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Welcome! The Barony of Mag Mor is the Lincoln, Nebraska branch of the Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA), an international non profit organization dedicated to recreating and researching pre-17th Century European history. Mag Mor is located in the Kingdom of Calontir, modernly Missouri, Iowa, Kansas, and part of Nebraska and Arkansas.

GREETINGS TO THE BELOVED POPULACE OF MAG MOR
from your chronicler, Etienne Bluet:

Since our most excellent Baron is out of town I'm inserting a comment here on my own part extolling the most recent Lilies experience. Although our Lilies garden was most thoroughly watered we survived even the final weather burst at the end. Recent announcements from their majesties on the Calonlist indicate awards that would have been handed out in Saturday's court will still be presented at upcoming events.

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L. Etienne Bluet
Interim Chronicler

Greetings unto the populace of Mag Mor
from your seneschal, Natalya.

Though I grow old and weary, I still have the strength to carry on in my office until the upcoming Cattle Raids. Then will I hand over the keys to our fair Barony to my successor, Seraphina. I hope you will all treat her well and with respect and endure her exhortations as you have endured mine.

I do hope that all who went to the Lilies War returned safely and with happy memories of that event. I look forward to hearing about all your adventures.

Cattle Raids will soon be upon us and it is time to step up and volunteer for your share as we host the kingdom to this annual event. Mag Mor has a reputation for hospitality that we should be proud of, but we need to work at keeping. Please contact Etienne, the event steward, to volunteer.

Best wishes,
Natalya

Lilies War from the Perspective of a 9-year-old:

This recent Lilies War was the first full week of "war" for Nels Mikjalson. He had the luxury of joining in many activities since there was no break in the Lilies fun time for him. The children's activities were stellar. Nels attended Kestrel Page School and learned so much about the SCA. In fact, he began badgering Mikhail about the lack of Peerage regalia on Mikhail's person after his lesson on what a Peer wears to show his/her status. Nels is not convinced that everyone knows Mikhail and his Peerages and is very concerned that all should be in the know on this. Nels completed his Page School and nailed the Thursday quiz given by his Page School mentor, Robert (known by the children as "Bobbles"). Among the many things he learned about the SCA, he also got to play in the clay, make a water clock, make a fighter favor, learn stage directions for theater, and sing songs.

We spent 3 mornings on the archery line during the children's shoots. On Tuesday, Nels shot the "Attacking Soldiers" shoot and represented Mag Mor handily with his new wooden arrows. On Wednesday, he shot the "Picking Apples" shoot and again represented our faire Barony very well both in the shooting of apples and in the thrown weapons category (where he mopped up the competition). Thursday morning, Bobbles informed him that his name had been called on the archery field for something, he wouldn't say for what, but he did say congratulations. That afternoon, Nels located the person in charge and learned that he'd tied for first place in the overall kids' shoots. He was awarded a leather quiver and 6 arrows. He walked on the clouds the rest of the week! His final shoot, the "treasure hunt", on the final Saturday won him a coveted wooden box, a bell, and a hobby horse (the horse he politely declined). Needless to say, he brought home a lot of loot from the war.

Nels also participated in His Excellency Hirsch's Children's Boffer Tourney. After working himself up through the winner's tree, he found himself face to face with a young man who had armed himself with sword and shield against Nels' florentine. After legging his opponent, Nels was befuddled by the young man's "turtle defense". He just couldn't figure out how to get through around the shield. Eventually, Nels lost, but placed 3rd in his division (which was determined by size rather than age....a wise choice on HE Hirsch's part). Nels was very excited about his participation and loved fighting with 2 swords. Perhaps it's time to consult with HE Semjaka?

Nels also sponsored a fighter for the Children's Tournament, Sir Albrecht's new squire, Johan, who fought his way valiantly through the winner tree and then came up against opponents with more EPS (Experience Points) than himself. Nels made sure his fighter was well attended and was very excited to witness each bout. The fighters for the tournament were well-inspired and showed great skill during the tournament. I dare say that this tournament is more heartily fought than some Crown Tourneys I've witnessed!

During Nels' spare time (what little there was....his social calendar is heavy even during Lilies!), he enjoyed playing with his new friends, helping out with Luther and Kane, and exploring the site. He even managed to avoid getting any ticks! He's already talking about the tent and rope bed he wants for next Lilies. It was a good war.

~Vasilla ©

The Barony of Mag Mor Presents
Cattle Raids

Homeward Bound

(It's the end of the Viking era;
we want to hear all the stories and see the plunder.)
August 27-29, 2010



St John's Lutheran Church
717 238th Street
Marquette, NE 68854

Site opens at 6pm Friday and closes at 11am Sunday

Site fee: \$10.00 Non-member surcharge \$5.00

Children under 13 free

Family cap \$36.00 (does not include non-member surcharge)

Make checks payable to SCA, Inc Barony of Mag Mor

This is a camping event, and there is ample space for tent camping, free of charge. No pets, no alcohol.

A 12th century East European Feast is planned, details TBA

There are many activities planned for the day:

Fighting
Bardic

Archery

Children's activities
An Inn for lunch

A&S – Natalya is sponsoring “Viking Plunder”; anything the Vikings might have brought home from their journeys. Zino is sponsoring a “Viking Sagas” Bardic challenge.

Merchants are welcome. There is no fee, please bring your own tables.

Directions to site: Take your best route to Aurora, Nebraska. From I-80 Exit 332, through Aurora, go on Hwy 14 eleven miles, turn east at Marquette intersection 3 miles, then ¼ mile south to church site on your left. Look for the lovely red-roofed white church at the top of the hill that last mile and follow the SCA signs.

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Arts & Sciences meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, and Moot (the business meeting) on the 2nd Wednesday. The 4th Wednesday will be a social gathering with treats. All begin at 6:30pm and are usually held at Walt Library, 5701 S. 14th Street, Lincoln – just north of Southwest High School.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4	5	6 Fighter Practice	7 A&S Archery	8	9	10 Crown Tourney
11	12	13 Fighter Practice	14 Moot Archery	15	16	17 Raid or Trade
18	19	20 Fighter Practice	21 A&S Archery	22	23	24 Feast of Eagles
25	26	27 Fighter Practice	28 Social Archery	29	30	31 Pennsic