

Fist Home Flyer

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Their Royal Majesties,
King Mansur ibn a-Sha'bi ibn Rafi' II & Queen Eilidh na Tire Dharigh II

(Photo Courtesy of THLady Fu Ching Lan)

Greetings to the Populace of Naevehjem!

War has been won and winter is near. The time of the Frost Dragon draws nigh and we must prepare to defend our Barony! Great festivities and feasting will bring us together to celebrate the bounty of the harvest and, hopefully, the defeat of the Frost Dragon!

Great Western War was a tremendous success and fun for all even though summer still lingered and it was hot. Friday evening a wonderful memorial was held for those we have lost in the recent past. Warm words were spoken, heart rendering song was sung, and the long ship was burned. Silence was shared and passed. No eyes were dry. It was a beautiful and moving moment of remembrances and good byes.

November is a time of celebration and new beginnings. Coronation will be held November 1 followed by Queen's Champion on the second. Then we have Calafia Anniversary the next weekend. Frost Dragon is November 15 with the Baronial Archery Championship on the 16th. We encourage all to travel in support of our Kingdom Events. If travel is not possible, we have much to do for Frost Dragon. Remember many hands make light the work!

Our Newcomers meetings have been quite successful and we thank Nicola for all her efforts. We have a demo the first week of November at the High School. There will be fighting and talking on many topics each day that week at noon in the

High School Library. There is talk of starting a sewing evening which is a wonderful idea. We will also be making new "Castle Walls" soon and there is always the need for banners.

The end of the year will soon be upon us. We will all be busy and rushed. Please take time to stop, slow down, and enjoy this wonderful time of year. Share moments of kindness with others. Reflect on the bounty we have all around us. Enjoy the precious moments of life for they happen only once and become only memories.

Happy Holidays to all and Peace be with You and Yours!

Yours in Service to the Dream,

Rudolf and Amicia



FROST DRAGON
NAEVEHJEM BARONIAL ANNIVERSARY & FEAST
NOVEMBER 15, 2014

Warriors! One and all! Brave souls of Caid! The Frost Dragon has again threatened our lands and will descend upon us at the Anniversary for the Barony of Naevehjem! Come help us to once more vanquish him to hell's cold gate from whence he came.

The day's fighting events will take place at the Desert Empire Fairgrounds at 520 S. Richmond Rd., Ridgecrest, CA, 93555 on Saturday, November 22, 2014. There will be prize tourneys for heavy weapons and rapier—and of course, a special prize for the brave soul who slays the intrepid Frost Dragon.

Event Steward: THL Eularia d' Amboise (steward@naevehjem.org).

Schedule

8:00 a.m.	Site Opens
9:00 a.m.	Lists Open (Lists will close 15 min. after Opening Court)
10:00 a.m.	Opening Court
4:00 p.m.	Closing Court
5:30 p.m.	Site Closes
5:30 p.m.	Feast Hall Opens (maps will be provided)
6:30 p.m.	Feast Commences
9:00 p.m.	Feast Hall Closes

Site fees are \$7.00 for SCA members over 12 years of age; non-SCA members over 12 years of age will be \$12.00 (includes \$5.00 non-member surcharge) , and 12 and under are free guests of the Barony. Make checks payable to: SCA Inc./Barony of Naevehjem.

Submit an entry into the Naevehjem Arts & Science contest. Bring your best haiku, brews, food, artwork... The theme is "A Toast to Memories". The Barony will also have fun activities for children of all ages.

Contact the Event Steward to reserve eric spaces for your Baronial or Shire pavilions! Merchants are welcome for the mere cost of the site fee. All merchant regulations will apply. Space is limited so please contact the event steward at steward@naevehjem.org for more merchant information.

This is a dry site. There are no trash cans at the site - all trash must be carried out when the event is complete.

After the event, come and enjoy a sumptuous feast prepared once again by THLs Liam and Magnus as they take you on a tour with delicacies from the Celtic & British Isles. Bring out your best dessert recipe! A Dessert Contest will also be part of the evening festivities

with prize's awarded for most period and Baron's Favorite. The title of Confectioner to the Baron of Naevehjem will be awarded to the Baron's choice of desserts.

Feast fee is \$17.00 for those over 12 years of age, \$10.00 for children under 12. Advance reservations for the feast are highly encouraged, as space is limited. Please send your reservations into the Event Steward at steward@naevehjem.org. The feast will be held at the Knights of Columbus, 725 W Ridgecrest Blvd., Ridgecrest, CA 93555.

Directions to the Desert Empire Fairgrounds

From the West/North: Take CA Hwy 14 to CA 178 East (Inyokern/Ridgecrest Turn off). Continue East until you must turn right on China Lake Blvd. Take China Lake Blvd south and turn left on Ridgecrest Blvd (Bank of America on corner). Turn right on Richmond Rd. (stoplight). The fairgrounds and parking lot will be on your left.

From the East/South: Take Interstate 15 to US Hwy 395 and turn east at the first Ridgecrest exit (China Lake Blvd.). From China Lake Blvd turn right onto Bowman Road (Wal-Mart). Turn left onto Richmond Rd (there is a stone and rock vendor on the corner). The fairgrounds and parking lot will be on your right (after the RVs).

