



Newsletter of the
Barony of Naevhjem
February 2018



Greetings Naevehjem!

Another busy year is off to a fast start; however, for some of us it has been a delayed start due to various forms of the "plague." We hope you are all feeling better and ready to resume our crazy lives! If for any reason you are not feeling well, DO NOT feel obligated to attend an event just because you promised.....we enjoy making memories and enjoy your company, just don't spread those pesky germs!

Coronation was fun. And the feast that evening was so good, we were stuffed! The Queen's new heavy weapons champion is - - - Sir Sven! Rudolf did not compete in QC, but fought the part of The Dreaded By in several matches.

The Shires of Darach and the Isles are joining forces to present Black Oak Lodge and Festival of the Rose this February 2-4. The facilities will be at a Boy Scout Camp near Pacific Palisades, CA. We were advised to register in advance; because the site entrance goes through a gate with a keypad and password (good reason!).

Our March 17th Family Fun and Arts & Sciences Day has already had its first announcement at Queen's Champion and second announcement at Queen's Archery Championship. We look forward to showing off Naevehjem's skills and expect lots of good classes. Rooms and space have been reserved at Kerr-McGee, so all is coming along as it should.

Yours In Service

Rudolf

and

Amicia

Baron

Baroness





Esteemed Members of the Populace, and Honored Guests,

Last night the Great Officers of Caid met to select an interim regent as our Royals have abdicated their claim to the Throne without naming a Regent.

All 7 Great Officers were present for the meeting, and participated in the vote.

Before proceeding with the selection process, I reminded ALL of the officers of our duty to protect the Kingdom, Society, and our people. We must act in the best interest of those that we hold dear, and hold ourselves accountable for our own actions both online, and at events.

Since this is unprecedented for Caid and not thoroughly explained in our Kingdom Law, we proceeded by majority vote.

We decided by a vote of 4 to 3 to define the Regent as one person, and not a pair or couple.

We decided by a vote of 6 to 1 to allow the Regent to participate in an interim Crown Tournament if those so desired a tournament, and wanted to participate as either a combatant or a consort.

With the understanding that the Regent would not be involved with the running of the event, nor would they be involved with the approval process of those entering into said Crown. In the case of Regent participation in the tournament, the Great Officers would approve all entrants into the interim Crown tournament .

With the Board's approval, the Regent would recognize members of the populace with Award of Arms ranked recognition only. Grant level, or Patent level awards would not be allowed.

We considered 12 esteemed members of the populace of Caid. With a 7 to 0 vote in favor, we have selected Duchess Faizeh Al-Zarqa.

Duchess Faizeh will assume the Regent position on February 3rd. We invite all members of the populace to come and bear witness.

An interim Crown Tournament, and coronation will be scheduled on March 10th. The victors will be elevated upon the tournament field. They will reign until June 23rd, 2018.

A 2nd Crown tournament will be held on March 11th to determine the heirs of Caid. The Heirs will coronate on June 23rd.

Please congratulate Duchess Faizeh on her willingness to serve the Kingdom in our time of need.

In constant service to the dream,

Master Christian de Guerre, OP
Kingdom Seneschal of Caid



A Letter from Your Chronicler

I am a little later than usual getting this out. With everything going on, I've been sorting through my feelings and had to wait until my mind was clear to do this. With that being said, Please remember, Estrella War is right around the corner!

They have youth archery AND youth thrown weapons. Equestrian is not there this year but it's being discussed for next year. They also have an A&S competition, which will include youth entries! It's supposed to be a very fun time and as soon as my family gets back, I'll have one of them write up a report about their trip.

Also, We have our March event coming up which should also be a good time. There is also the two Crown Tourneys in March, which should make for an interesting time.

Other than that, I hope everyone stays healthy and has a wonderful month!

LONG LIVE CAID!

Yours in Service,

Lady Marwyn Breese



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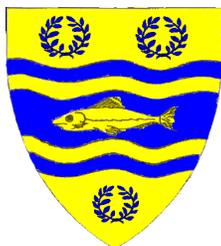
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Submissions for the next issue
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So please, send your event write-ups, photos, articles, clippings, re-
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or late-night ravings to:

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(depending on your preference)

NOTICE

ARCHERY IS IN

WINTER

HOURS NOW!

2:30-4:30 PM

Sundays!



Baronial Calendar

- 12 February Newcomers Meeting
6:00pm @ Knights of Columbus
- 19 February A&S Night
6:00pm @ Knights of Columbus
- 21 February Baronial Business Meeting
5:00pm Dinner @ Casey's Meeting starts at 6:00pm
- 26 February A&S Night
6:00pm @ Knights of Columbus
- 5 March Equestrian Meeting
6:00pm @ Knights of Columbus
- 12 March Newcomers Meeting
6:00pm @ Knights of Columbus
- 14 March Baronial Business Meeting
5:00pm Dinner @ Casey's Meeting starts at 6:00pm
- 19 March A&S Night
6:00pm @ Knights of Columbus

Knights of Columbus is Located at: 725 W Ridgecrest Blvd, Ridgecrest, CA 93555

Casey's Steakhouse is Located at: 1337 N China Lake Blvd, Ridgecrest, CA 93555

Monday Night Fighter Practice
6 - 8 pm @ Knights of Columbus

Monthly Business Meeting
2nd Wednesday of the month

Sunday Archery & Thrown Weapons@ Baldwin's Keep
4-6pm every Sunday (Summer Hours)
2:30-4pm every Sunday (Winter Hours starting in November)





