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Weekend 7, September 28 & 29, 1996

Congratulations

To all who participated in the 26th year of the Minnesota Renaissance Festival! We continue to grow and improve each year. The successes are due to the hard work of many people. We survived the dust of the first 5 weekends, the rain last weekend and, hope fully, this weekend will be sunny and breezy.

The staff of Mid-America Festivals wishes to express our gratitude and appreciation to all of you for playing a part in producing such a fabulous event.

Together we create the greatest festival in the country!



Thank You For A Successful Season

The Marketing Department would like to extend a sincere thank you to the following people who have helped to make our lives a little easier this Festival season.

All the dedicated individuals who participated in parades and promotions prior to the opening of the Festival. (I would list all your names, but it would cover an entire page!)

Tony Miller, Tim Wick, Jacquelyn America, George Herman, Kim Smith, D'Lis Schmidt, Sandy Watters, Rali Gilchrist and Madame Caroline for doing both call-in and live radio interviews throughout the season.

Jim Cunningham and Mike Borka and King George for producing our radio ads and providing the voice-overs for TV spots.

Pam Silver, Amy Jo Kloss, Jason Hagemeyer, Heidi Fulkerson, Carly Eichhorst, Morgan Conery, Dominic Liljenquist for all your hard work in the Children's Realm. (You are the best staff we have ever had!)

Sherry Roth, Stephan Miller, Melissa Wood, Brandon Rhodes for dealing with all the rowdy crowds at beer and wine tastings as well as all our last minute events.

Brian Murphy and Brad Petterson for being terrific special event MC's.

David Bryce for assisting with the Charity Silent Craft Auction.

The New Riders of the Golden Age and members of Quintain & Ring Jousting for not yelling at us to long and hard for the Mid-East Mirage bellydancing and bagpipers that interfered with your shows. Bob Otto for allowing the sheep to stay in your pens during the Highland Fling weekend.

All the entertainers who have posed for photo shoots and/or allowed Mike Jamieson to video tape your act throughout the season.

Nicole and Teresa and the CKC staff for preparing all the food for our corporate parties.

Kathy, Cindy, Nancy, BJ, Dave, Dennis, Harvey and the entire site crew for all your set up and help prior to and during each special event weekend.

Rebecca Greenwood and her Front Gate staff for handing out Exit bags, programs and broad-sheets as well as stuffing Pet Gate bags and dealing with all our sponsors.

Hammer, Drew, E.C. & Rook for not demanding royalty fees for their photo being placed in approximately 100 female bathrooms throughout the Twin Cities.

Bruce, Dan and Steve of the Musketeers for keeping track of the Crazy Cabby and the assorted other radio personalities.

Scott Livingston, 'cause he's a cool guy.

George Herman, Bill Lochen, Carr Hagerman, John Behr, Dane Breimhorst, Rali Gilchrist, Jay King, Chuck Nastrom, Darren O'Bryan, Anthony Demborsky, Laura Lochen, Wayne Grimmer, Scott Peterson, Loraine Garland, Tonya Brody, Chris Ritt, Gretchen Curtner, Gwen Somdahl and the members of Morrgan for Their Renaissance Smoker participation and efforts to make the production happen.

We apologize in advance for forgetting to thank anyone we may have forgotten. Truthfully, every participant in the Festival deserves a thank you for contributing to another successful season!!!

An Extra Special Thank You

Michelle Davis

Thank you for attending and coordinating all the parades throughout the season, designing promotional material, making many phone calls, reminding us of things to follow through on, helping with all the events and activities during the run of show and overall reducing our level of stress!

Stacey Shoyat

Huzzah for your increase in trade advertising, press party success, MLT Vacation sponsorship and genuine desire to help with anything that needed to be done both in the office and during the run of show.

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Thank you for brightening our day with your smile, telling us funny stories, dealing with our guests, decorating, offering support and stuffing exit bags.

You have been both a terrific hostess in the Media Room and a great friend. We truly appreciate everything you have done for us this season.

