

THE GATEKEEPER

Barony of Unser Hafen

August

2016



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| 6-7 | Kingdom of the Outlands | Battlemoor VII [CLEAN UP] | | |
| 6 | Canton of Hawks Hollow | Saint Sebastians Archery Tournament | | Ailinn |
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| October 2016 | | | | |
| 1 | Barony of Dragonsspine | Dragonsspine Investiture and A&S | K/Q | Lydia |
| 7-9 | Barony of Fontaine dans Sable | Warders of the Western Gate | | Adriana |
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August 10 Baronial Revel - Wellmark Keep - Please Carpool!

Note change to Wednesday!

August 13 Battle for Western Gatewayh - Ravenhyrst

August 13-14 Battlemoor Cleanup

Aug 31-Sept 5 [Battlemoor](#)

Sept 9-11 Estes Park Scottish/Irish Festival Demo - Hawks Hollow

Sept 16-17 Pirate Festival Demo - Hawks Hollow

Oct 1 A&S Collegium Display, Competition & Investiture - Dragonsspine

Oct 22 Newcomers - Unser Hafen - Don James

Oct 1 A&S Collegium, Display, Competition & Investiture - Dragonsspine

Dec 3 Hunter's Feast - Windkeep

Dec 10 Midwinter - Caer Galen

Jan 21 Thorsblodt - Unser Hafen - Mistress Richenda & Countess Rosalind

Aug 12-13, 2017 Crown Tournament - Unser Hafen

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What's Going on in our Barony:

- **Fighter Practice** - Warren Park on Lemay in Fort Collins, Sundays, 2-6.
- **Rapier Practice** - With Fighter Practice until the fall
- **Dance Practice** - Back again in the fall
- **Craftsman's Guild** - Back again in October
- **Equestrian Practice** - Contact Lady Cecelia O'Connor, 970.420.6652.
- **Armouring** - Tuesdays at Rose Manor, 2114 42nd Avenue, Greeley. Contact Lord Gerrit d'Orleans, 909.568.7155.
- **Steward's Guild** - see listing on Facebook: [Unser Hafen Steward's Guild](#).
- **Calligraphy and Illumination Guild** - contact Lady Anne Elizabeth Morley, 970.669.9213.
- **Archery Practice** - Captain of Archers position to be filled.
- **Baronial Revels** - 2nd Thursday of the month. August's Revel will be ON WEDNESDAY the 10th at Wellmark Keep, 3601 El Caminito Court in Loveland.
- **Baronial Business Meetings** - Held every third Friday of the month at Perkins restaurant at Crossroads. Come to help plan activities, come listen and hear what is going on. All are welcome.

Recent Awards:

Here There Be Dragons:

Baroness Hélène Boudain - Builder's of the Portcullis

Baronial Revel Moved from August 11th to August 10th

Normally held the second Thursday of every month, this month it will be held on Wednesday, August 10 instead (roadwork planned for the 11th). It

will be at Wellmark Keep (3601 El Caminito Court, Loveland 80537), home

Unser Hafenneeds Officers and Deputies!

As in every club, the members need to help keep it running by getting involved in the club organization and helping out with the offices. From time to time there are officer openings – today we have the Captain of Archers position open – as well as each officer needs help and assistance with people volunteering as a deputy officer. Come learn how the SCA works; volunteer to make the Barony better. Contact the Seneschal, Master Freana, to learn more. No experience necessary, just the willingness to help.

Many congratulations to

Lord Thomas and Shylaon their wedding!

It took place during Here There Be Dragons at a fun mock court.

Although they live in Casper, Wyoming, we hope to see them at events!

BATTLEMOOR

- If you have not registered - why not??? Please get those registrations in. Site registration fees must be POSTMARKED no later than August 13th or the site fee will increase by \$10.00.
- Contact Baron Nico (baron@unserhafen.org) as soon as possible with your camping space needs.
- We would like to beautify Unser Hafen's camp site with painted wall hangings, and are still looking for volunteers to help with that project! Will

you spend a little time beautifying our site? If so, please contact our Baron or Baroness (baron@unserhafen.org, baroness@unserhafen.org), or the A&S Minister (aands@unserhafen.org).