.FROST DRAGON BARONIAL ARCHERY & THROWN WEAPONS CHAMPIONSHIP

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2014

The Archers of Naevehjem will host a shoot for the Baronial Archery and Thrown Weapons Championship at Baldwin Keep, 3750 W. Drummond Dr., Ridgecrest, CA 93555 (maps will be available). There will be assorted novelty shoots and Thrown Weapons as well as the Baronial Championship, which will be a Forester Round. There is no site fee, but donations will be gladly accepted. Crossbows are welcome and will have their own category.

Schedule

9:00 a.m.	Site Opens/Setup
9:30 a.m.	Warm-up Rounds
10:00 a.m.	Archery Tournament Begins
4:00 p.m.	Site Closes

The Archery Event Steward is Mistress Katherine of Anglesey. Contact the archery event steward for more information at steward@naevehjem.org.

"Metal from the Indies falls on Spain like rain on a roof, and then flows away."(Spanish saying)

Written by Baron Rudolph Fekter

While cleaning the Baronial manor house we found a dust-covered box of letters written by Rudolf during his travels as a 16th Century silver mining consultant. Some concern his trips to the New World.

You may ask why a 16th Century German miner might be in the New World? The simple reason is money. At their peak in 1526-1535, European silver mines boomed a total of 350,000 marks a year (1 mark = 8 1/2 oz.), much of it from Saxony. By the end of the 16th Century European silver mining fell to only 100,000 German marks/year, while 10 times that amount was passing through the harbor of Seville, Spain. I am willing to bet that by the year 1600, more than 3/4 of the world's total silver production was coming from Potosí (elevation 13,000' in the Andes Mts), or the mining districts of New Spain (Mexico). This fact is important to any discussion of wealth, treasure, piracy, economics, wars, or international politics in the 16th Century.

Prelude

Carlos I, a.k.a. Charles V, Holy Roman Emperor. Carlos/Charles was king of Aragon, Castile & León at the time Cortes conquered the Aztecs. He was the eldest son of Joanna of Castile, daughter of King Ferdinand of Aragon and Queen Isabella of Castile. He was also the same man as Charles V, son of Phillip the Handsome, Duke of Burgundy and grandson of Holy Roman Emperor Maximilian.

Carlos/Charles is worth some explanation. Born in 1500 in Ghent (Flanders), one of 6 children, Charles did not speak Spanish while growing up. His mother Joanna inherited the throne of Castile when Queen Isabella died in 1504. Phillip the Handsome became King of Castile (but not Aragon) as a consequence of his wife becoming Queen. King Ferdinand of Aragon (Aragon was a separate kingdom) did not like his son-in-law. Phillip died two years later in 1506. Queen Joanna was declared mentally unfit and placed in a nunnery (although well-educated and fluent in 5 languages, she was also prone to depression and the victim of an unhappy marriage). Ferdinand became regent for his daughter and gladly ruled both kingdoms. When Ferdinand died in 1516, Cardinal Cisneros became regent and sent for 16 year-old Charles. Legally, both thrones belonged to Queen Joanna. After his grandfather's funeral Charles was proclaimed king jointly with his mother as Queen (in the nunnery), on condition that he learn Spanish, take no gold out of the country and respect the laws of both countries.

Charles's other grandfather Maximilian died in 1519. Charles decided to run for the office his grandfather had held (Holy Roman Emperor is an elected position, which is why the princes of Germany are called

Electors). His primary competitor on the ballot was King Francis I of France, Uncle to King Henry VIII of England. Charles borrowed phenomenal, vast amounts of money from the Fugger banking family of Germany to buy the election, and borrowed lesser amounts from Italian bankers. He won the election and went to Germany to accept the title.

Spanish taxpayers did not appreciate their role in funding the Holy Roman Emperor's election (remember the nobility and church are exempt from taxes). Cities and communities began to ask "Is Castile merely a province of the Holy Roman Empire?" The result was the Revolt of the Comuneros (1519-1521). Some cities formed militias and mutual defense agreements, others simply stopped sending taxes. Foreign banks ceased granting loans to the king's government. The army ran out money. The revolt was firmly put down largely by the regent(s) left to rule when Charles/Carlos went to Germany.

That is what was happening in Spain while Conquistadors were settling Hispaniola, despoiling Cuba and getting ready to investigate the mainland. The heir to the Spanish thrones was equally the heir of Flanders. This 19-year-old's election as Holy Roman Emperor put him in debt to the Fugger banking family, mired Spain in the politics of central Europe and guaranteed that Spain would be eventually get involved in the Wars of Religion. Why was he willing to risk taking out such a loan? Possibly because the conquistadors in the Caribbean were were sending stories of the civilization thought to exist on the mainland.