Diana & Greg

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Participant Party

- When: Tonight, Saturday, September 28
8 p.m. to 12 midnight
- Where: Ups and Downs Area (600 line)
Bad Manor - Slide Show
Pavilion - Awards Ceremony
Large Tent - DJ & Party
- Who: All participants:
CKC employees
Crafters
Entertainers
Food Independents
Gamers
All workers

What: A BIG "Thank You" for helping make
this a VERY successful season.

Food and Beverages will be served.

Why: Why Not?

Don't forget:
If you are 21 years old, you will
need your ID if you plan on partak-
ing in cocktails.

Dress Code: Please wear some!!!

Garbage Ground Rules

1. No glass in bags on site.
2. Crafters, Food Independents and Actors are responsible for their own trash removal to dumpsters.
3. No garbage is to be set out on site for someone else to pick up.
4. No wood in dumpsters.

Thanks for your cooperation

Lost !

A 2-seater, 3 wheel bike, was parked be-
hind the costume shop. If you have any
information, please call 445-7361, ext.
213.

Found!

A neutered, male, orange tabby cat with a
green collar. Check with booth # 143 if
you have any information on the owners.



Special Events



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September 28-29

Pirates, Pleasures & Treasures
Fair

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LEGO™ Castle Building Contest

King Henry is in search of young castle builders to create a model castle worthy of his royal judgement of Apprentice Castle Builder. All contestants will receive the same number of LEGO™ building blocks to construct a model in 20 minutes. Enter to compete at the Pavilion beginning at 11 a.m., 3 and 5 p.m., in the following age categories: 7-9, 10-12, 13-15. The 15 contestants' names will be drawn prior to the scheduled event at 11:30, 3:30 and 5:30. Contestants must be present at the time of drawing. Enter to compete only once.

Perfect Pirate Contest

Aye, matey!!! The Privateers will host the Perfect Pirate Contest at 4:30 on the Pavilion stage. Don your eye patch, participate in a pirate training session and compete to win the title of "The Perfect Pirate." The winner will be chosen by the crowd's applause.

Village Costume Contest

We know Festival participants have great costumes, but so do many of the patrons. Invite your friends and relatives to show off their best Renaissance attire at 12:30 at the Pavilion. Winners will receive Renaissance Festival t-shirts, goblets and medallions. All participants will be invited to join in the Grand Marche Parade at 1:30.

Renaissance Smoker

Smoke, Eat, Drink and be Merry! Thank you to everyone who participated in the Renaissance Smoker. We will be having another seating on Saturday, September 28, from 6 - 7 p.m. The ticket includes 2 premium cigars, a 4-course meal, complimentary Abe's Ale, seating with Renaissance characters and King Henry's finest entertainment. For reservations, visit the Feast Information Booth.

TalkAlong Scavenger Hunt

Join the fun for the TalkAlong Scavenger Hunt! All participants should meet at the Pavilion at 12:30 to get your official TalkAlong Scavenger Hunt list and bag. The goal is to find all 10 items on the list! Bring your filled bag to the drop barrel located behind the Pavilion. A drawing will be held at 4:30 and the first bag pulled containing every item will win a day at Camp Snoopy and dinner for six at the Rainforest Cafe.

CRAFT NOMINEES TO THE MASTERS PROGRAM

Each year at this time the Masters nominate candidates for the Masters Program. A ballot is then distributed, and all Masters vote to select new Masters and Artisans. We proudly present the 1996 nominees:

FOR MASTER

Bill MacRae, Ye Copper Burning, Shop #112
Gayle Bondus, Gayle Bondus Leather, Shop #115
Sandy Barry, M'Lord & Tailors, Shop #125
Patricia Griffin, Tall Toad, Shop #133
Craig Johnson, Arms & Armor, Shop #146-148
Chris Poor, Arms & Armor, Shop #146-148
Richard Mittelstadt, Watercolors, Shop #227
Carlos Frey, Carlos Frey Portraits, Shop #401
Janis Andler, The Gnome Wizard, Shop #420
Dave Lynas, The Gnome Wizard, Shop #420
Dennis Blankenheim, The Bronze Jewelers, Shop #435
Fran Doll, The Bronze Jewelers, Shop #435
Stephen Edmonston, Art Glass, Shop #605
Curtis Burrell, New Wineskins Leather, Shop #627
Katie Beery, Sherwood Calligraphy, Shop #638

