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Privy Counsellor

Weekend 2: August 21 & 22, 1999

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Mighty Irish

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GUINNESS BEER TASTINGS - Guinness will host free tastings at the Special Events Pavilion at 12:30, 2:30 and 4:30, Saturday and Sunday. Sample Guinness brands and learn the history behind Irish ale. Seating begins 15 minutes prior, space is limited and a picture ID is required.

BALLINA IRISH COTTAGE - Come in and experience daily life with the Muldoon family. Listen to music and stories, learn an Irish dance and a phrase or two of Gaelic.

SCOIL-NE-TRE - Kick up your heels to traditional Irish Music and Dance with Scoil-Ne-Tre at the Special Events Pavilion at 11:00, 1:00 and 3:30.

ALFY THE CHILDSPELLER - Alfred Wolfram, the World's Greatest Kisser, who broke his own Guinness World Record last season by kissing 11,030 patrons in 8 hours, roams the Village each day. Prepare to pucker up!

NORTHERN LIGHTS GREYHOUND ADOPTION

- The Northern Lights Greyhounds is a non-profit group of volunteers dedicated to finding responsible homes for retired racing Greyhounds and educating the public about Greyhounds as pets.



SCAVENGER HUNTS - A "Dig-it Up" Hunt will be in the Children's Realm at 11:00 and 3:00 for lads and lassies 12 and under. Adults can pick up their instructions beginning at 10:00 behind the Special Events Pavilion and prizes will be awarded at 5:30.

RENAISSANCE DATING GAME - Let the Renaissance Matchmakers set you up for the date of a lifetime. You'll never believe the 15th-century pick up lines and antics. Watch the dating spectacular at 11:30 in the Special Events Pavilion.

LIVING HISTORY TOURS - Take a free guided tour with your very own village tour guide and learn the best kept secrets of the Realm. Tours are approximately 45 minutes long and begin at 9:30, 10:30, 11:30, 12:30, and 2:00. Meet at the information booth, near Bad Manor.

HOT POTATO TOSS - Children can meet at the entrance to the Children's Realm to compete in a Hot Potato Toss at 1:00.



Whooh!

NICE RECOVERY...

Last minute circumstances prevented Shakopee's Mayor, Jon Brekki, from attending the ribbon cutting ceremony. However, King Henry, Queen Anne, the Royal Court and Robert Schug made a fantastic production of the special occasion! Thanks for your help with such little notice. A special thanks to Robert Schug, for presenting the ribbon; King Henry, for cutting the ribbon and all the other entertainers who gathered around to officially open the new area! This formality of good faith was shown to all, as WCCO TV captured the excitement of the ceremony. What a wonderful gesture to celebrate the restoration of our magical Realm!



Got Something to Say?

Bursting to tell us your good news about awards, grants, special commissions etc.? Divine inspiration has led you to write the world's greatest poem? Think your powers of observation have revealed to you a character, craft, or Festival feature that you believe we have not recognized? Well, take pen to paper (pencil, keyboard, crayon, your choice) and submit your efforts to Kari Kiel at the Mid-America Festivals office. Contributions that are picked for publication will receive a Renaissance Festival food book, so include your name and participant area.

Heartfelt Thanks to Special People

To all the M.A.F. Staff,

We just wanted you to know that all of your extra work and effort in our rebuilding process is appreciated. Once again we will bloom where we were planted!

Thank you for your fund raising efforts and your generous contributions and dedication!

Sincerely,

Teresa & Larry Hodgton

Shop 820, Glass Works by Crystal Visions

To Everyone at Mid-America that helped raise funds for the people with burned buildings,

A BIG THANK YOU!

We appreciate it very much.

Viren and Roxanne Brawn and family

THANKS!

"I would like to thank John Hurd and his construction crew for the exceptional effort to get my booth finished by opening weekend. If anyone is looking for a great crew to construct a shop, I positively recommend them. Stop by and check my Shop #822."

Joe Leach

Dunhanrach Pottery

To All Who Contributed to the Fire Victim Fund,

I thank all of you so much for your hard work through fund raising and contributions.

When I received the check I was nearly speechless. This effort of sharing only confirms the care of the Renaissance family. The Festival has always been there for me through good times and bad.

The losses of the fire have renewed vows of commitment to friends and neighbors of the Festival that care and love outweigh the material matter that perished in the flames.

Sincerely,

Alyson Nagel

Shop 828

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Any Questions?

Thanks to Chaska Civic Theater!

What stage does Barf & Gag play on?" Can you tell me where Belch & Fart are?"

Well, if you are a Chaska Civic Theater member, working in the Information Booth, then you smile politely and answer that "Puke & Snot" perform on the Legend Stage. Then later add the query to the list of funniest questions of the day.

The Chaska Civic Theater is in its 20th season of participation at the Renaissance Festival, but they used to provide a different service. For the first five years, the group staffed the Dueling Buckets game with the Jonathon Association. Kathy Horsfall, whose participation has spanned the 20 seasons, remembers the move to the Information Booth, "One day we decided we were too old, too wet and too sick" to be working the game. Their criteria for a new job were stringent. "Do we get a roof?" they asked.

