

Privy Councilor

August 26th-27th
"Highland Fling"

GREETINGS FROM THE HALL OF MASTERS

Thank you to all who displayed. The Hall was full and beautiful last weekend. Please let us remind you that displaying at the Hall is an opportunity, not a requirement. We love to show off your handiwork and send patrons to your shop. If you're new this year, in a new location, in a kiosk or cart, it would be very helpful to note on your registration slip that you're near the Legend or by the Butterfly Ride. Then we can send patrons to the right location... Alas, our secure storage has been reduced this year. Please remember to pick up between 7:00 and 8:00 on Sunday PM. If you forget, we understand! However, we need you to wait until after 2:00 (but before 7:00) on Saturday to claim a piece from a previous week. That allows us to give our full attention to the new installation.

Many thanks!

Lord Blaine and Lady Kate
Master and Mistress, Hall of
Masters

The Return of Peasant Olympics...

September 16th & 17th Peasant Olympics return to Festival. We need 3 more teams, with a maximum of 6 people on each team, and each team needs a captain. Teams will be competing in Fools Game (which includes the Turkey Roll & Turkey on a

Stick contest), synchronized swimming (on land) and a hobbyhorse equestrian event. Opening ceremony will be lighting of the torch and games will conclude with awards on Sunday. If you are interested and have a team ready to go, call Becky at the office to sign up.

ANNIVERSARY REMINDER

Years of Service awards will be presented on the 6th weekend of the Festival. If you have not yet notified your department head of your eligibility, you must do so this weekend. That is the final deadline!

ANNOUNCEMENTS: PHANTOMS FEAST COMING:

**OCT. 20, 27, 21 @ 7
PM**

**OCT. 21, 28, 29 @
5 & 8 PM**

&

**Funky Formal
Sep. 9th**

Missing Cat-
Young Male Siamese
disappeared late Sat.
night Aug. 20th.
Any info regarding
his whereabouts
please contact: Karen
Willey, Washer
Wench @ school bus
by B-gate or
call 1800-
301-9196
(voice mail)



GARDEN OF MERIT 2000

Craft Shop #640-641
**PINK MOON HAL-
LOW
BRENDA BROUS-
SEAU**

This Garden of Merit
award will be presented
by the Mayor's Entou-
rage at
3:30 p.m. on Sunday.

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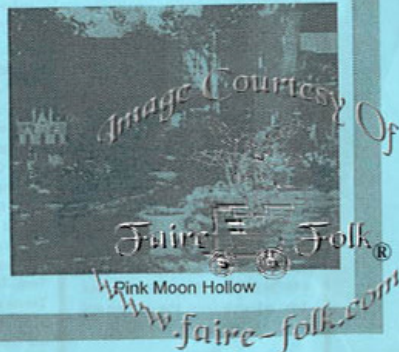
SITE HOURS-

Outer Gates-Fri, Sat,
Sun locked @ 10:30 pm

Back Gate-7 am to 2 am
Mon. with Guard on Duty

Inner Gate-A & B 7 am to
10:30 pm. C gate open 7
am to Midnight

Drive-In Gates-6:30 am
to 8 am & 7:30 pm to 8:30
pm Show Days



The 9th Annual Lord High Sheriff Balloon Fencing Tournament. Labor Day Weekend at the fencing booth. Presented by the University of Minnesota Fencing Club.

This year marks the 9th occurrence of this event. As before there will be 2 events. The Squires' event will be hosted on Sat. Sep. 2nd, 2000. This event is for novice balloon fencers. Close of Registration is Sep. 2nd at 6:30 pm. The Knights' event will be hosted on Sun. Sep. 3rd, 2000. This event is for more experienced balloon fencers. Any fencer who has won this event twice is excluded from further competitions. The first place award will be a competition-quality saber. Prizes for 2nd & 3rd place are TBA. Close of registration is Sep. 3rd @ 6:30 pm. All potential competitors are invited to visit the fencing booth. If you would like to register for the event,

please see Melissa or Cliff Iverson @ 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 encourage everyone to come watch the fun!

Don't Forget to check out:

Fables at the Table-Children's entertainment performed by village characters. Daily at noon.

Royal High Tea-Join the Queen & her ladies-in-waiting for a spot of tea and a light lunch. Daily at 4 p.m.

