



the **White BIRCH**

newsletter of the shire of rokeclif

July 2010 (as xlv)

seneschal's missive

To all who read and hear these words, Kudrun Pilegrim sends greeting.

As most of you know by now, the Shire made a difficult decision to postpone Autumn Rose XVI. Even though our neighbors and friends have been a huge help to us, we have still stretched the resources of this group to host Autumn Rose in past years. I think if we had attempted to do the event this year we would have stretched to the breaking point.

That decision is not permission to relax and do nothing. Quite the contrary, it allows us to put what energy and people we have to work to build the group. Fall is the best time to recruit college students. Robert, Vitaliano, and Bronislavá are working on finding opportunities for demos. We can also coordinate with our neighbor groups to teach each other about the SCA, and to help with their public presentations.

Please be thinking of what you might offer at a demo. What items could you show on an A&S table? What martial arts could you demonstrate or explain to the public? What period in history are you willing to learn about in enough detail to describe your persona?

This is a great opportunity for us to grow the shire in more fertile soil. We can still offer events on a scale more suitable for a group our size. And we can offer service to other groups who are doing larger events.

Kudrun



next meetings

Sunday, July 18 – around 6 PM

Skokke Towers

This is later than usual because at least three of us will be returning from afar.

Saturday, July 31 – around 2PM

Storage shed (cleanup) and Kudrun's garage (sign painting)

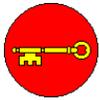


upcoming events

Selected list. For the complete list, see the *Northwatch* or www.northshield.org

- July 8-10 Warriors & Warlords – Jararvellir & Nordskogen – Boscobel WI
July 18 Populace meeting 6PM
July 31 (and possibly Sunday) Storage shed cleanup and sign painting day
August 13-15 Poor Man's Pennsic – Falcon's Keep (Wisconsin Rapids)
August 20-22 St Radekund's Fair – Rivenwood Tower (Mankato MN)
August 27-29 Ages of War – Silfren Mere (Preston MN)
September 11 Fall Coronation TBA
September 24-26 Windhaven's Fall Fest – Windhaven (Oconto WI)
October 2 Novices, Neophytes & Knaves – Turm an dem See (Sheboygan WI)
October 9 Fall Crown – Silfren Mere (Plainview MN)
October 15-17 Youth get a castle... – Caer Antherth Mawr (Kiel WI)

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Nay-sayer – Alyssa
(Alyssa Lambert) Who is so good at her job she won't even say 'Nay'



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minutes of the populace meeting

June 20, 2010 – Skokke Towers

Present: Robert, Cybele, Vettoria, Vitaliano, Alyssa, Kudrun

Meeting was called to order by Deputy Emergency Deputy Vettoria at 2:20.

Robert and Kudrun reported on the demo at Sparta's Butterfest.

The Trempealeau County Fair will be held July 22-25th. In previous years we have met at the fair in garb, made contact with the fair manager, Lucas, and the Lions. We can't give them checks now for an event in September without an accounting nightmare, due to Wisconsin's desire to audit its non-profit organizations. (As I understand it, every shire in the whole SCA would have to submit to audit by Wisconsin at SCA's expense. When this happened in Illinois, the Illinois SCA incorporated separately from the rest of the SCA. It entailed having separate books: those from before the split and those from after.) Kingdom officers are working on a solution.

We questioned the usefulness of four people showing up in garb on the last day of the fair, and decided it wasn't worth doing. The consensus was to meet on the regular day (July 18 – at the storage shed) and not leaflet the fair. [**This was adjusted after the meeting.**]

Gavin resigned as Chirurgeon and as Minister of Arts & Sciences. Vettoria is still thinking about getting the required first-aid training to become a chirurgeon.

Vitaliano nominated Robert the Unlucky as Minister of Arts & Sciences. Cybele seconded it. Rather than send Robert out of the room, we simply asked him to put his hands over his ears and say “la-la-la-la” while we talked about him. The vote carried, with Alyssa abstaining from abstaining.

Officers signed the Change of Officer forms for Robert and for Vitaliano, who finally received confirmation that his youth minister background check was ok.

Cybele has contacted people to serve lunch at Autumn Rose: Olson's Little Red Wagon. Vitaliano is planning roast lamb for the groaning board.

Next meeting will be at the Galesville Subway, and then we'll tackle the storage shed – tossing the junk, repairing the non-junk, and organizing the good stuff into good strong uniform totes.

We will also have a sign moot in early August (August 1) in Kudrun's garage. [**This was changed.**]

Meeting was un-oyezed at 3:25.

A&S LIST

Robert continues to work on calligraphy

Cybele has been storytelling

Kudrun and Robert demonstrated SCA A&S at Butterfest in Coille Stoirmeil.

Kudrun is still working on a class for WW



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