Before settling in the current location, they provided Information from another location, and also worked in a Travelers Shoppe. They have been in the current location for ten years.



Approximately 35 active members participate in the Festival each year, including ten members who have been there since the beginning. Horsfall remembers some workers sitting in the booth one day and realizing that they had 120 combined years at the Renaissance Festival!

Each worker volunteers their time and the Festival pays the group. It is the only fund-raiser to supplement ticket sales throughout the year. The organization provides a scholarship each year to a local high school senior who is involved in theater.

The staff, although outwardly patient, is frustrated by vague questions, especially those that begin, "I was here six years ago, the guy had cool mugs, he drove a station wagon..."? How about, "Have you seen my brother?" Opening weekend this year brought, "I'm supposed to meet someone at Awful House?" That's Bad Manor to you!

The Chaska Civic Theater usually performs two plays each year, focusing on smaller ensemble productions with a cast of ten or less. Having lost their theater in a fire, they struggled to stay together and eventually settled in the Chaska Community Center.

If you are interested in next spring's production of "La Cage Aux Folles" or future productions, please contact President JoAnn Schindler at (612) 448-1847. And if you have any Festival-related questions, you know where to go...



Hall of Masters

HALL OF MASTERS

Huzzah to one and all for the successful completion of our first weekend of the 1999 season!

The Hall was beautiful this weekend. Please stop by to visit and review the crafters eligible for nomination to higher status in the Masters Program! We have done some decorating and are very proud of our festive look. Crafters may be seeing something new, a "Referral" card from the Hall of Masters. We tell so many patrons where to find you, that this year we have a card to give them showing your name and shop number to help them. Please let us know if you are being found!!



THE RENAISSANCE COLLECTION

Folkestone Hall, home of the Renaissance Collection, is full of wonderful treasures. Last weekend pieces from two new Masters were added: **Jim Vojacek, Oulu Glass**, with a beautiful blown glass bowl; and **Doug and Colleen Kraatz, Glass Images**, with a commissioned stained glass window featuring our Unicorn logo. Be sure to put it on your Festival list of "must see."

Hall of Masters Exhibit Schedule

Aug. 21-22

Special Event: MIGHTY IRISH

Featured Media: Metals; Apparel; Fiber; Caricatures & Portraits; Ornamental; Leather

Aug. 28-29

Special Event: DISCOVER THE MAGIC

Featured Media: Toys; Calligraphy & Paper; Pottery; Wood; Furniture; Sculpture

Sept. 4-5-6

Special Event: ROYAL ALE FESTIVAL

Featured Media: Astrology; Jewelry; Paintings, Prints & Wallhangings; Plants, Perfume & Potpourri; Candles; Glass; Musical Instruments

Sept. 11-12

Special Event: HIGHLAND FLING

Featured Media: Metals; Apparel; Fiber; Caricatures & Portraits; Ornamental; Leather

Sept. 18-19

Special Event: WINE & ROMANCE

Featured Media: Toys; Calligraphy & Paper; Pottery; Wood; Furniture; Sculpture

*Nominees to the Masters Program (see below)

Sept. 25-26

Special Event: DANCE WITH THE DRAGON

Special Focus: Masters and Artisans of the Masters Program



MASTERS PROGRAM

The Masters Program continues to provide a forum for the exchange of ideas and to recognize and reward excellent work. Participation in the Masters Program is voluntary and occurs through a nomination and balloting process. The Hall of Masters is reserved for use by the Masters Program on the weekend of the season.

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Royalty Visits Merchants

King Henry, Queen Anne and their Royal Court will be traveling around the Realm, visiting shops periodically throughout the day. We try to visit as many shops as possible, but we'd like to make sure that we visit all the shops that want us to stop by. So, we'd like to hear from you.

If you would like us to make an 'official' visit to your shop, please inform your monitors and the message will be relayed via Dara at Monitor meetings. We will be happy to make a 'Royal Visit' to your shop!

Thank you.

ANNIVERSARY TIME

Each year the Festival honors participants who are celebrating 10, 15, 20 and 25 years of continuous participation. You could have started in one area and moved through several others before being where you are this year. Please drop a written statement at B Gate listing your name, present area of participation, first year of show and the dates and areas where you have previously worked. If you have questions, stop at Gate B or ask your Department Head. We'd hate to miss out on adding you to our list of honorees just because we didn't have the information!

NEED AN INSTRUMENT?

8 Old German Violins
ready to play, including: complete outfits,
case, bow and new strings!

Price \$125 to \$250

CALL: Dave Olson @ [REDACTED]

*also available: mandolins & guitars

Many of our participants are new to the area or are only here because of the Festival. Some of you are here between the weeks and want to know what else their is to do in the area. Below is a list that was published recently in Midwest Highways & Byways.

