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APRIL 2014

ANNO SOCIETATIS XLVIII

## Words from the Baron and Baroness

Greetings Elfsea and Dragonsfire Tor,

Elfsea Defender was a great success due to the hard work of many of you. We thank each and everyone of you for making that day extra special for us.

Congratulations to the many awards given that day!! Vivat!!

Elfsea's new Defenders are:

Rapier - Don Stephen Crowley Chivalric - Duke Lochlan Dunn Archery - no new champion, at this time, due to weather

We also started 3 new Champions. These were chosen by us. They represent honor, chivalry, and grace, on the field and off. They are:

Thetis' Valour - for Rapier - Lord Guyon Dupre Triton's Honour - for Chivalric - Lord Crippen Azure Pheon - for Archery - to be determined

We also had A &S and Brewing competitions. A & S winners were: Lady Aaliz, HE Lauretta, HL Caerell, HL Aingeal.

Populace was a great night of discussions and many new ideas. We are changing locations for Populace meetings, building on the **sunday** rapier practice with Populace in the Parks, and designing new Baronial Coronets.

His Excellency, Sir Alejandro, had plans in motion to secure new Baronial coronets. We have decided to continue those efforts, and expand on it. We announced a Coronet design party. Please think about what you would want to see on the coronets, and submit a drawing, description or coloring of said design. The few things to keep in mind: we have a great set of flat top coronets, we would like to see these keep the points and pearls concept. Utilize the Baronial colors, the castle, the motto, the shell, anything from our achievement..... submit your ideas, at the Populace in June, we will bring all the ideas to the meeting, discuss them, and see what everyone likes. Please keep in mind, whom ever does make them may not be able to use the EXACT design that is submitted. We will seek the counsel of, at least two, coronet artisans and see what elements they are able to use. Then we will bring those back to the populace for final vote. We are excited to see what it presented.

We look forward to seeing everyone at Guardian of the Tor, and future events.

In Service,

Gerhart and Elspeth Baron and Baroness of Elfsea Lord and Lady of DragonsfireTor





## MAY 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4 Rapier Fighter Practice	5	6	7 Chivalric and Rapier Fighter	8 Social and A & S	9	10
11 Archery Practice 2:00 pm	12	13 Heraldic Commen-	14 Chivalric and Rapier Fighter	15	16	17
18 Rapier Fighter Practice 12:00 pm	Populace 7:00 pm New Bed- ford Library	20	21 Chivalric and Rapier Fighter Practice	22 Social and A & S night	23	24
25 Archery Practice 2:00 pm	26	27	28 Chivalric and Rapier Fighter	29	30	31

#### **Events Schedule:**

See the Elfsea List for further activities throughout the metroplex.

#### A & S Schedule:

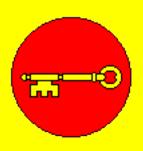
2nd & 4th Thursday, sewing classes at Ldy Elizabeth's 948 Blossomwood Crt, Arlington 76017.

#### Heraldric Commentary

3rd Tuesday of the month at Joe Pelfrey's home 300 Cinnamon Lane, Euless 76039

If there are any errors or omissions on the calendar please send corrections asap to chronicler@elfsea.ansteorra.org





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Deputy Seneschal
Accepting Applications



#### Greetings Elfsea;

Do we all feel a little older now? Our Barony has just celebrated it's 25th Anniversary. The event was a grand success with lots of fun had by all despite the wind and rain. Thank you very much to all of you who had a hand in making this event such a success. A special thanks to Countess Elizabeth and Baroness Elspeth for herding the cats as necessary to make it happen. As you know we have a new Baron & Baroness here in Elfsea. I am looking forward to continuing to serve our great Barony as your Seneschal under our new leadership. I would like to thank Baron Alejandro for his selfless service to our Barony and for the sacrifices he made so we could continue to enjoy the dream we love so much. I would also like to thank him for the opportunity to have served as his Seneschal. At our last populace gathering some changes were made. As you probably know we have lost the Coor's facility as a meeting hall. They have been bought by another company and the hospitality room is being closed. On that note we are going to try a few new locations in our quest for a new meeting place. May's populace will be held 19 May 2014, at the new library in Bedford at 7:00 pm. This is the third Monday because the fourth is Memorial Day and most of us will probably be recuperating from Steppes Warlord, besides, the library will be closed that day. It is located at 2424 Forest Ridge Rd just past Bedford Rd. It is very near our Wednesday night fighter practice. Also a vote was taken and the populace said they wanted to wear garb to our meetings, so we shall, if you wish. Wearing garb at the meetings is not mandatory, we understand for some it can be a challenge. We are now accepting bids for Elfsea Baronial College which will occur 23 August, 2014. If you are interested please submit a bid. If you have questions please let me know. I think it is one of the easier events to run and a good one to learn from. We are also accepting applications for the Heralds Office. If you are interested please let us know, if you have questions please ask. The Heralds Office can be a challenging one for some and total fun for others. If you have an interest in one side of the office and not the other, i.e.: Court Heraldry vs. Book Heraldry, we can introduce you to the people who can answer your questions or concerns. YIS

