

The flamberge

The Bimonthly Newsletter of the Barony of the Flame : No. 2. August . 2000

Greetings from Their Excellencies Eric and Camilla

We would like to thank our recently retired baronial champions. Our new champions are as follows;
Archery- Lady Juliana Montalo del Mar.
Heavy weapons-Lord Chrysagon de Guerre.
A&S- Mistress Ilyana Yosipnova.

We will determine our rapier champion at a later date.

We would like to wish safe travels to all who attend Pennsic this year, and we plan to see many of you there. Remember we have Demos scheduled for this fall. We should have an update on these at the September meeting. Play safe, have fun, do something period.

Erick & Camilla

A Word about the Current Issue

This month's issue is rather slim. Pennsic is the major preoccupation of the mind right now; also the last issue was gotten out rather late in the month, for this I beg pardon of all ye good gentles. On the other hand, since there was no issue published in July, this is a definite improvement. I reiterate my call for articles, letters to the editor, complaints, questions, anything at all in all literary vein which might be of use to some other gentle than yourself. Art, poetry, how- to, and first-person articles are all welcome. I recommend to you the good example of our noble Baron and Baroness, who are without fail, and monthly provide me with some kind of information or missive to communicate to you, and to make part of the history of the Midrealm. Remember, these newsletters are the memory of the Kingdom, and are archived precisely for that purpose. Your contribution to these pages build the Dream for each one of us. - *the Chronicler*

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The Baronial Device

The baronial device of the Barony of the Flame may be blazoned, "Sable a wavy-bladed sword gules, hilted and the blade enflamed, in base a laurel wreath Or."

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Light Weapons Champion
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Regular Activities in The Barony of the Flame

Meetings of the Barony:

Third Sunday of the month, from 4:00-6:00 PM, in the hall of Resurrection Episcopal Church , 4100 Southern Pky., Louisville, KY (generally). All members of the Barony are invited to attend these important sessions.

Armored Combat practice:

Tuesday Nights , at the USAF ROTC Flightline Gym on the campus of the University of Louisville, Louisville KY.

ALSO Thursdays at 7:00 PM at Pritchard Community Center in Elizabethtown, KY. This is a loose practice with not as many people as the Tuesday night practice. It is usually held behind the center unless the weather is bad and then it is held inside.

Contact: Effendi ibn Uzziel Knight Marshal for Armored Combat .

Fencing Practice:

Tuesday Nights , at the USAF ROTC Flightline Gym on the campus of the University of Louisville, Louisville KY, Contact: Lord Aidan Blackstone, Marshal of Fence.

Middle Eastern Dance

Tuesday Nights , at the USAF ROTC Flightline Gym on the campus of the University of Louisville, Louisville KY, Contact: Lady Aroura, Mistress of Middle Eastern Dance.

Book Review: *The Daughter of Time*, by Josephine Tey, Scribner Paperback Fiction, (New York : Simon & Schuster, Inc., 1995). Reviewed by Tigernach mac Eóghain ua Áeda.

This is not a new book; it was written and published in 1951 and had its copyright renewed in 1979. I happen to find it stuck in the bookshelves of the house I live in, by chance. I didn't purchase it, but I'm glad somebody did. The author, Josephine Tey, was one of those brilliant British crime novelists writing between 1920 and 1950, who was able to conduct a successful career and earn complete living by writing immensely popular novels. This particular one has an unusual plot line, even for Josephine Tey: it involves a murder mystery solved by one Inspector Alan Grant, while recuperating in his hospital bed; and the mystery he solves is that of the deaths of Edward, Prince of Wales and Richard Duke of York, the famous "Princes in the Tower", whom every British school child learns were murdered by their uncle, Richard III Plantagenet. This legendary wickedness has been immortalized in drama by Shakespeare, and in cinema by Sir Laurence Olivier.