- The Smiling Bull hopes to buy a dining tent. We are putting on a Pig Roast to raise funds. See below for details.
- For Friday's Pig Roast and the Meal Plan, please contact Lady Gabriella (gabriellarizosca@gmail.com).
- SMILING BULL MEAL PLAN

Thursday: Bolognese Meat Sauce w/Penne Pasta, Spinach Lasagna Roll Ups [V], Mixed Veggies, Grilled Garlic Bread

Friday: PIG ROAST -- 80 POUNDS OF ROASTED HOG, HOT OFF THE GRILL, Apricot Chicken -- browned on the grill, Tropical Rice & Cous Cous Salad

Saturday: Hungarian Gulak w/Buttered Noodles, Green Peas with Mint, Rolls

Sunday: Populace Choice Chicken w/fresh Naan flatbread, Corn on the Cob, Watermelon Plugs

GLUTEN FREE, VEGETARIAN OR OTHER DIETARY NEEDS: Pre-register, prepaid, no problem ASK FOR DETAILS!

WHAT DOES IT COST? Pre-paid prices:

Adults, Age 8 - 16 half price, Age 7 & under free w/paying adult

Full Meal Plan Thu, Fri, Sat, Sun Supper; Fri, Sat, Sun, Mon Breakfast \$48 per adult

Includes Pig Roast

Full Week-End: Fri, Sat, Sun Supper, Sat, Sun, Mon Breakfast \$36 Adult

Short Week-end: Sat, Sun Supper, Sun Breakfast \$20 Adult

Evening Only [4 Suppers T-F-S-S]: \$32 Adult

\$32 Adult; \$16 Ages 8 - 16

Paid on Site: \$7 Breakfast & \$10 Dinner Thu, Sat, Sun***if we have spots available.

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Classes taught by members of our Barony

Baroness Hélène Boudain:

Walk Away Cooking - If you have spent an event shopping, cooking, cleaning up this could be the class for you! If you're washing dishes [in lukewarm water] while everyone else is partying, this could be the class for you!

Walk Away Cooking is a system of precooking [in a clean kitchen!], packaging and storing food for an event that lets you feed people quickly, serve hot food to the early arrivers and the stragglers and walk away 15 minutes after you serve the last person.

Class covers the method, features a tasting method and provides recipies.

Friday at 11:00

Zombie Necks: Patterns & Tailoring Tricks - Gores -- Facings -- Patterns -- Yokes. Paperbag waistbads. Elastic versus cord. A T-tunic that fits right the first time! Pants Sewing techniques that will make your first tunic look like you are an expert. Take a personal neck pattern with you and learn how to make a neck pattern for all your friends.

Sew so they can't tell you're a beginner. Spend your time making more garb instead of struggling with one tunic.

Friday at 3:00 pm

Lady Anne Elizabeth Morley:

Calligraphy 101 - Try your hand at beautiful lettering. Learn the basics while capturing the beautiful Humanist script.

Friday at 9:00

Ten Tips for Better Calligraphy - Polish your calligraphy with ten easy details.

For both experienced and beginning scribes.

Saturday at 9:00

Gothic Lettering Made Simple - Do your lines wobble? Does your Gothic look lightweight? Come find out how to make your Gothic gorgeous.

Saturday at 9:45

Understanding Documentation - Does documentation keep you from entering your artwork into competition? Do you get marked down on your documentation? Come learn how to document your work to impress the judges! For anyone in the Arts & Sciences.

Sunday at 9:00

Newcomers 2016

Masks

22 October, 9:00 am - 8:00 pm

Foothills Unitarian Church

1815 Yorktown Avenue, Fort Collins, Colorado

As the title says, this year's theme is masks and masked societies and rituals throughout history. But any October and Halloween themes are encouraged!

If you have something you would like to teach or display, regardless of the theme, please contact Haggis at haggissmith@aol.com and we'll find a spot for you!

Current plans are still evolving, but we have feast space for around 80, two mask competitions for made-at-home vs made on site, classes on everything from grace to combat (so, lack of grace), arts and sciences of impressive ability and number, Honest Nico's tent of 1000 Honestly Acquired Items for sale and a silent auction to fund our winter practice site. And the list is growing. To donate items to the silent auction contact Haggis at haggissmith@aol.com.

Whattcha Goin' Eat at Newcomers?

How to keep body and soul together while waiting for Jarl Freana's wondrous feast?

Come to the snack bar for nibblies and crunchies and things that go bump in the night!

