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10:30 p.

-Exceptions-

Back Gate; 7am- 2pm Monday with security guard on duty

Inner Gate: A and B open 7am-

10:30 pm. C only ope 7am- midnight

> Drive-in Gates: 6:30 am- 8am

Royal Ale Festival ~

Pabst Beer Tasting

Tap into the spirit with free beer tasting at the Special Events pavilion at 12:30, 2:30 and 4:30. Seating is limited and will begin 15 minutes prior; a valid ID is required.

Pub Singing Competition

Come one, come all to the Third Annual Pub Sing Competition. Raise your mugs high and sing your favorite songs while cutting up a rug at this wild event held at Mac's Pub at 5:30 pm.

Sign Language Saturday

Saturday has been named Sign Language Saturday with some of the Realm's finest shows being signed for the deaf and hearing impaired. The stage schedule indicates which shows have interpreters; a listing can also be picked up at the Information booth.

A Special Thank You!

Thank You Bob and Magic for helping the Site Crew on Monday with the many mudpits on site! We greatly appreciate your kindness!

-Site Crew



Children's Costume Contest

Lads and Lassies can compete in a Renaissance Costume Contest at 11:00 at the Pavilion. After the competition, the children will be invited to participate in the Grande Marche parade at 2:00 pm.

Ghillievents

Bring your best face for the Making Faces Contest located at the Children's Realm Stage at 1:30. Come play with Ghillidoo, you'll have fun and learn a thing or two!

Wench Press

See valiant men test their strength, stamina and courage in the time honored competition of wench pressing at 11:30 am at the Special Events Pavilion.

Reminders!

Friday, September 24 C-Gate will only be open until 10:30 am.

Phantom feast tickets are currently on sale! Space is limited and reservations are required. If you are interested please call

Grim and Gimp (Shop 104) is for sale this year. If you are interested please speak to Gayle.



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5th Wknd	Colley/Davis Wedding	9/10	Fri.	4pm-12am	King's Arbor & Bad Manor
	Lexis-Nexis Company Party	9/11	Sat.	11AM-1PM	Wedding Tent
	Wilhelm Vow Renewal	9/11	Sat.	1pm-1:30pm	Chapel Garden
	Hallett Financial Company Party	9/11	Sat.	11AM-1PM	Queen's Tea Side
	Marvin Windows & Doors Co. Party	9/11	Sat.	12-2pm	Party Tent
	Catalina Marketing Company Party Jones/Somnis and	9/11	Sat.	4-6pm	Wedding Tent
	Mejia/Schlosser Wedding and Reception	9/12	Sun.	11AM-1PM	Chapel Garden/Wedding Tent
	Gauer/Zander Wedding & Reception	9/12	Sun.	2:30pm-4:30pm	Chapel Garden/Wedding Tent
	Williow Group Company Party	9/12	Sun.	11AM-1PM	Party Tent
	Burton B-Day Party	9/12	Sun.	11:30-1:30pm	Tea Side of Tent
6th Wknd	Peterson/Pitt Rehearsal	9/17	Fri.	3PM-5PM	Chapel Garden
	Ames Wedding	9/18	Sat.	10AM-11AM	Chapel Garden/Queen's Tea
	Peterson/Pitt Wedding & Reception	9/18	Sat.	11AM-1PM	Chapel Garden/Wedding Tent
	Payne-Lynch Company Party	9/18	Sat.	12PM-2PM	Wedding Tent extra
	Otto/Graves Wedding & Reception	9/18	Sat.	5PM-7PM	Chapel Garden/Wedding Tent
	Flower Show	9/18	Sat.	All Day	Party Tent
	McLain/Todd Wedding	9/19	Sun.	10:30am-11am	Chapel Garden
	Herrera Vow Renewal	9/19	Sun.	11:30AM	Chapel Garden
	Sather/ Stackhouse Wedding & Recep.	9/19	Sun.	2:30pm - 4:30pm	Chapel Garden/Wedding Tent
1	Canandaigua Sponsor Party	9/19	Sun.	11AM-1PM	Wedding Tent
	Flower Show	9/19	Sun.	All Day	Party Tent
7th Wknd	Kiel/Peterson Groom's Dinner	9/23	Thurs	7:00PM-10:00PM	Bad Manor
	National Arbtration Forum	9/24	Fri.	1pm-3pm	Wedding Tent
	MERSC Party	9/24	Fri	1PM-3PM	Bad Manor
	Deville/Watson Wedding & Reception	9/25	Sat.	11AM-1PM	Chapel Garden/Wedding Tent
	Delory/Stites Wedding & Reception	9/25	Sat.	2PM-4PM	Chapel Garden/Wedding Tent
	Cheme Industries Co. Party	9/25	Sat.	12-2pm	Party Tent
	Knappenburger Reception	9/25	Sat.	11AM-1PM	Queen's Tea Side
	Johnson/Nielson Wedding	9/25	Sat.	5PM-7PM	Chapel Garden/Wedding Tent
	Participant Party	9/25	Sat.	7pm-12am	Bad Manor/Wedding Tent
	Murray Wedding & Reception	9/26	Sun.	11am-1pm	Chapel Garden/Queen's Tea
	Hysitron Company Party	9/26	Sun.	12-2pm	Wedding Tent
	Pabst Sponsor Party	9/26	Sun.	3pm-5pm	Wedding Tent
	Wells Fargo Company Party	9/26	Sun.	2-4pm	Party Tent

Storage

Not So Broken By: Carr Hagerman

It's not hard to find something wrong with this place. One need only walk around the site and a list of

- Not enough street entertainment! Where are they?