Sebastian Frobishire, OP

Seneschal,

Barony of Elfsea





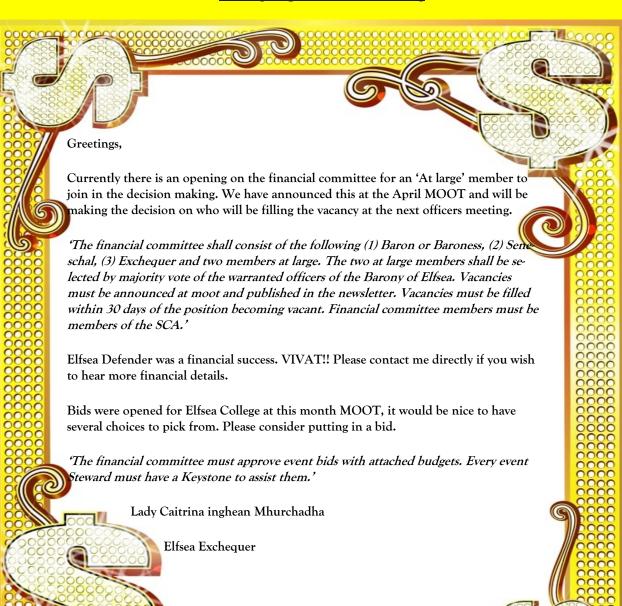
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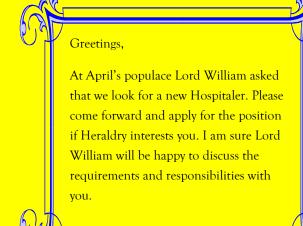


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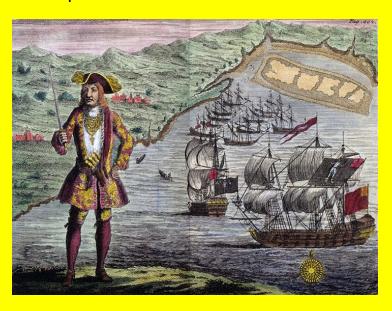
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## Don Alaríc's Quote of the Month

"In an honest service there is thin commons, low wages, and hard labour. In this, plenty and satiety, pleasure and ease, liberty and power. And who would not balance creditor on this side, when all the hazard that is run for it, at worst, is only a sour look or two at choking? No, a merry life - and a short one - shall be my motto." - Pirate Captain "Black Bart" Bartholomew Roberts







# Hospitaler Lady Áine inghean Aodha mhic Shéafraid

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Greetings Elfsea!

As the newest hospitaler for our wonderful Barony I have much to learn. I ask that Elfsea bring me her ideas! I look forward to working with the newest members of our Barony and help guide them and teach them all about the SCA. On that note, if you recall during our populace meeting, I mentioned wanting to do classes for our new members. I'm putting a call out for anyone who would like to teach SCA101, garb making, basic heraldry, combat basics, etc. Please e-mail me if you have any interest in teaching classes for our newcomers!

I would like to take this time to welcome our newest member of Elfsea, Anne Brough. I met Anne at Winterkingdom/Round Table in January and she was unaware of our local group. I gave her our information and she jumped in and became very involved. She just recently became an official member of our group and is very excited to continue going to events. Please help in making her feel welcome to this wonderful Barony! I have one last request. I urge you to introduce yourself to someone new this month. Even if they may not be new to this kingdom, they are new to you!

I hope everyone has a fun month with all the wonderful events and please be safe!

In Service,

Lady Áine inghean Aodha mhic ShéafraidHospitaler,

Barony of Elfsea

# Aaliz's Kitchen — a modern cook's journey into Medieval Cookery

## Roman Cena (part 3)

The main entree of the Roman meal was served during the second course of the Cena. This course was called the Prima Mensa. This course usually consisted of meats like wild game, fish, pork or poultry. Beef could also be served, but it would have been an expensive luxury. More wealthy Romans would serve exotic meats like peacock, flamingo tongue, dolphin, or camel heels. After all the goal of having guest over was not just stimulating conversation, but to also show off the wealth of the host.

The meat dishes would be accompanied by vegetables and bread such as small rolls. While most of the vegetables served during the Gustatio were uncooked the vegetables served during this course would be cooked. It has already been mentioned that the Romans had a fondness for sauces so it is no wonder that they would serve bread to sop up the sauce. Most Romans did not have ovens in their homes and would have to buy their bread from the local bakery. Even though wealthy Romans had ovens in their homes they also frequently had their bread baked at the bakery.

Wine would be served with this course; of course it would be watered down. After all it would be barbaric to serve wine that had not been watered down. If the meal was during the winter the wine would be served heated and if the meal occurred during the summer it would be served cooled. In addition to watering down their wine, they might also add spices or honey.

This course would also consist of four or more dishes.