Bring something creepy to share ['tis the season] Snack bar is complimentary.

Need more food?

Smiling Bull will be selling HOT Grilled Cheese Sandwiches for \$1.00 apiece.

Yes, really -- one little dollar for a big fat sandwich. Fund Raiser for our new Dining Tent

Getting to know the Gentles of Unser Hafen

Safiyya bint Faris al-Dani

aka Joshi Solomon-Freville

Mundane Life:

Where did you grow up?

I have spent my life moving around quite a bit. I've lived on both US coasts and in the Caribbean

Where have you lived?

San Francisco, CA; Trinidad West Indies; Washington, DC; Hyattsville, MD; New York, NY

Where do you live now?

Greeley, CO

What do you do for a living?

I am a costume designer with the Colorado Dance Theatre. It's a small non-profit company that only produces one show a year. With my design work being strictly seasonal, I supplement with a day job as an Enterprise Rent-A-Car claims adjustor.

Are you in a relationship? Does that person play as well?

I am married and my spouse does play as well. In fact we met at a now retired event called Three Stags in 2009.

Do you have children?

We have one 5 year old son named Kaiden. His SCA name, currently, is Caden Nicosson.

SCA Life:

How long have you been in the SCA?

I have played for about 11 years

What Kingdoms and Baronies within the Outlands have you lived in?

Unser Hafen within the Outlands is the only SCA home I have known. I bleed green and gold!

Are you in a Household?

I'm associated with a few Households. I joined the Smiling Bull Tavern when I first started playing and was later invited to be a member of the Inn of the Wandering Dragon; as that is the Household my spouse first joined. As her student, I am also a member of Duchess Anna's Order of the Phoenix.

What is your title?

Without the honor of bearing the Coronet of Unser Hafen, I'm a simple Lady of our realm.

Who is your persona?

Name? Safiyya bint Faris al Dani

Time period? Roughly 1500 to 1550's

Country of origin? Tetouan, Morocco

Job? I have loosely based my personal on Saiyyda al-Hurra, her notoriety began when she inherited the naval fleet of her late husband and the duties that came along with it. Considered an Ottoman corsair, she became a prominent in wealth and renown that she was courted, and eventually married to Ahmad al-Wattasi, the Sultan of Morocco. In her time Saiyyda al-Hurra (which a title, her full name is quite lengthy) was known as a Muslim cleric, a merchant, a governor and a pirate before she was ever a queen, her story inspired me to chase after every interest I found within the SCA.

What are your interests in the SCA?

Too many! The arts are a given with my professional experience in theatre design. I do a great deal of sewing and take on scribal projects as often as I can but I hope to start exploring more fiber related crafts (silk painting, embroidery, dyeing etc.) I greatly enjoy service. From helping put on events and being an officer to simpler tasks like helping someone unload their vehicle or peeling untold pounds of carrots. I was a very active rapier fighter before my son was born and I'm working on getting back to the field. I'm also working on putting together a kit for heavy combat, and carry high hopes of getting to more archery and equestrian practices.

Do you teach or mentor?

I have taught various classes on basic costume history, different painting techniques, an introduction to spices and folding kanzashi flowers (Japanese hair ornaments). I have not been a mentor in any official capacity but I always try to make myself available when my knowledge base can be of use to another.

Have you been an officer, nobility or royalty?

I have been Exchequer for the Canton of Bofharrach as well as Barbican Pursuivant ('book' or Herald or Record) for the Barony of Unser Hafen. My husband and I are the current Territorial Coronet for Unser Hafen

Are you a Squire, Apprentice or Student? To whom? What is your focus?

I am an Apprentice to Duchess Anna de Apperleye. This is a station that is currently in abeyance while I sit the Unser Hafen thrones, but one that I will happily resume when my tenure has ended. Under Her Grace's guidance I hope to refine and expand those artistic endeavors I enjoy and become more comfortable with research and documentation.

What are your hopes for:

Your SCA life? Taking advantage of my new position as much as I can. Being Baroness comes with a lot of responsibility but also a lot of opportunities for travel to new lands, meeting new people and, always, learning new things.

The Barony? Unser Hafen is at a special point where there are a growing number of new and excited players with a wealth of experienced players. I hope to help foster connections between the two for the sharing of skill and knowledge.