Kingdom Calendar



- Feb 10-11 Practicum of War
9am in Starkhafn
- Feb 10 Pol na Gainmhe Anniversary
8am in Galafia
- Feb 17 Chivalry Tourney
10am in Nordwache
- Feb 20-26 Estrella War
In Atenveldt
- Feb 23-25 King's Hunt
2pm in Carreg Wen
- Feb 24 St. Isadore Anniversary
8am in Galafia
- Mar 3 Galafia/Gyldeholt Friendship Tourney
8:30am in Galafia
- Mar 9-11 Known World Arts and Sciences Symposium
In East Kingdom
Crown Tournaments
12pm in al-Sahid
- Mar 11 Kingdom Officers Meeting
8:30am in al-Sahid

HEMP IN THE MIDDLE AGES

'Cannabis' is the scientific name for an herb of the mulberry family otherwise known as Hemp, Hashish, and/or Marijuana. In this article Hemp refers to the variety grown for fiber and Hashish to the variety grown for a narcotic-rich resin. The variety known as Marijuana was basically unknown in the United States & Europe until the 20th Century and is not described here.

Cannabis was originally domesticated in Asia thousands of years ago, but it has had quite a mixed history since the Stone Age. The fiber found in its stalk has been a major source of cloth, canvas, rope and even paper for centuries. Even the English word 'canvas' derives from the Latin cannabis. On the other hand, some cultures have also grown it for the chemical properties of its resin. We get another word from that side of its history; 'assassin' comes from the Arabic hashishiyyin, 'hashish-user.'

Hemp in Ancient Times

The wild ancestors of cannabis are/were native to the temperate zone of central Asia. It was probably domesticated in prehistoric times in north China/southern Siberia (Li, 1974). Ancient Chinese records include refer to hemp, and cotton was not introduced to China until the 10th or 11th century AD. While the rich of ancient China wore silk, ordinary peasants wore hemp. It was apparently once an important part of the culture; the Li Chi (the 'Book of Rites') instructs one to wear hemp cloth for the mourning rites at the deaths of ones parents (Li, 1974). The seeds were a normal part of Chinese diet in pre-Christian times, right along with millet, barley, rice, & soybeans. The use of hemp seed as food gradually declined in favor of other grains during the Middle Ages.

Chinese doctors were aware of the medicinal & narcotic properties of má. They knew that too much "ma-fen" (fruits of hemp) would make one 'see devils.' Nevertheless, there is no record that ancient China had any drug problems with má. Maybe the reason is Confucian ideals. Maybe ignorance. Or maybe the need for warm winter clothes outweighed the desire to grow other products.

The ancient Greeks used hemp for rope and sailcloth, and imported much of it from the cities of the eastern Aegean and the Black Sea. Navies all the way from the Greeks to the U. S. Navy have used hemp sailcloth; the very word 'canvas' derives from 'cannabis.' Why? Because hemp fiber lasts and can be grown in northern countries. When Henry VIII started expanding England's navy, much of the navy's hemp was imported from the Baltic countries. Russia supplied much of the British Navy's hemp fiber up until the 19th century. (Note. If your navy & merchant fleet are made of sailing ships, then 3 resources are vital for national security: forests of tall trees, hemp, and tar. Sailing ships typically replaced their canvas & rope every two years.)

Europeans grew hemp during the Middle Ages. Not only for rope & rough canvas; good quality hemp looks and behaves much like flax-linen. Many a serf's working tunic or a peasant woman's dress were made of hemp. A feudal village had to grow enough flax or hemp to supply its needs. Yet as a society grows from a feudal economy to a money economy, your typical peasant farmer begins to start thinking like a businessman. Hemp did not bring in as many shillings per acre as wheat or other crops.

Hemp was essential as the British navy expanded. Some was grown in the British Isles, but not enough to supply the needs of British merchant ships. By the 17th century the bulk of naval supplies was coming from Baltic countries. Hemp was introduced to the Virginia colony in 1611. The London Company vainly tried to break the dependence of the Virginia colony on tobacco - and to alleviate Britain's dependence on foreign hemp. Unsuccessfully. Note these statistics for 1621 Colonial Virginia:

sold for

dressed flax	22-30 shillings/hundred weight
hemp	10-22 shillings/hundred weight
good tobacco	3 shillings/pound.

An acre of flax yielded	400-500 lbs. of fiber,
An acre of hemp yielded	1000 lbs. of fiber,
An acre of tobacco yielded	1000 lbs.

So the value for each crop computes to-

flax	88-150 shillings/acre
hemp	100-220 shillings/acre
tobacco	3000 shillings/acre

You can see where the money was. The history of Colonial Virginia was all about boom/bust cycles in the tobacco market. Virginia farmers grew enough hemp to supply their own needs, and to bring a little cash during years when tobacco prices crashed. But never enough to offset Virginia's dependence on tobacco.

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Cooking Guild: by arrangement

Hounds of Caid: by arrangement

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Archery and Thrown Weapons: 4-6pm every Sunday (Summer Hours)

2:30-4:30pm every Sunday (Winter Hours)

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