TEN THINGS TO EXPERIENCE THE REAL SHAKOPEE

Midwest Highways & Byways
Summer 1999

1. Sand Bottom Pool at Lion's Park.
2. Wampach's Restaurant for hand-dipped onion rings.
3. Shakopee Coyotes baseball games at Tahpah Park.
4. Hiking and biking trails. Take a hike in the woods and wetlands at Louisville Swamp and Wikie areas in the Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge. Hike or bike on the Minnesota Valley State Trail.
5. ValleyFair. Ride one of five rollercoasters.
6. Shakopee Trading Post for Native American craft pieces, Navajo rugs or handmade silver jewelry.
7. MINNESOTA RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL
8. Stans Museum, a collection of Maurice Stans travels to 19 countries including Africa.
9. Dangerfields Restaurant that overlooks the quiet backwaters of the Minnesota River.
10. Downtown Shops. Visit historic downtown to shop and visit with shopkeepers.

Other Local Attractions & Activities

Murphy's Landing	OK Corral
ValleyFair	Emma Krumbie's
Canterbury Park	Sponser's MN
Harvest Apple Orchard	Mystic Lake Casino
Minnesota Zoo	Mall of America
Chanhasen Dinner Theatres	Raceway Park
Minnesota Landscape Arboretum	

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YOUR FLOWERS ARE THIRSTY!??

Due to heavy construction and landscaping needs in the Cartwheel Cove area, the site crew is stretched to the limit. Hence, we remind you of a woman (Mary) who loves flowers as if they were children. We introduced her to you last season:

- * Fabulous Flowers for the Festival.
- * Custom designed flowers for your booth, delivered and planted.
- * Watering/fertilizing twice weekly.
- * Picked up and disposed of at the close of Festival.
- * One fee for the season based on what you need.

GARDENS GALORE (612)370-7963 Mary

MISSING SOMETHING!!!!



There were quite a few crafters who forgot or ran out of time to pick up their pieces on Sunday night. Please come by **after 2:00 on Saturday** to retrieve them! (You could do it on your way "home" after the Parade.)

Best regards to all from Lord Blaine and Lady Kate.

INSURANCE NOTE

A sincere and hearty thank-you to all who contributed time, money and products to the fundraisers held in support of the craftspeople who were victims of the arsonist last February. Reconstruction has been a massive endeavor, spearheaded by the craftspeople who are rebuilding, and encouraged and helped by numerous volunteers.

Insurance has been high on the list of concerns of all participants. Acordia, the Festival's insurance carrier, has now found a way to insure buildings on the Festival site. We understand it is not possible to issue blanket coverage at a set price, as with liability insurance. However, if you are interested, please contact:

Bill Velin, Acordia of Minnesota
612-830-3039.

Bill will be happy to discuss your specific needs and give you information on available coverage.



Campground Office Hours

The Campground Office is open for mail and UPS pick-up the following hours:

MONDAY-THURSDAY

8:00 a.m. to 12 noon

7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

FRIDAY

8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

5:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, SUNDAY AND LABOR DAY

MONDAY

7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

And, of course, 24 hours a day in case of



GREETINGS FROM THE INN

Once again, welcome to Boarshead Inn! It will be open with proprietor **Brent Wold**, blacksmith, his lovely wife, **Alicia** and his two fun but questionable children, **Abigail** and **Ananda**. This year we are planning many new and interesting demonstrations and we hope you'll come down and visit us. Our goal this year is to try to have twice as many patrons as entertainers. So send them on down, please!

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FROM THE GOSTUME SHOP



ADVICE FROM THE CLOTHING QUEENS

As if making a costume isn't hard enough, wearing them can sometimes be worse. Costumes are often too hot, or not warm enough and they don't usually come with pockets! They get torn-out, rained-on and generally beat-up! So, we at the Costume Shop have put together some helpful hints for common costuming "issues" that might make life a little easier:

Hot Day Advice:

- ☐ Put some ice cubes into your hat so that they will melt down the back of your neck.
- ☐ Wet down a headscarf with cold water and wrap it around your head.
- ☐ If you don't like to get wet, you can buy cold-packs for coolers, freeze them before coming out and keep them cold in a cooler. You can tuck these into hats, bodices, tights or shirts.
- ☐ Wear the lightest color you have.

Cold Day Advice:

- ☐ You can cut an old long-underwear shirt to follow the neckline of your costume.
- ☐ Buy 1 1/4 yard of solid-colored fleece and fold it in half diagonally. This can be wrapped around your neck and pinned from underneath.
- ☐ Leggings/long-johns can be worn under pants and skirts or you can double-up your tights.

Wet Day Advice:

- ☐ To keep your feet dry in boots, put baggies on over your socks, use a rubber band to hold them and then put on your boots. (this obviously won't work with sandals)
- ☐ Stitch in a layer of nylon or other water-proof fabric between the outside layer and lining of a cloak.
- ☐ You can also spray your cloak with Scotch Guard (tm) and let it air-dry overnight.

The Wonder of Safety Pins

- ☐ Your watch, car key or pass can be pinned to the inside of an apron, overskirt or vest for easy access.
- ☐ If a skirt-hook falls off, pin a safety pin vertically to the inside of your waistband so approximately 1/2" shows through the outside; you can then hook onto that.
- ☐ To keep drawstrings from slipping out during the wash, pin the ends together with at least 2" of extra left hanging.