#### Prima Mensa (2nd course)

Roast Wild Boar with Cumin,

Sole in White Wine,

Chicken a la Fronto,

Asparagus, Fried Carrots with a Wine Sauce,

### Wild Boar - Roman Recipe

- Translation from Apicius' De Re Coqu**inaria** 

Clean the meat with a sponge. Sprinkle with salt and ground cumin and let it remain this way (overnight). On the next day, roast it in the oven. When cooked, serve in a sauce of ground pepper, gravy from the boar, honey, stock, boiled wine and raisin wine. (Apicius, Book 8, I-I).

### Pork Roast with Cumin - Modern Recipe

- Baroness Jehanne de Huguenin - Adamastor Cook's Guild

Ingredients

3 lb. Pork roast

2-3 tbs. ground cumin

2 tsp. ground pepper

4-6 tbs. honey

1 chicken stock cube

3-4 tbs. boiled wine (wine boiled till it is reduced to a syrup)

½ cup Sweet white wine

Preheat oven to 350°

Rub the pork roast with cumin and salt. Cover and place in oven for  $1\frac{1}{2}$  - 2 hours or until the roast has an internal temperature of 160 degrees. Remove roast from pan and keep warm. Add to meat juices the stock, honey, and wines, and season to taste. Slice the roast thinly and pour sauce over it; warm in the oven before serving.

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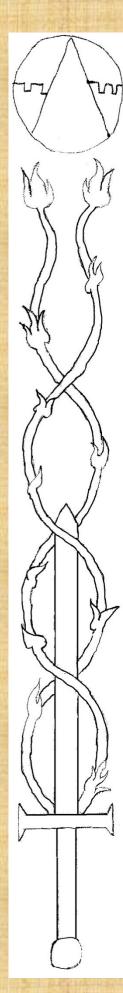
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## HEAR YE! HEAR YE!

WE SEND GREETINGS FROM THE CANTON OF DRAGONSFIRE TOR.

WE INVITE ONE AND ALL TO PARTAKE IN THE UPCOMING GUARDIAN OF THE TOR XXIII ON MAY 17, 2014, AT CAMP'N'FISH PARK IN GLEN ROSE, TEXAS.

IT IS AT THIS EVENT THAT MANY CONTENDERS MAY VIE FOR THE FOLLOWING **CHAMPIONSHIPS:** 

ARCHERY

BARDIC CHIVALRIC

RAPIER

THERE WILL BE ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG AND OLD

(AND THOSE OF US IN BETWEEN)

YOUTH BOFFER, CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES, THE STOCKS, AND A QUEST FOR THOSE SO INCLINED TO PARTICIPATE

THERE WILL BE A POTLUCK FEAST, SO PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR FEAST GEAR AND FAVORITE DISH.

SITE WILL BE OPEN FROM 7:00 AM ON SATURDAY UNTIL 12:00 PM ON SUNDAY. SITE FEES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

\$10.00 FOR ADULTS

\$5.00 FOR AGES1-17

FAMILY CAP OF \$30.00 (NMS FEES APPLY).

IF YOU WISH TO COME OUT AND JOIN US ON FRIDAY THERE WILL BE AN ADDI-TIONAL \$5.00 FEE PAID DIRECTLY TO THE SITE OWNER.

WE HOPE TO SEE MANY NEW AND FAMILIAR FACES THIS YEAR.

PET'S MUST BE ON A LEASH

YOUR HUMBLE EVENT STEWARDS:

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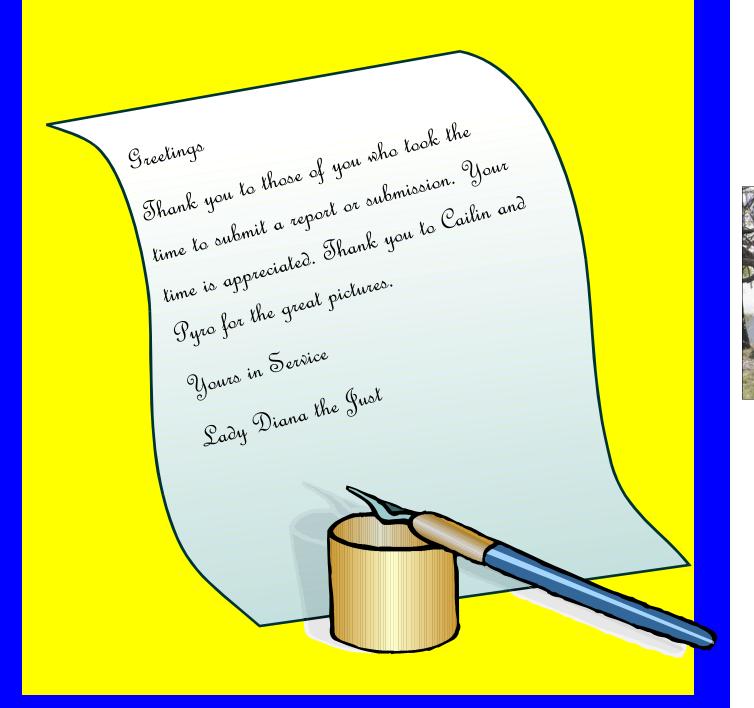
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