



The Newsletter of the Northern Marches, serving Allyshia, Ravenshore and Wudubolt be Secq

From The Editor

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It has been a busy summer thus far, and several fabulous events to go before the fall. As you all unpack, sort, and recuperate from the rigors of War, know that it is not long before we will see our neighbors again, in more peaceful engagements. This edition contains a sampling of things we in the Marches have been up to of late.

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Calendar of Events

Aug 10-12 Northern Marches A&S

Aug 23 Barony Business Meeting

Aug 24-26 Purgatorio Coronation

Oct 6 Ravenshore Games Day

Ongoing events

Heavy Fighter Practice - Tuesdays 6:00pm

Rapier Practice - Sundays 12:00pm

Fighter Practice + Scribal Night - Thursdays
6:00pm

Check the official calendar at allyshia.westkingdom.org/calendar for details.

From Their Excellencies

ERIK FIREDIVER AND SIGNY JÓLINNARDÓTTIR

As tourney season slowly draws to an end we turn our sights toward home and hearth. Great deeds were done on and off the field at the war, largely due to the efforts of the event staff. The robust Kiddie Pool Court this year was epic and we were happy to see so many people in attendance.

Looking into the near future, we are looking forward to attending Northern Marches Arts and Sciences. We strongly feel that arts and sciences are a crucial part of the SCA and we hope to see you there.

We are honored to be hosting Purgatorio in our fair lands, to witness the elevation of their Royal Highnesses as their predecessors step down from the august thrones of the West. We wish you all health and happiness in the coming months and hope to see you often and soon.

The Crescent Moon of the Marches

YRMENGERDIS OF ALLYSHIA

for Her Excellency Signy Jólinnardóttir

An Tir West War, 2018

(to the tune of "The Yellow Rose of Texas")

All across the great West Kingdom

Folks are sad and troubled sore

They're plagued with drought and wildfires,

Swamp monsters and more,

But up here in Allyshia,

We never shed a tear

For we've got a laughing Baroness

Who fills our lives with cheer.

Chorus:

She's our gracious lady Signy,
A-standing proud and tall,
She's a marvel with embroidery
And a kindly friend to all,
But just get her to giggle
And forget your every trial,
For the Crescent Moon of the Marches
Could make a menhir smile.

With her loving Baron Erik
And her dear Sven at her hand,
She travels 'cross the Marches,
Spreading joy across the land.
So if you're due an honor
And called up during Court,
Save your best joke to try and see
If you can make her snort.

(chorus)

So if your heart is troubled,
Just listen for her mirth,
And seek ye out those jolly Vikings
Gathered to her worth,
Raise a cup to the merry band
That hails from Ravenshore--
With the Crescent Moon of the Marches,
We'll be happy evermore!

(chorus)

Cooks Corner

A new feature suggested by His Excellency, Baron Erik. Each issue, we'll feature tasty recipes for your enjoyment (try not to salivate on the screen).

Scottish Barley & Mushroom Casserole

BARON ERIK

This is an easy, but tasty, and inexpensive dish. Barley is supposed to be good for lowering cholesterol too! Man, I'm getting hungry.

Servings: 8 Preparation Time: 1:30

Categories: Hearty, Healthy, Vegetarian

Ingredients

2 medium cooking onions, minced

1 clove garlic, to be crushed

3 Tablespoons olive oil

1 lb. mushrooms, sliced

1 cup pearl barley

1/2 cup fresh chopped basil, or 1 Tblsp dried

3 cups chicken broth (or vegetable broth if you wish)

1 teaspoon (or to taste) salt

1/2 teaspoon (or to taste) black pepper -- ground

1/2 cup fresh chopped parsley

Preparing the Dish

Preheat oven to 375.

In a stove-top to oven safe casserole dish, with a lid, sauté onions in oil until translucent. Or, alternately, saute in a non-stick pot and after step 5 transfer to an oven safe casserole dish that has a cover.

Add mushrooms & cook until tender. Crush garlic into mixture. Add barley, basil, salt, pepper & stock. Bring to boil.

Cover & put in oven. Cook until barley is tender approximately 50 minutes.

Toss with parsley & serve.

An Ode to a Fallen Prince

CHRISTEL LEAKE

There was a warrior great and strong
Was born into the West.

He found his feet among his friends
Then Spartans were the best.

Wooed women with his wicked wit
And won the hearts of some.

We didn't know yet at that time
The legend he'd become.

He traveled far and wide
Around the Knowne World he did go.
The East he conquered mightily
Took reign by beating foe.
Through starry nights and misty lands
Along his merry way,
He found his path to Aethelmearc
For true love he did stay.

The Crown Prince fought like magic
A wizard with a sword.
His Kingdom stood behind him
And like a lion he roared.
Upon the fields of Battlemoor
With honor he did fall.
Duke Sir Highness Titus
Answered the Valkyries' call.

Awards and Honors

REINOLD HALDANE, SEALION PURSUIVANT

Given by Erik and Signy, Baron and Baroness at Heron's Pool, April 21, 2018, A.S. LII

Dandelion Lord (baronial Heavy fighting Champion): Donnuban se Reid

Lotus Lord (Baronial Rapier Champion): Luiggi Giovanni di Rossi

Bard of Allyshia: Yrmengerdis of Allyshia

Baronial Bacon Babes: Solveig and Sonja

Given by Erik and Signy, Baron and Baroness at AnTir-West War, July 6, 2018, A.S. LII

Warrior of Allyshia: Anthony the Just, Dimitri Kalistasyn.

Partier extraordinaire: Jason of Ravenshore.

Shepherdess: Zbina Belagorski

Congratulations to All these fine gentles for their achievements and efforts! Hip Hip Huzzah!

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