Other Little Tips:

- ☐ Put a little super-glue around the outside edge of metal eyelets on bodices, boots, etc. and they won't pull-out easily. (Thanks Joanne!)
- ☐ Any leaks in a metal mug with a glass/plastic bottom can be repaired by putting Silicone gel around the seam on the bottom. (ON THE OUTSIDE!)
- ☐ Men with knee breeches who don't want to wear full tights can pick up a pair of women's trouser socks to give the illusion of tights.

Most of the old-timers out there are probably all thinking, "Well... Duhi!" to many of these hints. Since I know many of you all have discovered other clever solutions to costume problems, we invite participants to stop by and give us some of your ideas. We will keep printing them in the upcoming issues of the Councilor, so be sure to include your name, so we can give you credit for your hint!

If you have any questions or just want to stop by and shoot the breeze, come on over or call. The number is 445-2753 x102.

See Ya Out There!!! Dana

Courtesy Of
Costume Shoppe Hours

Monday and Friday

8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Tuesday - Thursday

8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Weekends

7 a.m. - 1 p.m. and 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

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Fencing????

ANNOUNCING

The 8th Annual

Lord High Sheriff Balloon Fencing Tournament!

Labor Day Weekend
at the Fencing Booth

Presented by the
University of Minnesota Fencing Club

The Squires' event will be hosted on Saturday, September 4th, 1999. This event is for novice balloon fencers. Close of Registration is Sept. 4th at 6:30 p.m. The Knights' event will be hosted on Sunday, September 5th, 1999. This event is for more experienced balloon fencers. Any fencer who has won this event twice is excluded from further competitions. Close of Registration is Sept. 5th at 6:30 p.m. The following prizes will be awarded for Knights' event!

- 1st place prize is a competition-quality saber.
- 2nd place prize is a mug, donated by the Gnome Wizard
- 3rd place prize is a wax sculpture, donated by Wizard Wax Works.

Thanks for your donations! Please stop by and visit their shops!

All potential competitors are invited to visit the Fencing Booth. If you would like to register for the event, please see Melissa Iverson, Cliff Iverson or Beth Dibble at the Fencing Booth. Entry Fee is \$3.00/event. Minimum age is 16.

Festival employees from ALL areas of participation are invited to compete. We also encourage everyone to come watch the fun!

Marketing Creative Quote of the Week . . .



"The only difference between a weed and a flower is judgment."

-Anonymous

Suggestion: Think of some qualities about yourself that you see as weeds but others have complimented you on and therefore see as flowers. Let them bloom.



I Love a Parade

Thank you to all participants of the pre-season parades, promotions and secondary events. The time commitment truly is appreciated and without you the pre-season events would not have been a great success!

We would like to extend a special thanks to the following participants that attended numerous events:

Mary Rohe
Aaron Propes
Marianne Lerbs
Stephen Miller

Terry Wessling
Corey Lerbs
Bruce Eytan

For those who did not have an opportunity to collect their hard earned comps and food books last weekend at the Wedding Tent, you will be able to pick them up at Will Call under your name unless other arrangements have been made. To make other arrangements, please contact Michelle Nauertz at (612) 445-7361.

Thanks

Michelle N., Christine, Viki, Michelle F., Karen
The Marketing Department

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Uncle Jane's Attention- Getting Device



1. **Paychecks for Entertainers on the three day plan** will be ready for pickup from 8:30 to 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. on Sunday, August 22nd in the Entertainment Lounge on the second floor of Bad Manor. Unclaimed checks are mailed out on Monday. **NEXT PAY-DATES:** Monday, September 6 and Sunday, September 26 (final.) Same bat-time, same bat-station.
2. **Where can I get an I.D.?** Why do you not have one yet, if I dare ask? No matter your answer, one can still have an I.D. photo taken between 2 and 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at B Gate.
3. **Where can I pick up my I.D?** B Gate.
4. **A Special Request:** As we look ahead to next weekend. I'd like to ask all Entertainers to wear masks of some kind to emphasize the theme of "Magic and Fantasy." Many of us, Uncle Jane included, own masks of some kind or another. Pamela and Dara are an endless source of ideas for using found materials to make masks and the Entertainment Department will provide a limited number of plain, paper party masks to get you started. Imagine, if you were a patron greeted by a sea of Villagers disguised Eu Masquerie. That will be mighty magical!
5. **It should always be Fun!!!**

Upcoming Promotions...

WANTED...

Incredibly enthusiastic and talented entertainers...that means YOU!

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event/Location</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u># of Entertainers</u>
Aug. 26	Banana Joes, Mpls, 5th St.	4-7pm	4
Sept. 3	Opening Night, Village Fable Goldberg Children's Theater Jugglers, musicians, street characters etc.	6:30-7:30	6

Please contact Michelle Nauertz at (612) 445-7361 to sign up for the promotions or with any questions

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UNCLE BONES WANTS

YOU

.. FOR THE 1999 TRAIL OF

TERROR SHOW....