- Expensive, poor quality food
- Run down buildings
- Joust area looks lousy

- Manufactured goods replacing

No wood chips - White tents

This is just a short list of things of things I heard about just last weekend. It never ends. There is a thread of a conversation that has been going on for years, and it always comes back to the "good old days" when things were better, when everything was fresh and new, when there was so much more entertainment, and the food was cheap and good, there weren't white tents, and every booth sold original, hand crafted goods.

Most of this conversation comes from some of us who have been here for a long time. The longer some of us have been here, the more we seem to be inclined to comparison and a sense of disappointment, and how the past is always brighter.

The perfect antidote for the clash of how it used to be with how it really is, is to find someone that has just started here, be it crafter or entertainer. Most of them are completely captivated by the place and have fallen in love with it. Many of these rookies share one common complaint. It's not the old buildings or carnival food, they don't mention prices, white tents, or a joust arena that is sub-par. It's the attitude of the veterans that is most run down. One young performer (new this year) said, "I've had to distance myself from some of the veterans because they just bitch about EVERYTHING!" I guess its human nature for some to gripe, it's just kind of sad.

I'm not subscribing to some Pollyanna complex, where everything is perfect and lovely and nothing needs attention, I'm not blind to the obvious. But this festival lives and dies on the currency of our attitudes. I can burn energy resisting how it is, or I can find a way to be involved that generates positive energy, while celebrating what is still good and plenty.

Many of us want to work for change, to find innovative and creative solutions to our problems, and to cultivate something better. In the meantime, there is much good here, good people, good food, and good friends, and that is just as real as that which is broken.

Embrace what we have, work to repair what we don't, and keep your eye on the one and only thing that has never given up on any of us, our audience.

Notes From The Entertainment Department

Greetings! My name is David Pipho and it has been my privilege to work for this company in the Entertainment Department. And I would like to thank this cast for your support, encouragement, and most of all, for some really creative and memory making street work. We are past the halfway point and soon our show will come to a close. But not before the awards. And the nominees are.....

The Cracked Cup Award, for best Rookie: Jason Braddock. Susie Kaster, Janessa Meddaugh, and the Road Construction Girls.

The Late Bloomer Award, for most improved Veteran: Nate Favilla, Steven J. Wilson, Theresa Dorsey, and John Behr.

The Bottomless Hat, for best stage, street or music act: Reve Du Faun, the Molly Hares, Deane Laseter, Gordy Boudreau, the Wacky Chickens, and Ten Seconds of Harmony.

A special awards evening will be Saturday, Sept. 25 at 8 pm at the Pavillion. Gary Parker will present the Unicorn Awards, an award for outstanding individuals with a minimum of ten years with this show. Carr Hagerman will present the Lee Walker Award for lifetime achievement with the Minnesota Renaissance Festival.

This weekend's Production Office hours are 3-5, both days. Sunday, Sept. 12 is another payday. Checks not picked up on Sunday will be mailed out on Monday.

I have Trail of Terror applications and am in need of entertainers for Hayride and Maze. You may pick those up in the Production Office as well. Dates for this show are Oct. 14-17, 21-24, and 28-31. Again, I want to thank all of you for what you do in this show. It takes each and everyone of us to come together for seven weekends in the fall and make memories. And a special thank you to Kae Caston for capturing these moments on film for us.

stop by the MRF office in Shakopee, or drop me an email at If you need anything, call me at

Have a great rest of the run and see you in the streets!

HALL OF MASTERS

The Hall of Masters, near the Big Bear, is the place to display the best example of your wares. Each craftsperson is scheduled to exhibit in the Hall twice during the season. You can drop off your items on Saturday mornings beginning at 7:30am. Don't forget to fill out a registration card and pick up the item after 7:00 pm on the last day of the weekend.

Exhibit Schedule

Sept. 11-12 Calligraphy & Paper, Furniture; Ornamental; Potters; Toys; Wood

Sept. 18-19 Astrology; Candles; Glass; Jewelry; Paintings, Prints & Wallhangings; Photography, Plants, Perfume & Potpourri; 2004 Nominees to the Masters Program

Sept. 24-25-26 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. New Masters and Artisans for the year 2003 were nominated last fall and elected this year. We are proud to present them to you.