Stayed Tuned....next: Black Conquistadors

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- Isabella of Castile:
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- Phillip the Handsome:
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BARONIAL CALENDAR

- 03 NOV** **Medieval Dance Class**
6 - 8pm @ Knights of Columbus
- 12 NOV** **Baronial Dinner Meeting**
5:30pm @ Casey's
(meeting at 6:30pm)
- 15 NOV** **Frost Dragon: Naevehjem Baronial Anniversary Feast** (See Page 4 & 5)
- 16 NOV** **Frost Dragon: Naevehjem Baronial Archery & Thrown Weapons Championship** (See Page 5)
- 8 DEC** **Newcomer's Meeting**
6:00pm @ Knights of Columbus
- 10 DEC** **Baronial Dinner Meeting**
5:30pm @ Casey's
(meeting at 6:30pm)
- 15 DEC** **Arts & Sciences Night**
6:00pm @ Knights of Columbus
- 17 JAN** **Naevehjem Yule**
Location and details TBD

Monday Night Fighter Practice
6—8 pm
Knights of Columbus

Wednesday Night Scriptorium
7—9 pm
Baldwin's Keep

Sunday Archery & Thrown Weapons
2—4 pm
Baldwin's Keep

KINGDOM CALENDAR

- 1 NOV** **Fall Coronation**
Anaheim United Methodist Church
Anaheim, CA
- 2 NOV** **Queen's Champion**
Mile Square Park
Fountain Valley, CA
- 8 NOV** **Calafia Anniversary**
Lakeside, CA
- 15 NOV** **Isles Anniversary**
Goleta, CA
- 22 NOV** **Calafia Equestrian Championship**
Lakeside, CA
- 22 - 23NOV** **Collegium of the Desert**
Las Vegas, NV
- 29 NOV** **Wintermist Yule**
Bakersfield, CA
- 6 DEC** **Starkhafn Yule**
Las Vegas, NV
- 6 DEC** **Winter Arts (Calafia)**
San Diego, CA
- 6 DEC** **Dun Or Yule**
Lancaster, CA
- 7 DEC** **Gyldenholt/Lyondomere Winterfest**
Long Beach, CA
- 13 DEC** **Dreiburgen Yule**
- 13 DEC** **Nordwache Yule**
Fresno, CA
- 13 DEC** **Altavia/Angels Yule**
Sherman Oaks, CA
- 14 DEC** **Caid Kingdom War Practice**
Schmidt Park
Victorville, CA
- 3 JAN** **12th Night—A Day for Common Pleasures**
Riverside, CA

Caid Kingdom War Practice

December 14, 2014

11:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Schmidt Park , 13576 Mustang Road , Victorville , CA 92395
(Highlands War Location)

Event Steward: Lord Tiberius Finn Caid Army Webwright

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Hail Armoured Fighters of Caid!

We are excited to announce the Royal Army of Caid Army Practice on December 14th! This date is the most reasonable date within a 90 day window and before the end of 2014. It will take place at the Highlands War Site, Schmidt Park , 13576 Mustang Road , Victorville , CA 92395.

This site is centrally located and allows almost everyone about the same 3 hour commute to the site. We would like to get representation from as many Warbands and Fighting Units within the Kingdom as possible. Please make an effort and beat the drum to rally the troops and have as many fighters from every barony, shire, household and warband to attend!

There has been a lot of discussion and interest on the status of the Caid Army in the wake of GWW. This is a great chance for folks to show up, armor up and put words into action.

This practice will go no later than 5:00 PM.

Bring a chair so we can meet and discuss reorganization and leadership, the following issues.

We will run through a series of drills including :

Formations & Movements

- Unit Formations
- Universal Army / Brigade Commands
- Marching, Obliques, Wheels, Refuses
- Every unit should know how to anchor a side and refuse.
- Bridge Battles - Commands
- Shieldwall Advance into Fire
- How to Give Ground
- Skirmish Order
- Combine multiple spears to form a super spear unit
- Archery Integration - How to Deal with multiple archers

We will break into two sides and do some hard fighting. The format will be similar to Potrero War, 4-5 quick battles with no rest, then a 5 min break. We shall shoot for at least 20 battles.

Army Reorganization

- Sir Augustine passes on Cpt General Regalia
- Command Roles - Captain General & Staff
- Choosing Leaders - Election/Poll of the Unit Leaders/ Who Wants To Participate
- Elections are not done anymore, return to them to just continue with impromptu poll of different units.
- Restructure - Old System or New Reorganization
- Break Army into South, Central and Northern Groups (Balin idea)

Army Logistics

- Contact List - Commanders & their 2nds
- New Army Favours - 4 Caidan crescents ?
- Banners

Army Recruitment

- How

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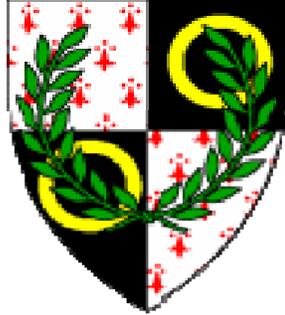
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Calligraphy/Scriptorium : 7-9pm every Wednesday

English Country & Middle Eastern Dance: by arrangement

Cooking Guild: by arrangement

Archery and Thrown Weapons: 4-6pm every Sunday

Hounds of Caid: by arrangement

For more information on these events, contact:

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