NIGHTY NIGHTMARES

Dates are Oct. 14,15,16

Oct. 21,22,23

Oct. 28,29,30

and Oct. 31st.

Times are 7 pm-Midnight (5 hours)

Prep time for Costume/Makeup

is 5:30-6:40 pm

Cast Call each date is 6:40 pm

Rehearsal times to be announced

Pay ranges from \$7.00- \$10.00/hr.

All hay ride participants earn \$10.00/hr.

HIRING MEETING IS AUGUST 31 ST,

AT 7PM, IN SUITE 306 OF

THE PARK INN & SUITES

ON CANTERBURY RD.

AND HIGHWAY 169

COME PLAY WITH US!!

"Village Gossip"

The Lord High Sheriff has issued a Decree of Watch on the Irish.

There is proof that gold has been smuggled to the Cottage and hidden there, stands ready for the procurement of weapons. There is also word that bribes would be offered to officials in exchange for the free passage of rabble-rousers of the Irish ilk.



Up the Rebels!

Red wine with fish!!!

(This fyne idea comes courtesy of Laura Lochen, who while visiting the Georgia Faire overheard entertainers chatting in character about the "Village Gossip of the Day". This is a fun way to pass the time while dining near patrons, or as a great opening conversation line in the lanes, food lines, etc. Please give it a try!)

Entertainment Announcements

CONGRATULATIONS
to

Judy Mathies
awarded a D.F.M. for
"Outstanding
Fraudulent Behavior"
on August 14, 1999

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OH BEHAVE!(or don't)

AT THE

SHAGADELIC FORMAL

A Funky Formal With That

"AUSTIN POWERS" LOOK

Saturday, August 28th

9:00 p.m. to Midnight

FEATURING: SOUL FARM *Large Courtesy*

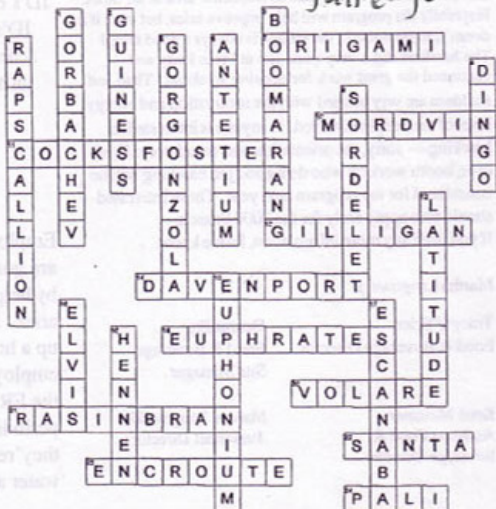
at the LEGEND STAGE

Our special THANKS to Sharon Crystal, Frank Lewanowski,
and the staff of Safety Services for pulling together Great Parties



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solutions to last week's puzzle





GREETING FROM CASTLE KITCHENS!

A special welcome to Martha Langowski, who joined us this year as Personnel Director and was merely mentioned in last week's privy. Following is some important information she'd like to share . . .

CKC Hawking Program:

Hawkers have always been a part of the Festival, vocally advertising products through catchy slogans, stunts and obnoxious behavior. In the past, the program has not been a very valuable one. There was little or no administration or training and by the middle of the day, many hawkers had mysteriously disappeared.

This year the program has been considerably beefed up! I have hired 18-20 hawkers (past years had only 12) and some neat training and retention programs were instituted. Thad Erickson and Kathleen Kane, from the stocks have been running the program with the help of John Garcia, a hawker from 1998. They had an intensive two-day training session on August 7- 8 and have worked out a schedule so that each hawker is assigned to a specific area at all times. Hopefully the program will help improve sales, but even if it doesn't, more noise in the village is always a good thing! The hawkers did a very good job at Press Party and continued the great work for opening weekend. Thad and Kathleen are very pleased with the motivation and energy level of the people involved. If anyone is interested in hawking — sorry, the orientation was mandatory. However, booth workers who do a good job hawking will be considered for the program next year. Those interested should also apply early for the 2000 Season.

If you need any more information, let me know.

Martha Langowski

Tracy O'Brien
Food & Beverage Director

Kerri Meissner
Assistant Food &
Beverage Director

Dennis Erp
Food & Beverage
Site Manager

Martha Langowski
Personnel Director



NEED EXTRA CASH?

Help Wanted!

We always need help. Remind people that we will give them a \$25 bonus for each person that they refer to us as an employee who works at least 11 of the 15 Festival days. The only catch is that the new employee needs to make sure to write down the name of the person who referred him or her.

Do You Have Your ID?

Photo ID's for CKC Workers:

Many of the CKC workers do not have a new ID. Check with Pam Morgan to see what the schedule is and when they'll be taking photo ID's on site. All CKC workers **NEED** to have ID's and if they are not done on site at the scheduled times during Festival, individuals must come to our corporate office at 1244 South Canterbury Rd., Suite 306.

ERC

New Position This Year!

Employee Relations Coordinator. These folks are going to support the personnel department by helping out with whatever issues might arise. For example, payroll problems can take up a huge amount of my time. Therefore, employees with these problems should go to the ERC. The ERC will also be speaking in periodically with employees to make sure they're getting their breaks, drinking enough water and all of that.