I found it hard to put down; and I usually don't read murder mysteries. *The Daughter of Time* is Truth; and this is the story of the search for truth. In conducting his investigation, Tey's Inspector Alan Grant has to wrestle with the problems of history and the vagaries of its manufacture. If Bismarck's remark about sausage and politics is a true word, even more, it seems, so those who enjoy history can be disturbed and repelled by the actions of the professional practitioners of the discipline. From an SCA point of view, *The Daughter of Time* is a wonderful exercise an object lesson in the comparative value of secondary and primary historical sources. In some ways, having a policeman's mind, - the kind that burrows into the small things- is better suited to discovering the truth of a historical matters than merely imbibing the official accounts of those who have gone before us. As one character puts it, " history is not so much found by reading accounts, as in reading account books " ; for materials not written as history frequently provide information that is excluded, passed over, or lied about by professional chroniclers who depend on their livelihood on powerful patrons. In the course of this novel, one gets a view of Richard III which is surprising, even shocking, to those who know him only from conventional and popular histories. If you want to understand why documentation is so important for the progress of our Arts and Sciences in the Society, this book will teach you the reason.

I highly recommend *The Daughter of Time*; I found fascinating to see historical problem solved by resort to sources, and most interestingly, analysis of the character and virtues of the actors in the drama of the young princes' death. This also rings true for our members who dream the Dream; in an age of mass culture, deliberate mediocrity, and studied ignorance of ages past, this book opens up a view of the villains and heroes in the age that saw the disastrous fall of the ancient house of Plantagenet, the rise to power of the Tudors and the beginning of the modern world.

Scribing and Calligraphy:

Tuesday Nights , Second floor classroom 202 at the USAF ROTC Flightline Gym on the campus of the University of Louisville, Louisville KY, Contact: Mistress Bianca, Minister of Arts & Sciences.

Stuff and Nonsense:

Monday nights, Held at the residence of Sör Ustad Hussan. Please contact Sör Ustad (ustad@msn.com) for directions or if you have any questions.

ADD YOUR ACTIVITY HERE!



The flamberge is always looking for articles, photos, poems, and the odd paragraph of lyrical prose, nuggets of historical information, quizzes, new ideas, and the like. Submit your work and see it in print!

















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Our Local Calendar – Upcoming Events August 2006

- 1 - Practice Meetings at Flightline Gym, U.of L. Campus, 7:30-9:00 P.M.
- 4-20 -   [Pennsic XXXV](#) [Slippery Rock, PA]
- 8,15 - Practice Meetings at Flightline Gym, U.of L. Campus, 7:30-9:00 P.M.
- 22 - Practice Meetings at Flightline Gym, U.of L. Campus, 7:30-9:00 P.M.
- 29 - Practice Meetings at Flightline Gym, U.of L. Campus, 7:30-9:00 P.M.

September 2006

- 1 - **PALE DEADLINE FOR OCTOBER 2006**
- 1-3 -   [Middle Kingdom Academy Of Defense \(MKAOD\)](#) {Ravenslake} [Lakemoore, IL]
- 5 - Practice Meetings at Flightline Gym, U.of L. Campus, 7:30-9:00 P.M
- 8-10 -  Battle at Dragon's Lake {Swordcliff} [Rochester, IL]
-  [Harvest Days](#) {Winged Hills} [Yellow Springs, OH]
- [Weekend of the Dragon II \(Day of the Dragon VII\)](#) {Dragon's Vale} [Mentone, IN]
- 12 - Practice Meetings at Flightline Gym, U.of L. Campus, 7:30-9:00 P.M
- 14-17 - Saxon Summer VI {Rivenvale} [Hubbard, OH]
- 16 -     [Grand Pageant & Coronation](#) {Sternfeld} [Indianapolis, IN]
- 17 - Baronial Business meeting, Church of the Resurrection, Louisville, 4:00-6:00 PM
- 20 - Practice Meetings at Flightline Gym, U.of L. Campus, 7:30-9:00 P.M
- 22-24 -  [Post War Party in the Pasture 2](#) {Starleaf Gate} [Kingsville, ON]
- [Pounce V](#) {Cattenden (Red Spears)} [Findlay, OH]
- [Rendezvous at the Bridge XVII](#) {Riviere Constelle} [Lincoln City, IN]
- 26 - Practice Meetings at Flightline Gym, U.of L. Campus, 7:30-9:00 P.M
- 29-1 -    [Vikings Come Home XV](#) {Donnershafen} [Kalkaska Twp., MI]
- 30 -  [Fox Hunt II](#) {Foxvale (Rokkehealden)} [Yorkville, IL]
-  [Red Dragon](#) {Tirnewydd} [Columbus, OH]