FOR ARTISAN

Wilfred Schneider, Marquetry, Shop #134A
Elliot Silberman, 5 Min. Portraits by Giotto, Shop #322
John Larsen, Bohemian Beveled Glass, Shop #343
Ginger Baird, The Bard's Musik Shoppe, Shop #426
Rod Baird, The Bard's Musik Shoppe, Shop #426
Mark Doran, Wood, Willows & WhatKnots, Shop #606-607
Gary Zahradka, Omega Swords, Shop #720
Susan Zahradka, Omega Swords, Shop #720
Karen Lund, Royal Stable, Shop #743
Bridget Donahue, Bridget Donahue Pottery, Shop #805
Masha Goodman-Reeve, Singletree, P-36

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and
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Minimum Code Requirements for Sleeping Areas

from the Scott County Building Inspector

Sleeping areas must be separated from other occupancies with a minimum occupancy separation of 1 hour.

Sleeping areas shall have at least one operable window or door approved for emergency escape or rescue.

Every building or usable portion thereof shall have at least one exit and shall not be less than 3' in width and 6' 8" in height.

There shall be a floor or landing at each side of a door with a minimum size of 36" x 36".

A smoke detector shall be installed in each sleeping area. Smoke detectors shall receive their primary power from the building wiring and be equipped with a battery backup. Wiring shall be permanent.

Sleeping areas shall have a floor area of not less than 70 square feet and a ceiling height of not less than 7' 6".

A building permit is required for change of use and remodeling.

Note: These are preliminary minimum requirements and are subject to changes.

Participant Slide Show

Saturday, September 28, 1996
7:30 & 9 p.m.
at Bad Manor

Last Chance

"Come one, Come all!!"

CKC and Participant Vendors - get your remembrances at 10% discount at the 1240 Traveller's Booth by the Bear on Saturday, September 28. Sunday will be too late! This is a great deal! Remember Birthdays and Christmas!



Announcing dates and times for the Halloween Show

The "Shock Asylum" will run Thursday through Sunday, October 17- 20 and October 24 - 27; then Wednesday and Thursday, October 30 and 31.

Admission is \$9.95 for adults; \$4.95 for children.

The Phantom's Feast will be held October 19, 26 and 31, 7 - 8:30 p.m. The price is \$50 per person.



To All Travelers' Employees!

A Great Big "Thank You" !!!

This year was a great success, due to all your attendance and efforts!

I really enjoyed meeting and working with all of you! Your dedication to the Festival is phenomenal. I hope to see all of you return next year, so that we can keep our team strong.

Stay well -- see you next year!

Kimberly Forsythe
Travelers' Concessions Supervisor

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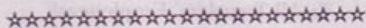
Craft Department Reminders

* **Craft Awards:** Outstanding work and contributions of Festival craft participants will be recognized at the participant party this Saturday night. The awards themselves have been purchased directly from the craft shops at the Festival. Be there with your applause and Huzzahs - you may be a winner!

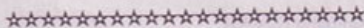
* **Taxes:** An unavoidable fact of life. Michelle Gilster of the MN Department of Revenue will be in the Gate B area on **Sunday, September 29**, from 12 to 4 p.m. She will expect to see you if you're an out-of-state resident or a Minnesotan with questions.

* **License Fees:** Deposits on '97 craft license fees or prepayment of the entire fee will be taken at Gate B on Saturday and Sunday. Deana will be on hand to issue receipts and answer questions from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days. Deposits are due by October 11 and may be made by mail or at the office after the show closes. However, the office will be closed on Friday, October 4.

* **Booth Clean-up:** Food, paper and most other kinds of refuse and leftovers draw varmints. Clean in and around your booth before locking up. Proper disposal of unwanted materials is your responsibility. There may be a few unhappy animals, but the staff will appreciate your help.



Keep your photo IDs or other validated daily pass with you whenever you are on site. Safety Services performs the extremely important function of guarding the welfare of each and every one of us. Your pass is their assurance that you "belong." If you are asked for your pass, show it proudly! Safety Services is on duty before, after and during show hours.