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Lend a Helping Hand Valient Volunteers!

There are two separate volunteer programs that are open to any civic organization. One is known as the 15-day program under which groups contract to run a booth for the entire festival. Their organization is then paid a percentage of profits. We have about seven organizations that are operating under this program. Kidtracks is one that we have been working with for several years, and Tom Fish is in charge of that program.

The other volunteer program is much less of a commitment. The one day program allows groups to come in for a few hours on whatever days they like. e. Rather

NEWS FROM THE SALES DEPARTMENT

Free Tickets?

There are several ways to earn complimentary Renaissance Festival tickets. Our Sales Department is always looking for new corporate accounts to offer consignment tickets. If you know of, or work for, a company that would like to offer discount tickets to employees, please call the group sales office at 445-7361. If the company signs up, you receive two tickets! Referring new employees to our personnel department can also earn you free tickets. And during pre-season, the marketing department needs you! For participating in promotions and parades, you will be given tickets. So, choose the best option for you, and invite some friends to the Festival - it's on us!



Cheap Seats

Feast seats are still available!
The participant rate is \$55.
Call and reserve your space today!



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Special Offer for Renaissance Festival Participants!

FREE beverage with order of \$5 up to \$25
(\$1.50 value) Or, **\$5 off** orders of \$25 or more.

Show your Renaissance Festival photo ID card
for discount!

612-448-4530

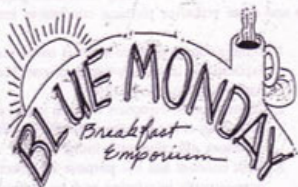


Rise and Shine



Don't miss the Queen's Breakfast with fantastic deals that will energize you, making you look fyner and feel fitter than you've ever been before!
see menu below...

Time: 7 a.m.
When: Monday
Where: Lasagna Booth,
Facing the Jousting Track
In Upson Downs



NO.1 SANDY'S SPECIAL 6.00

TWO CAKES, TWO EGGS, BACON HOME FRIES

NO.2 BACON & EGGS (2) 5.00

HOME FRIES, TEXAS TOAST & COFFEE

NO.3 THREE CAKES OR FRENCH TOAST 4.00

& COFFEE

NO.4 TWO EGGS & HOME FRIES 4.00

W/ TOAST OR 2 MUFFINS & COFFEE

NO.5 SANDY'S BREAKFAST BURRITO 5.00

HOME FRIES, TOAST OR 2 MUFFINS

& COFFEE

~ OMELETTES ~
(3 EGGS)

CHEESE, BACON,
VEGETE, MUSHROOM
W/ HOME FRIES &
TOAST & COFFEE

5.50

~ BEVERAGES ~

COFFEE 1.00
TEA 1.00
CHAI 1.50
MILK 1.00
OT-APPLE 1.00
WATER 1.00

~ ALA CARTE ~

SANDY'S SWEET ROLL 1.00
ENGLISH MUFFIN 1.00
BAGEL 1.00
TEXAS TOAST 1.00
BACON 2.00
EGGS 1.00

BAZAR ~ BAZAR

BRING YOUR TEXAS TOAST, MUFFINS &
GOOD PRATT



Ahhh, Coffee
from Ahh!

Mmmmmmmh... smell the tantalizing aromas
drifting from the Cappuccino Inn...
starting at 7:30 a.m.

WAKE UP AND WELCOME
ROGER AHL,

our proprietor for CAPPUCCINO INN.

Roger continuously spoils us all! Once again, his good-hearted demeanor shines as he shares with us his creative specialty, COFFEE! Whether served in an espresso, cappuccino, cafe latte, cafe mocha, Ye Olde Catapult, Steamer, Cafe L'Amour, Angelina, Flying Nun or just plain black... It's a delicious way to start your morning. But it doesn't stop at sunrise, throughout the day you can also enjoy a cool lift with tone of the favorites, Frozen Princess Mocha... or your choice of a variety of flavored frozen drinks. At Renaissance celebrations from Arizona to North Carolina to Pennsylvania, Roger is renowned for the excellence of his special recipes. We're among the fortunate to be able to offer his House of Ahl talents!

BEFORE - CANNON - PARTICIPANT SPECIAL:
COFFEE OR TEA \$1.00
(BYO cup if you wish)



Courtesy Of

Eat Cheap!

Purchase a book for \$5.00 and get coffee worth \$6.00 of food and delights available at Gate C until 1 p.m., and Gate E all day.

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FUTURE FESTIVAL DATES

	2000	2001	2002
August	12	11	17
	13	12	18
	19	18	24
	20	19	25
	26	25	31
	27	26	1
September	2	1	2
	3	2	7
	4	3	8
	9	8	14
	10	9	15
	16	15	21
	17	16	22
	23	22	28
	24	23	29

Say Cheese....

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, during and after show hours.

