend and \$10 for children up to 12 yr old. 6 and youngeer are free)
- Send Mistress Stephanie the dementions of any pavillions that you are willing to lend for people to sit under to watch the fighting. Pinkpelican@comcast.net

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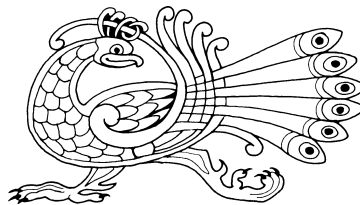
Iris Faire Planning Meeting ~ Sunday, 8/15 at 2pm at Gerst Haus (across from Shoney's)

Archery Practice 8/21 10-12noon and it wasn't decided as to where exactly it will be held. A notice will be send out next week as to the exact location.

Brewer's Guild meeting~ 8/21 at 12:30-1pm (after archery practice for those who are going) at William and Julianna's home. We'll be bottling the MGT Brew and talking about some other fun brew's that can be made.

Dance Practice is the first Thursday of the Month at St. Mark's Episcopal Church with Juliana and William waiting for all us "happy feet movers" It starts at 7pm (I thought) but Julianna will let us know if that is in correct, please.

Moreg would like all who are interested in scroll work and would like to learn more, to end her a message as when we'd like to meet and what ideas you may have.



"Let's appreciate others"

I want to take a minute and thank all of our leaders. We are blessed to have some of the greatest people within our shire, and I know my self, I don't show or even simply take the time to tell them so. As we have but one more month left until we have some "changing of the guard" shall we say, I personally want to say "Thank You for all your hard work!" I know that I haven't been in this shire as long as others, but I have felt and experienced the grace and kindness, honor and patience, courtesy and caring, teamwork and friendliness like no other in the Known World. These leaders are tireless in the things that they have to juggle along with their own personal lives, I don't know how they do it all.

With MGT coming up, with which our shire, under the leadership of Mistress Stephanie (Autocrat) and THL Ysabel (co-autocrat) has a chance to shine, please take a moment and send in your award recommendations for the people that help you along the way. There is no better way to show your love, support and appreciation for them, then to send a note to the Royals telling them how great a job they are doing to help you to live out your Dream.

I hope that you enjoy this newsletter. If you'd like to put in a story, song, pattern, insight, want info, have some funny sayings, etc..... please pass them along so that I can include them in the next few months newsletters.

As always,

In Service to the Dream,

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