From The Hall of Masters

Please note: **THIS IS** the weekend for nominees to display in the hall. If you haven't yet brought your work to the hall, **please** bring it **now**!

We made the move to the 6th weekend for nominees in order to reduce the crowding on the 7th weekend and allow for a better display of nominees' work. If you are a nominee who is also an artisan, you will be able to show again on the 7th weekend.

There are some wonderful pieces on display, so we hope you will take a few moments out of your day to stop in and view the special work of the nominees, not to mention the Musical Instruments; Toys; and Fiber entries.

Dennis Blankenhiem (The Bronze Jewelers, #435) holds this year's record for exhibit participation. He has brought in pieces fitting with the theme of every weekend except the first. Huzzah for his creativity!



Thanks

From: Lois Hendries,
Craft Administrator,
Monitors Jodie Belnap,
Kathryn Maguet and
Trisha McKenney

This is a big thank you to all of you for your smiles, your chit-chat, your input on serious issues, and even your frowns. The weather cooperated well most of the time, and, for the most part, we all managed to ignore the few times it was less than ideal.

We've enjoyed meeting and getting to know some of you for the first time. And it's always a pleasure to renew the acquaintance of old friends and get to know them better. We'll miss those of you who have decided to concentrate on other pursuits at this time of the year.

The 1996 Festival will go down as another successful year due to the efforts of all who participate. Huzzah to all of you, and warm thoughts until we see you again.

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Hall of Masters

We extend a huge heartfelt **Huzzah!** to all of the talented artists who participated in the 1996 Hall of masters exhibits!! It has been a pleasure meeting you, displaying your work and discussing it with patrons. Our purpose at the Hall has been to serve as a gallery and promotional tool for the fine craft work available here at the Festival. We're glad to have heard from many of you that the long trek to the Hall proved worthwhile through additional sales.

This week's exhibit features the Festival's Artisans and Master Craftspeople. Please try to find a few moments to stop by to enjoy, admire and be inspired by their many talents.

We wish you all a safe journey and much success 'til we see you again next year.

Alicia Wold
Brent Wold
Stanley Oslund



Breakfast at Bad Manor

You and your friends are invited to breakfast at Bad Manor. The Feast Chef and his helpers will prepare a variety of delicacies, including scrambled eggs, sausage, french toast, mini-muffins, oatmeal, cold cereal, orange juice, grapefruit juice and coffee. Start the day with nourishment and a few minutes with friends, before we officially start the day.

Bad Manor - 7 AM - 8:30 AM
\$2.00 will cover the meal!

Weekly Entertainment Epistle

Nominees for the coveted Entertainment Awards this year include the following candidates. Area Managers and Group Liaisons select these individuals from a wide field of talented, creative individuals who have graced our village over the past six weekends of merriment. They are:

Everyone's a Ham

(Best Entertainment by a Non-Entertainer):

Larry Hop of Royal Candles
Caricaturist Bill Luse
Steve Moffit of the Fencing Booth
Kris Victor of Fellowship Foundry

Bottomless Hat (Best New Act):

Cailin Ghrian (Jessica Edmunds, Kellie Hultgren)
Centre for Endangered Cats
Chantresses Four (Annie Baril, Miriam Beugen, Kristin Santele, Jessica Timman)
Jade (Anita Kelling)
Pyramus & Thisbee (Mayor's Entourage)
Milkmaids (Cynthia Ahlquist, Jill Bigelow, Windy Merrill, Amy Spears)
Rustic (Corvus Elrod, Dylan Hatch)
Storyteller (Steven West)
Three Guys Named Ed (Kris Anderson, Jamin Schmitt, Lucas Schmitt, Simon Schmitt, Daniel Schultz)

Cracked Cup (Rookie of the Year):

Kitiara - Kelly Boner
Father Luciano Paparazzi - Clark Duhrkopf
Enoch - James Eubanks
Wilsome Daff MacLeod - Dan Hasselius
Sir Booty - Nathaniel Jacobson
Luceia Honeycrunch - April S. Wilson

Late Bloomer (Most Improved Veteran):

Scandelisa Newshound - Katariea Forcier
Jot - Richard Mellen
Mirah Mirra - Tonia Miller
Protagonist Nobility - Tim Ruack
Rathbone Stewart - Keith Spears

Thanks everybody, it's been a year. Take care and maybe we'll see each other some time.