Participant Fire Extinguisher Requirements

Susan Bowler, Safety Services Director

All Renaissance Festival booths are required to have a fully charged, 10 lb fire extinguisher with a minimum U.L. rating of 4A 60BC. All fire extinguishers have a rating displayed some place on the label. Beware of fire extinguishers with plastic heads or firing handles on them; i.e. Kidde. Our experience has shown that they tend to leak and are not rechargeable. Consequently, we do not recommend them.

The Renaissance Festival will have some approved fire extinguishers for sale during the second weekend (August 21-22). Conway Fire Extinguisher Company will set up outside Gate C. The price is \$55.00.

We understand that keeping a fully-charged fire extinguisher in your shop is an extra expense, but it is important for your safety, the protection of your property, and to comply with government rules and regulations regarding the operation of a Festival.

HARASS THEE NOT!

It is the policy of this Company that all of our employees should be able to enjoy a work environment free of discrimination and harassment.

This policy refers to, but is not limited to, harassment in the following areas; age, race, color, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, handicap and veteran status. Harassment includes display or circulation of written materials or pictures degrading to either gender or to racial, ethnic or religious groups; and verbal abuse or insults directed at or made in the presence of members of a racial ethnic or minority group.

Sexual harassment is defined as unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, sexually motivated physical contact and other verbal or physical conduct of sexual nature when:

1. Submission to such conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment;
2. Submission or rejection of such conduct by an individual is used as the basis for employment decisions affecting such individual; or
3. Such conduct has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work performance or creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment.

Sexual harassment undermines the employment relationship by creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive work environment and will not be tolerated. Harassment also refers to behavior which is personally offensive, impairs morale and interferes with the work effectiveness of employees. Any harassment of employees by other employees will not be permitted, regardless of their working relationship.

Any employee who wants to report an incident of sexual or other unlawful harassment should promptly report the matter to his or her supervisor. If the supervisor is unavailable or the employee believes it would be inappropriate to contact that person, the employee should immediately contact the General Manager or the President of the corporation. If the complaint is against a manager or the President, it is to be brought to the attention of either the President or the Chief Financial Officer of the corporation. Employees can raise concerns and make reports without fear of reprisal.

The company will in all cases take action to correct any reported harassment to the extent that evidence is available to verify it and any related retaliation and allegations will be investigated. Strict confidentiality is not possible, since the alleged harasser is entitled to know the business, particularly if discipline is a possible outcome, however reasonable efforts will be made to respect the confidentiality of the individuals involved.

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Thirsty...?

Water and ice are available for all entertainers at each stage as well as in the Entertainment Lounge adjacent to the Entertainment Office upstairs in Bad Manor.

Entertainment Breaks

Please do not congregate, smoke cigarettes, break character, etc. in the court yard next to Bad Manor. Come upstairs —there will sometimes be food and it is a smoking area.

Festival Electrical Policy

Renaissance electricity rules:

1. All users need to supply a current MRF Electric application to Jim Batzli, the Renaissance Site Manager.
2. All electrical use and installation must comply with the State of Minnesota electrical requirements. Copies will be available at the Festival office.
3. A \$100 fee is due at the time your application is filed. There is also a \$15 inspection fee.
4. You are required to itemize each electrical item that you will be using.
5. No microwaves or refrigerators.
6. Failure to comply with the rules could result in the loss of electricity.
7. Electricity is on a first-come, first-serve basis.
8. No refunds will be given.

**Please do not
overload cords!**

PLANNING TO STAY OVERNIGHT?

NO camping is permitted in the parking lot or behind shops at the Festival. If you intend to stay overnight, the most logical way is to have obtained a registered space in the campground. A few of the craft shops have been certified for overnight occupancy by the County. Minimum code requirements for structures with sleeping areas are listed below. These requirements must be met, and inspections are required.

1. Sleeping areas must be separated from other occupancies with a minimum 1 hour occupancy separation.
2. Sleeping areas must have at least one operable window or door approved for emergency escape or rescue leading directly to the exterior of the building.
3. Every building shall have at least one exit and shall not be less than 3' in width or 6'-8" in height.
4. There shall be a floor or landing at each side of a door with a minimum dimension of 36" x 36".
5. Sleeping areas must have a min. floor area of 70 sq. ft. and a min. ceiling height of 7'6".
6. A smoke detector shall be installed in each sleeping area and in the hallway that leads to the sleeping area. Smoke detectors shall receive their primary power from the building wiring system and be equipped with a battery backup. Wiring shall be permanent.
7. All electrical work must be approved by the State of Minnesota electrical inspector.
8. A building permit is required for all renovations, alterations, repairs, new construction or a change of use.

NOTE: These are preliminary code requirements and are subject to change.