The Kingdom? The SCA? It's unusual for me to think of the Outlands or our Society as entities separate from my local group. Any work I do in the service of my Barony extends to my Kingdom and goes on to help better our Society. Many hands make light work, after all.

Archery Champion

My name is Angus Montgomery the Forrester (Forrester), I am very fortunate to be your new archery Champion for the Barony.

I wanted to introduce myself to those who don't know me because I've been tasked by your Baron and Baroness to try to help people learn the joy of archery, and to help promote and grow the archery program in your barony.

A little bit about me I have been in the SCA for 30 years all of it in the Barony of Caerthe and the Barony of Dragonsspine. I've been Archery Champion in both Caerthe and Dragonsspine and for the Kingdom of the Outlands. I shoot both handbow and crossbow. I am ranked Bowmaster with the crossbow and Forrester rank with the handbow. I shoot many bow types including horse bow, longbow, and recurve. Not only do I shoot crossbows, but I make them as well. I am a fletcher, and have been known to dabble with leather working as well. I was Archer General for the Kingdom for four years and Captain of Archers for the Canton of Hawks hollow for another three years. I love anything archery and anything related with medieval warfare, such as thrown weapons, siege weapons and the like. I am an active fighter (30 years and counting), combat archer, and siege engineer.

My goal is to help you build a strong archery program within your great barony. Your Barony has a strong tradition with archery and you have had many great archers. Please sound out, how many of you would like to start in archery or come back to the bow and crossbow? Being in Caerthe I can't make it up to every practice, but I can make several of them. I have lined up many great teachers to come up to your area to teach different styles of shooting. In addition to all this we can hold classes on arrow making, as well as making leather quivers and arm guards. As well as target archery, I along with another teacher have started a combat archery class.

Anyone interested? I am on facebook (Dwayne Beuthel), plus my cell number is 720-560-

0627, or lord-forrester@comcast.net.

I am looking forward to know you all much better. Let's go out and have fun in archery and learn something cool.

(Also go to Facebook and sign up for Unser Hafen Archers)

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Protector-Eberwinus von Grimme

Warden-THL Angus Montgomery the Forrester

Equerry-Lady Cecelia Juette

Arts & Sciences Champion-Lord Valbjorn Juleson

Pencerdd Bard-Lady Rhiannin filia Fynn

Barbican Persuivant- Lord Ruadrí mac Batín

Baronial Guards-Lord Iago Martyn (captain of the guard), Lady Dagrun
Ljufudottir, Lady Vivian Bell, Lady Brynandor, Lord Ruadrí mac Batín

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LETTERS FROM OFFICERS

From the Marshal of Fence and the Hospitlar:

Haggis of Unser Hafen here! Rapier Marshal and Hospitlar

Congratulations to Master (and many other titles) Freana and Lord Lohengrin, both of whom passed their Authorizations this month for Rapier! Lords Martine and Lord Ruadri were last month. Feel free to challenge them at your first opportunity. Keeps them on their toes. . .

Please give a warm welcome to Lady Brynja (Julia Shuff) who comes to us from far away lands and has jumped in with both feet. Easy to spot, she's a head taller than you are, minimum. John Hally of the red beard has also joined us, for those of you who have been privileged enough to meet him at the last few events and practices. We also have a slew of others coming in whose names will be posted on the next newsletter, from around the Known World and possibly the unknown. I'm not sure. That's why it's

unknown.

Haggis

From the Arts and Sciences Minister:

Greetings Good Gentles!

I have been appointed your acting A&S Minister. First, I would like to thank Lady Rosamonde Carver for her wonderful service, and wish her well. She will be working with the Craftsmen's Guild once it continues in October, for which I am very grateful.

Creators of all things, please continue your good works! Work with a guild, or contact me to help create one. Our Barony is full of artisans of all levels, so let us all be seen! If you know of any up and coming artisans, or any interested in your field, please mentor them, and please let me know about them.

As my main interest is scribal, I would like to see the Calligraphy and Illumination Guild expand to include a monthly gathering of scribes to work on and talk about scrolls. Not a class, just a gathering of like-minded artists. I will aim towards setting that up to begin in October.

Let's make a really good showing of Arts and Sciences at Newcomers 2016 to entice new members. If you are not already signed up to demonstrate at Newcomers please consider doing so, and contacting Haggis (haggissmith@aol.com).

Yours in Service,
Anne

Lady Anne Elizabeth Morley

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