Thom & Sandy

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F.Y.I.: FUTURE FESTIVAL DATES

	1997	1998	1999
August	16	15	14
	17	16	15
	23	22	21
	24	23	22
	30	29	28
	31	30	29
September:	1	5	4
	6	6	5
	7	7	6
	13	12	11
	14	13	12
	20	19	17
	21	20	18
	27	26	24
	28	27	25

PARTICIPANT NEEDS FOR A SAFER & HEALTHIER FESTIVAL

1. Drink plenty of fluids -- WATER.
2. Eat regular meals.
3. Rest periodically.
4. Wear sunscreen.
5. Dress appropriately for weather conditions.
6. Wear shoes.
7. Know the signs of heat exhaustion: weakness, fatigue, fainting, nausea and/or vomiting. Skin is usually pale, cool and moist. Cramping of muscles, abdomen, arms or legs may occur.
8. Bring allergy medication.
9. Notify Safety Services if you have any serious medical conditions.
10. Carry a bee sting kit if you are allergic to bees.

HAVE A FUN AND SAFE FESTIVAL !!!

Return your IDs, keys and costumes!

Independent Food Vendors - All keys and photo IDs must be returned to Norma by Friday, October 4, 1996. You may mail in IDs but must bring in your keys. Any keys or photos not returned will be charged to you and reflected on your end-of-year settlement.

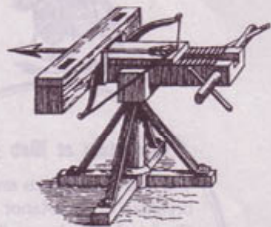
Games/Rides - All IDs and keys must be turned into Dave Albright the last night of the show.

Safety Services - All keys and photo IDs must be turned into Norma by Friday, October 4, 1996.

CKC Employees - Pick up instructions Saturday morning at CKC Check-in.

Entertainment - All IDs must be handed in to receive your final check. Group leaders, street liaisons and stage managers will have checks and will relinquish them when IDs have been received. Stage acts can pick up their checks in the Entertainment office Sunday after 5 p.m. All keys must be returned with IDs.

Crafts - Please turn in photo IDs at the end of the show, if possible. You may mail them to Lois at the office.



Costume Shoppe Hours

Monday and Wednesday

7 am - 3:30 pm

Friday

7 am - 6 pm

FolkFest

7 am - 8:30 pm

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Office Fax	445-7380
Shop Phone	496-9232
Shop Fax	445-3120
Site Office	445-2753 X 119
Costume Shop	X 102
B-Gate	X 103

SITE HOURS FOR SHOW DAYS

Outer Gates

Friday, Saturday, Sunday - locked at
exactly 10:30 P.M. (with exception
below):

Back Gate, 7 am - 2 pm
on Monday
(Security guard on duty)

Inner Gates

A & B gates - 7 am- 10:30 P.M.
C Gate only - 7 am - Midnight

Interior Drive-in Gates

Open 6:30 am - 8:00 am
AND

7:30 pm - 8:30 pm show days

Campground closes October 3

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

We hope that serious emergencies don't arise, but if they do, we all need to know what to do. Here are some guidelines to cover situations that arise:

In the event of a life-threatening situation:

1. Call 911 from a pay phone.
No coin needed.
2. Wait at the phone for
police to arrive.
3. Contact Safety Services.
During evenings, BLT
& Campground have
radios which can
contact Safety Services.


If a problem occurs during the show, contact Safety Services. They are the folks in the red and yellow costumes carrying a large pole topped with a flag. They have radio contact with paramedics and police and can also assist you with less serious problems. They are headquartered out of the building that is attached to the First Aid Station.

In the event that a major disaster occurs, we may need to evacuate the site. You will need to help direct people to the nearest way out. Safety Services will be directing and coordinating crowd control. Please assist them if called upon.


Thank you to the Parking Crew

A "thank you" must be said for the all-patient members of the Parking Crew who have suffered long hours, bad weather, curses, runover kneecaps and many other incidents in the line of duty. These were met with cheerful responses. Although it seems like their jobs were unappreciated, we all know that we could not have made it through the Festival so smoothly if they had not been there.