ATTENTION!! MAIL DELIVERY

When you are having something mailed or sent by UPS to you at the campground, please use the following address:

Minnesota Renaissance Festival
Campground Office
12364 Chestnut Road
Shakopee, MN 55379

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Mid-America Festivals

1244 Canterbury Rd S., Suite 306
Shakopee, MN 55379-8944

Office Phone	445-7361
Office Fax	445-7380
Shop Phone	496-9232
Site Office	445-2753

Costume Shop	ext. 102
B-Gate	ext. 103
First Aid/Safety Service	ext. 101

SITE HOURS FOR SHOW DAYS

Outer Gates

Friday, Saturday, Sunday
locked at exactly 10:30 p.m.
(with exception below):

Back Gate, 7 a.m.-2 a.m. on Monday
(Security guard on duty)

Inner Gates

A & B gates - 7 a.m. - 10:30 p.m.
C Gate only - 7 a.m. - Midnight

Interior Drive-in Gates

Open 6:30 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.
AND

7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Show days
Campground closes October 3

Surfin' the Web?

Check out The Minnesota Renaissance on the world wide web at www.renaissancefest.com for information, photos, games, sounds and more. New features, events and any information you shall need will be continuously updated. Browse through and educate yourself about the fantastic activities that encompass the Realm!

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 that 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 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.



From the Animal Guy, Bob Otto:

On show days all are welcome to come visit and pet appropriate animals. On non-show days please don't feed any animal and never pet or feed the sheep.

If you find an animal somewhere you think it should be, notify me if you can; but please don't chase or move it anywhere, anytime unless it is causing damage. You may escort an animal out of your shop. Thank you for your cooperation.

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ROCK - N - ROLL
RENNAISSANCE ?

Fine Line Music Cafe,
Downtown Minneapolis
is the place to be . . .
MONDAY, AUGUST 30th
8:00 p.m. - Midnight

Support your fellow *Rennies!*



Guinness Record!

LONGEST CONTINUOUS STANDING . . .

The longest period on record that anyone has continuously stood is more than 17 years! When sleeping, he would lean against a plank. He died at age 85 in September 1980.

Swami Maujgiri Maharaj claimed the record after performing the Tapasya, or penance, from 1955 to November 1973 in Shahjahanpur, Uttar Pradesh, India.

So . . . as long as you think you've been standing or as tired as you feel after walking for a few hours on a Festival day . . . think of this fact and be thankful for each moment you do sit!

WORDS OF WISDOM:

"Associate yourself with men of good quality if you esteem your own reputation; for 'tis better to be alone than in bad company."

George Washington

A small illustration of a horse-drawn carriage with a driver and passengers.

Courtesy Of

RENAISSANCE PICK-UP LINE!

"I seem to have lost my sex slave.
May I borrow you for a bit?"

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Dedication and Thank-You Party!

Phoenix Project invites you to join us this Saturday, night for a dedication and thank you party hosted in cooperation with MidAmerica Festivals. We wish to thank all the people who have volunteered for and donated to Phoenix Project and the crafter rebuilding cause. We also wish to invite **EVERYONE** to come down, see the new structures, meet the crafters, and join in the fun.



When: Saturday, 8pm

Where: Cartwheel Cove (the recently rebuilt area)

Who: Any crafter, entertainer, CKC worker, games person, site crew, safety services or other festival participant.

What: Music, munchies, auction, and fun!

Auction will begin at 9:30 p.m. Some munchies will be available, but if you are able to bring a dish to share, please do.

Phoenix Project is a permanent, independent, Twin Cities-based non-profit organization dedicated to helping individuals involved in the arts communities in times of crisis or need. The Phoenix Project involves performers, technicians, artists, crafters and patrons of the arts throughout Minnesota and surrounding communities in committee and volunteer work. As our first project, Phoenix Project established "Operation Crafter Aid" to help the artists affected by the arson at the Minnesota Renaissance Festival. Phoenix Project staged three benefit events, distributed funds to the rebuilding crafters, and helped coordinate volunteers for the rebuilding effort. We continue to accept donations to help the affected crafters repay their building debts and to seek other resources and information to help this artist community in the future.

Many of the faces on the Phoenix Project steering committee may be familiar:

Board of Directors:

Robert Schug, President; *HRH Phluff (street)*

Stephanie Lindorff, Vice-President; *The Mother Superior, (street)*

Angelique Montag, Treasurer; *The German, Malplocke von Drachental (street)*

Tonia Miller, Director of PR; *Mirah the gypsy matchmaker (street) & the Moldavian Contessa (Royal Court)*

Ann Roubik, Secretary, *A patron of the MRF*

Other Steering Committee Members:

Sherry Roth, Volunteer Coordinator; *Rosalily Bud, Guardian of the Mythical Beast (street)*

Mary Rohs; *Rowena "Weenie" the Piper (street)*

Jill Stanton; *The Unicorn/Amnesie (street)*

Kathy Hanson; *Kat in the Hat (crafter)*

Steven Wilson; *HRH Pugh (street)*

Brad Roth; *Vladimir Paradise (the Jaycees)*

Annette Hunt; *Anna Maria Estela Elenore Maria Pariri (Bakery Stage)*

Thank you for your time and commitment, and have a great season!

~ *No Phoenix Project Steering Committee*

Phoenix
Project
A gift of
generosity
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Coming In September:
A swing and ballroom benefit dance and silent auction
Sponsored by Phoenix Project for Operation Crafter Aid
Friday, Sept 10th, from 8 to midnight, at the Chaska American Legion Post 57
Admission: \$5, Cash bar available

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