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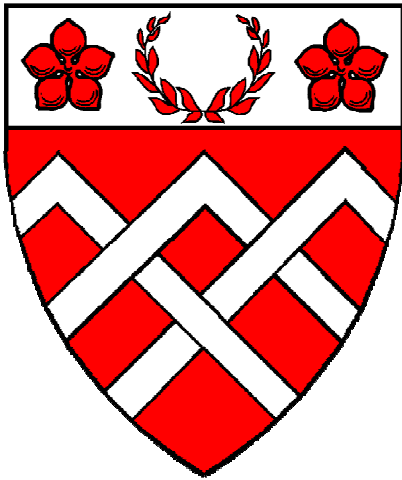
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Based on a figure from
a French Book of Hours, c. 1510

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Gules, three chevronels braced and on a chief argent a laurel wreath between two cinquefoils gules.

(Device was registered in December 1993 via the East Kingdom.)

The Shire of Sylvan Glen

The Shire of Sylvan Glen is a local branch of the Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA), an international organization dedicated to researching and re-creating pre-17th century history with the emphasis being on European history. We are located in the Eastern Panhandle of West Virginia, and we are a proud part of the Kingdom of Aethelmearc, which stretches from southern West Virginia to northern New York. There are currently 19 kingdoms around the world. Our activities include Adult and Youth Combat, Thrown Weapons, Archery, Fencing, Arts & Sciences, Dancing, Scribal Art, Music, and Events. Want to know more? Just contact one of the good gentles on the following page to get more information on the activities you are interested in.

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May Events

2-4	Æthelmearc Spring Crown Tournament	Shire of Heronter, RP
13-15	Æthelmearc War Practice	Canton of Steltonwald, RP
30- Jun1	Melee Madness	Barony of Endless Hills
31	On Target	Barony of Lochmere, Kingdom of Atlantia

RP = Royal Progress

In honor of our new King and Queen, Khalek and Bronwyn, The Apple Press presents a very brief history of the Mongolian Empire along with several links to learn more about this fascinating culture.

In the chaos of the late twelfth century, a chieftain named Temüjin finally succeeded in uniting the Mongol tribes between Manchuria and the Altai Mountains. In 1206, he took the title Genghis Khan, and he and his successors began expanding the Mongol Empire into the largest contiguous land empire in world history, going as far northwest as the Kievan Rus, and as far south as northern Vietnam, Tibet, and Iran.

After Genghis Khan's death in 1227, probably from injuries sustained in a riding accident, the empire was subdivided into four kingdoms, or "Khanates", but the final split-up occurred only after Möngke's death in 1259. One of the khanates, the "Great Khanate", consisting of the Mongol homeland and China, in 1271 became the Yuan Dynasty. The first Yuan emperor, Kublai Khan, set up his centre in present day Beijing. After more than a century of power, the Yuan Dynasty was replaced by the Ming Dynasty in 1368, and the Mongol court fled north, continuing as North Yuan. The Ming armies pursued the Mongols into their homeland and defeated them, but were not able to conquer Mongolia. However, they were successful in sacking and destroying the Mongol capital Karakorum and other cities in 1388. The Chinese wiped out the cultural progress of the Mongols achieved during the imperial period and Mongolia was thrown back to the unruly state of pre-imperial times.

The Mongol Empire - http://www.allempires.com/article/index.php?q=The_Mongol_Empire

The Mongol Emperors - <http://www.paradoxplace.com/Insights/Civilizations/Mongols/Mongols.htm>

Biography of Genghis Kahn - <http://www.leader-values.com/Content/detail.asp?ContentDetailID=799>

Source: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mongolia#Mongol_Empire



Happenings in the Shire

Congratualtions to *Benjamine Hackwode* who is the latest member of the shire be called into court at *Aethelmearc Coronation* on *April 12, 2008*. *Their Majesties* said it has been reported by many that *Ben* is a kind, chivalous, and honorable citizen of *Aethelmearc*, and they bestowed upon him an *Award of Arms* and the right to use the title *Lord*. For *Benjamine Hackwode*, *Vivat! Vivat! Vivat!*

Lord Benjamin Hackewode, MKA Benjamin Zekiah Edelen, has been in the SCA for two years. He has been a Division 3 youth fighter since he started and is now preparing to authorize as an adult fighter at the end of June. Ben is also interested in archery, axe throwing, leatherwork, blacksmithing, sewing, and heraldry. Ben is waiting on his name and device, which he drew, to be accepted. Ben has been seen at the Defender's Tournament, the Siege of Glengary, and the Pennsic War lurking around in an attempt at an 1100 – 1300 yeoman woodsman persona. In mundane life, Ben works at Quiznos Sub in Ranson but hopes to someday become a police officer/detective after graduating from college. Ben plans to attend Shepherd University for the next four years. After becoming authorized as a heavy fighter, other hurdles Ben will attempt to leap are learning to dance, building a trebuchet, and finding something for his girlfriend to do in the SCA.



Ben at Pennsic



Ben in Battle

Want to know how award determinations are made? Know someone you would like to see recognized? See pages 15-18 for more information on how to make that happen.



April Meeting Minutes

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Bera	Vicenzo	Mathias	Katherine	Griffin	Petr
Maria	Hrefna	Kalli	Jolene	Little Jason	Margarita
Snaebjorn	Jason	Kendra	Katy	BJ	Gillian

The meeting was called to order at 740 pm on Tuesday, April 1, 2008.

Officers' Reports

Exchequer- Griffin reported that the shire has \$4495.75.

Heavy Marshall – Report was delivered by Snaebjorn. Fighter practice was held this past Sunday. Next practice will be on 4-6. It was unclear if this would be at Poorhouse Farm Park or at the indoor site. Bera would like to see fighter practice stay at the indoor site because of the visibility we have there. The shire may consider moving practice to War Memorial Park which has more traffic.

Bera will notify the county park system that we will not need Poorhouse Farm Park's barn for this year and she will talk to them about moving fighter practice. She will also place a notice in the kingdom newsletter that there is no Defenders Tourney for this year, but we will bring it back in 2009.

There are several upcoming festivals and parades coming up in which the shire could take part. They include the Apple Harvest Festival, the Apple Butter Festival, and the May Day Festival.

Youth Marshall – Snaebjorn reported there was no youth fighting at the last practice because most of the participants forget important protective items.

Arts & Sciences – Delivered by Bera as Beth couldn't make it. Classes will pick up with the warm weather. The next class will be the sewing pouch/first aid kit. Fee is \$2. The following class will be origami. Beth has requested volunteers to teach classes. Teaching is a rewarding experience and she encourages everyone to do it at least once.

Bera asked people to volunteer. Petr will offer a class on herbal teas. Katherine and Kalli will contact Beth about teaching classes on jewelry and beading respectively. Mariia has plans to offer classes on banners and fans.