Thank you, again!

And did anyone notice Rock's 

Chaska Community Center

Effective through October 31, all Renaissance employees and participants that present a validated photo ID will be admitted to the Chaska Community Center at the rate normally charged to Chaska residents. The center is equipped with a work-out area, swimming pool, basketball and volleyball gyms and locker rooms. Take a break from the daily routine and discover what is offered at the facility. Call  for information and times.

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CRAFT SHOPS FOR SALE

- Shop #135-136 Near Legend Stage. Call Roxann Sorenson, [REDACTED]
- Shop #221 Corner, front gate location. See Todd Anderson in shop or call [REDACTED]
- Shop #227 Great location; spacious with high ceiling and lots of light. See Rick Mittelstadt in shop or call him at [REDACTED]
- Shop #330-331 Dragonspawn Craithall. 30' frontage, 600 sq. ft. sales space with large back room and storage spaces. Wired for electric. Very solidly built. Ask for Dan or James in the shop.
- Shop #426 High traffic Narrows location. See Joy Badders in shop.
- Shop #450 Good Narrows location. Jody Tonn, owner. See Andie Russell in Shop #653 for current information
- Shop #506 Contact Marcia Eide at the shop during show or call day; [REDACTED] evening; [REDACTED]
- Shop #519 Near Witchwood Stage. French doors, open design. Contact Lee or Dan Ross at shop or call [REDACTED]
- Shop #642 15.5' frontage, has new roof and skylight. Contact Joan Dunbar at [REDACTED] day; [REDACTED] evening.
- Shop #724 Good Narrows location. Contact Alice Krantz at [REDACTED] or see Elizabeth Nistler in shop.
- Shop #732 Excellent Location near Bad Manor; steel roof. Contact James Geerdes in shop or at [REDACTED]
- Shop #842-843 300 sq.ft./150 sq.ft.loft/code stairs/conduit electrical/award winning shop/ optional sales desk and leaded bay windows/back door vehicle access. Best offer. Contact Bruce Loeschen at shop or at [REDACTED]



Thank you to CKC Employees



Well, here we are, the end of another Festival year. My gosh, it has flown by! As supervisors and workers, new and old, you've pulled together as a real team to help make '96 one of the best years ever. You visited with old friends and hopefully found some new. As changes were made, with opened minds, you handled them with ease.

Through warm and cold days, smiles still prevailed -- and through it all, you've hung on to the end. For all of this, and more, I want to express my heartfelt thanks and appreciation. I look forward with anticipation to the 1997 Festival and the opportunity to work with all of you again.

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Lookie, lookie!
A whole page
of coupons!!
Enjoy!!

Coupon

Queen Natasha's Pies
in the
Ups & Downs

50¢ off
Mini-Chocolate Chip Cookies

(no other food coupons accepted with this offer)

Coupon

Ribs & Beans
in the
Ups & Downs

50¢ off
any item in booth

(no other food coupons accepted with this offer)

Coupon

Shaved Ice
in the
Ups & Downs

50¢ off
any item in booth

(no other food coupons accepted with this offer)

Coupon

Potato Skins in the Oven Hill Market
&
King's Appetizers in the Ups & Downs

50¢ off
any item in these booths

(no other food coupons accepted with this offer)

Coupon

Elephant Ears & Funnel Cakes
in the Tree Top
&
in the Narrows

50¢ off
any item in these booths

(no other food coupons accepted with this offer)

Coupon

Pita Pocket
in the
Ups & Downs

50¢ off
any item in booth

(no other food coupons accepted with this offer)

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Fare-Thee-Well and God Speed!

The last weekend has arrived and we find ourselves reflecting on the many experiences of this season's show ... we hope that it has been successful for all of you.

... so let's take a brief break to recuperate but not to rest on our laurels, for we clearly recall all the time required to be ready again in what seems the blink of an eye for the '97 season.

We thank you all for your participation and wish you a safe and prosperous year. We eagerly look forward to the next call of the Renaissance and working with you again.

God Save
the
King and Queen!