Renaissance Smoker-The King hosts beverages, Entertainment, and fine cigars. Daily at 6 p.m.

The Bodice Goddess

Presents

Costuming Fundamentals for
The Passionate Peasant
The Donied Merchant
The Upwardly Mobile

-From underpinnings
to the feather in your cap!

Private, or group lessons
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Booth #635

or contact me
The Cinnamon Lady
Lynne Hunter

BEST BREAKFAST IN THE REALM! @ Bad Manor. Show days 7-8 a.m. Still at two pounds Sterling!!!

Village Notes:

Friday night Sept. 1st there will be a wedding on site and they are looking for Entertainers. This is a paid gig. If you are interested talk to Katie Kline at the office (952) 445-7361.

Everyone **Please Be Aware** of the environment around you. Try not to step on each other's acts and be alert to the musicians that may be playing near you. Acknowledge your neighbors: A bow, a curtsy, a nod, recognition of each other in our daily routine brings us together and reinforces the village atmosphere to our guests.

Saturday evening mass has been moved back to its original grid spot of 6 pm at Treecop. Sorry about the mistake! Labor Day weekend there will be open spots at the Pavilion. In keeping with the "Romance & Melodies" theme we would like to try a music jam session. Anyone interested in joining is welcome. Talk to Erin for more details. Terpichory Dance Troupe will be giving dance lessons in Bad Manor Meadow at 9:15 Sat & Sun. This is a great opportunity to learn Renaissance dance. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to step by.

Everyone:

I would like to take a moment of your time. I'd like to thank all of you for being the wonderful human beings that you are. You have been supportive, patient, understanding, and above all caring as I fumble through this season. I can't begin to imagine how I would have done it without your help. You have made my job pleasant and fun and I hope we can work together for a long, long time. Thank you, Thank you, Thank you. Love, Erin Kasper



Visit the Chaska Community Center. All Renaissance employees who have a photo ID will be able to use the center for the same rate as a Chaska resident. The center is equipped with a workout area, pool, basketball, volleyball, daycare, skating rink, and full service locker rooms. Call (952) 448-5633 for information & times. Take a break from the routine and check out what they offer!

Special Events:

Join the Minnesota Coalition of Scottish Clans in teaching Scottish heritage and giving information about family history research. Sat. the 6th annual Highland Dance Competition will feature young dancers from the Minnesota Scottish Celtic Dance Association. On Sun. they will put on a dance exhibition. The Heavy Games return to the Festival this year. The traditional events such as the Caber Toss, Toss for Height, and the Hammer Throw will take place on the Shepard's Green starting at 10:00 am. The villagers will challenge the Heavy Games Competi-

tors to a Tug of War on Sat. afternoon. Children can play just like the big competitors in the Children's Reim and Caber Toss at 11:30 am in the Junior Caber Toss.



Celebration of Life
Harold "Mac" McMillen

Please join us as we gather
in tribute to "Mac"

Saturday, August 26th

8:00 pm

Bad Manor

Still need some more tickets? Or just want to do a promo out of the kindness of your heart? **Pauly's American Grill in Chaska** from 7-9 pm. **Wednesday September 6th**. Call Becky at 445-7361 and let her know you'll be there! It's always a fun one!



Chef's Gallery Promotion

Chef's Gallery in Stillwater is having their anniversary on Sep. 18th and they will be having a party from 4 to 8 pm. They're sponsoring our 6th weekend Celebrate the Season Garlic Festival. Fun entertainers are needed! You will be fed very, very, good food from their cooking school and Stillwater is a fun town to bum around. Plus their store has fun kitchen gadgets. Interested please let Allie know at 445-7361.