MASTERS:

Reva Myers, Shop #106; Lynette Power, Shop #126; Gene Coon, Shop #215-216; Dante Fraboni, Shop #402; Nelson Brown, Shop #412; Charles Knutson, Shop #363-637; Ginger Baird, Shop #719

ARTISANS:

Carol Sanvik, Shop #410; Nikki Nielsen, Shop #446; Amy Fill, Shop #P-36

New Masters and Artisans will be honored at the Knighting Ceremony on September 18th. All Masters and Artisans will display in the Hall of Masters on the last weekend of the season

Announcements



The Master's Dinner was a welcomed time for me to get to know more about you and your views on the Minnesota Renaissance Festival's craft program. A big thanks to all that attended and shared your thoughts and views.

I want to say thank you to Callie Spilane, P-45 who stepped into the Liaison role in her area. If you are unaware of whom your liaison is, please see Crystal at B-Gate.

Last weekend we saw an abundance of puddles and mud around the site. Due to the fact that there were large tracks and divots from drivers on the site, we are choosing to close the gates to unnecessary traffic on rain days. Hopefully this will avoid the problem in the future.

I have posted a bulletin board at B-Gate for messages. Please use this to your advantage.

The Shakopee Fire Marshall has informed us that all fire extinguishers must be mounted in each booth. Basically, this means that they can no longer be stored on the floor. In addition, all booths and peddlers must have a fire extinguisher.

Service Awards



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On Sunday, September 19th we will be honoring those who have been with the Festival for 10, 15, 20, 25 & 30 years. Please join us in celebrating them & their commitment to the Festival. The Knighting ceremony Master's and Artisans will also be held on that day. Both ceremonies will take place on King's Arbor stage beginning at 10:30 a.m. The Septidal 11 years and Award list is located on the take page. If there are any changes or additions, please see Laura at B-Gate by Saturday, September 4th Affect his date, no changes or additions will be accepted. Thank You!

Years of Service

The Festival has historically honored those who have completed 10,15,20, 25, and 30 consecutive years participation in the Festival. If you can, attend the Knighting Ceremony at the King's Arbor on Sunday, September 19th at 10:30am. New Artisans and Masters of the Craft Program will be presented and knighted at the end of the Ceremony.



Crafts:

Sunny Pouliot # 229 Shirley Cook # 518 James Cook # 518 Jon Anderson # 229 Jere Huffman # 211-212 Holly Jacobson # 404-405 Mike Poisson # 140-142 Curtis Burrell Jr. # 627 Kate Huffman # 211-212 Craig Edwards # 117-119

Entertainment:

Terry Foy

Food

Independent: Rita Schol Greg Schol

Crafts:

Doug Hicks # 220 Jeff Mathews # 232 Ami Tockman Swerdlick # P-30 Ranaga Fabiarz # 738 Kimberly Groves # 335 Ken Patzoldt # 209-210 Jo B. Manbeck # 209-210 Ginger Hammel Norman Greene # 232

Entertainment:

Tim Dennis Jac Martins Mark Pilon Jay William Koelsch Don Lemmerman Gary Schulte

Informational

Booth: Joyce Geving Dan Horsfall Kathy Horsfall Dick Tirk

Crafts:

Charles Town # 146 Karen Petranglo # P- 39 Linda Frankenstein # P-23 LaJeanne Runnels # P-22 Lorraine Owings # P- 06 Toni Barnhart # 421 Sandy Barry # 125 Hannah Herzog # 332 Bill MacRae # 112 John Rupkey # P-38

Entertainment:

Diana Steben Anjila Kozel Eric Knight Tim Wick

Staff:

Barb Brekke

Crafts:

Trish Doss # 631 Carol Sanvik # 410 Richard Braun #735-Joan Braun #735-736 Nancy Christensen #P-Louise Sandwick #844 Doug Sanders #717 Jim Jorgenson #P-07 Jim Vojacek #447 Lynette Power #126 Craig Johnson #146-Kathy Dopita #152-Vern Peterson #340 Jeff Doss #631 Joan Grav #344-345

Diane Koi-Thompson Mark Matzke #127 Entertainment:

Suc Voincek #447

#504

Mary Rohe David Dubois James Green Luis Rosa Stan Bookout Trevor Hartman Games:

Greg Bolton Patti Constant

Crafts:

Carolyn Stinson # 722-723 Kirsten Kastelle # 201, P-03 Bonnie Grittner # 152-153 Charles Knutson # 636-637 Mary Lofgren # P- 23 Ruth Zulkosky #717 Joseph Zulkosky #717 Jim Miller # 424 Judge Miller # 424 Beth Knutson

P-51 James Johnson # 125 Sandie Russell # 653

636-637

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David Stanelle

Dixie Lee Brunet

Entertainment:

Barbara Friebe Dee Johnson Melissa Johnson Patrick Baker Randy Everson Jennifer Jo Peck

Games:

Ananda Wold