Studio/Retail Space For Rent

Beautiful space in South Minneapolis available October 1st. 640 square foot plus basement. 1920's storefront facing Longfellow Park, perfect for shop or studio. \$700 plus utilities. Call [redacted]



Exhibit Schedule:

- Aug. 26-27 Special Event: A HIGHLAND FLING
Featured Media: Astrology; Candles; Glass; Jewelry; Paintings; Prints & Wallhangings; Plants, Perfume & Potpourri
- Sept. 2-3-4 Special Event: ROMANCE & MELODIES
Featured Media: Apparel; Caricatures & Portraits; Fiber; Leather; Musical Instruments; Sculpture
- Sept. 9-11 Special Event: IRISH FOLKLORE
Featured Media: Calligraphy & Paper; Pottery; Ornaments; Patterns; Toys; Wood
- Sept. 16-17 Special Event: CELEBRATE THE SEASON
Featured Media: Astrology; Candles; Glass; Jewelry; Paintings; Prints & Wallhangings; Plants, Perfume & Potpourri

Nominees to the Masters Program

MASTERS PROGRAM

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

- Sept. 23-24 Special Event: WINE GALA
Special Focus: Masters and Artisans of the Masters Program

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 charges, 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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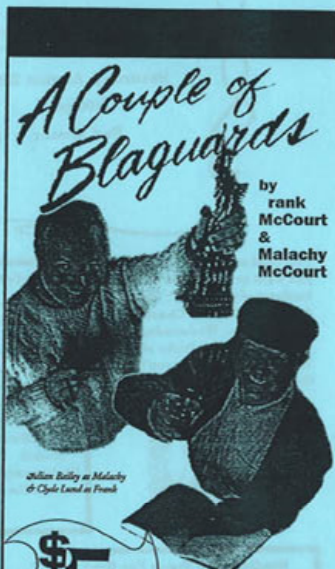
A List of things NOT to do in the Campground

- 1) Do Not set a fire, and then walk away leaving it unattended. Fire can go out of control very quickly, and then the whole place is on fire and it will be all your fault. Also leaving a fire unattended more than once can cause a fire-pit to be closed down.
- 2) Do Not set yourself on fire. Or anybody else for that matter.
- 3) Do Not use candles to light your tent. Pulling burning nylon off someone is not a pleasant experience (& not one I care to repeat).
- 4) Do Not leave your car parked in the campground if you don't have a campground parking pass. After you have unloaded, and before you go out and party, move your car to the upper lot. Then go drink yourself blind. If you don't, you may come back to find an ugly orange sticker on your windshield, or you may not be able to find your car at all, because it was towed.
- 5) Do Not let your dog run loose in the campground. If you want to run your dog, take it up in the parking lot. And if you're going to tell me about what a good dog you have, I will show you the scar on my arm I got out here from the "Good dog that never bit anybody." And yes, I do send loose dogs to the pound.
- 6) Do Not be noisy between 10:30 pm & 6:00 am. Believe it or not, there are people out here who need to go to bed early. Not everyone wants to stay up all night and puke on their shoes. Personally, I think if you have that much energy after a day out here, then your energy is going in the wrong direction.
- 7) Do Not try hitting yourself over the head with an empty wine or beer bottle. This ain't the movies and they really don't break.
- 8) Do Not stand in ankle-deep water while dealing with electricity. This one comes from personal experience. It's amazing how far you can fly with the help of 110 volts at 20 amps.
- 9) Do Not let your kids run around without supervision. I remember the day some parents let their children run off into woods. They came running back 5 minutes later, covered in yellow jackets. Good thing neither of kids were allergic.
- 10) Do Not drive fast in the campground. The campground speed limit is 5 mph. The reason for this is that there are a lot of children, pets, and drunken fools wondering around down there. People who speed in the campground can be tossed out, and have their cars towed.
- 11) Do Not bring people into the campground who don't belong here. If you want your family member/significant other to stay with you, get them a pass! If you want to get to know that bitchin' babe/cute guy you met on site, get their phone number! If you bring people without passes into the campground, they will be asked to leave and so will you!
- 12) Do Not leave anything in the showers. More than 500 people use the showers. If everyone left their stuff in there, we would soon be hip-deep in shampoo bottles, soap dishes, and Dr. Bronners Pure Castile Peppermint Soap (Dilute! Dilute! Dilute! OK!). We hang on to things if valuable (rings, watches, cell-phones, etc.) that we find in the showers, but everything else we toss. Just for the record showers are cleaned once a day, everyday. Which is probably why the paint is coming off the walls.

13) Do Not be a troll-head (obscure sci-fi reference). All it takes to get along in the campground is to treat each other with courtesy and respect. If you're not willing to do that, then leave, because no one wants you here anyway!

Jack Martins
Master at Castamentation

A Big Thank You to the Great American History Theater for providing a rehearsal space for this season!



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