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dans Sable

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Fontaine dans Sable

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MAKE MERRY IN MANCOS

Greetings to the populace of the Barony of Fontaine dans Sable from your cousins up north Shire Rio de las Animas. We are again preparing for the Mancos Renaissance Fair on June 28th and 29th.

As in the past we are asking for your assistance in this endeavor and hopefully we will show you a grand time.

Entertainment is planned late into the evening on Saturday night, there will be more food vendors and merchants-and for all that visited the Pie booth last year, you will be glad to know that they are planning on upping their supply and variety.

All SCA members will be given free camping and admittance into the Fair as they are charging this year. We will supply site tokens to all SCA members that will gain you admittance for the duration of the fair. As last year, period tents will be in the foreground and mundane tents in the rear. Please remember to bring river ware to take advantage of the cool water.

If you are planning to camp, please get me your tent sizes and space needed as soon as possible. Include measurements with the ropes.

The general public will not be allowed to bring the dogs however SCA folks can have their dogs with them as long as they are continually attached to a person and show something indicating they are a performer's (SCA) pet. Set up is Friday the 27th. You may drop off supplies early Saturday and Sunday morning though all vehicles will be off the park grounds by 9:00am. And behind the scenes tear down can begin late Sunday afternoon though Ren Officials request that actual tear down doesn't start until 4:01pm on Sunday.

Mistress Royce will be coordinating the fighting this year and is working on scenarios. Please let both Mistress Royce and myself know if you will be fighting and in Heavy or Lights as soon as you can. We have two Heavy demos on Saturday and one on Sunday, One light weapons demo on each day.

Archery will be ongoing as there is interest and someone is there to answer questions and demonstrate the different bows.

Page school will take place twice on Saturday and once on Sunday as last year and we are busy making sure that all kids have something to take home.

I will have a complete schedule of events as soon as it s sent to me. There is more entertainment this year and please don t forget the Human Chess Tournament. Anyone wanting to volunteer to be a certain board piece, let us know ahead of time.

If anyone has any suggestions or ideas that will make your visit more comfortable this year please let me know, we may already be working on it or might be able to oblige. Also you may have ideas that we haven t thought of yet. Remember hats, sunscreen, hats, sunscreen-water-sunscreen.

We want to thank the Barony again for all the help that you continually give us.

In Service,
Leona

Greetings Populace of Fontaine

As summer approaches so does camping season. I wish everyone an enjoyable season. If it is your first time, please get with any of the seasoned campers and they will be glad to assist you in what you might need to camp.

Warders is fast approaching...doesn't seem like it, but it is. Please assist our Autocrat, Lord Lochlan in any way he needs your help. It takes ALL of Fontaine to put this event on.

Lord Anthony and I have returned from California....what an INCREDIBLE trip.

Glad to be home...

In Gracious & Loyal Service

Lady Julianne Journe'

Seneschal

Barony of Fontaine dans Sable

GREETINGS FONTAINE!!!

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK LADY AILI, LORD SORIN AND RIAN FOR FIGHTING AT GRAND OUTLANDISH. THOSE OF US WHO DID HAD AN OUTLANDISHLY GOOD TIME. THE FONTAINE TEAM DID REALLY WELL IN THE BURNING SHIP TOURNAMENT, MAKING IT INTO THE SEMI-FINALS. WAY TO GO TEAM!!!

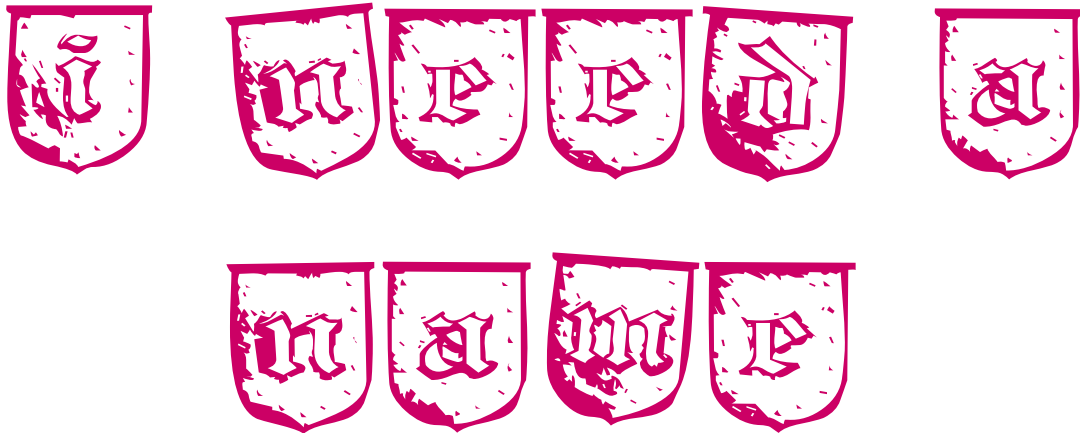
I WAS VERY GLAD TO GET A CHANCE TO FIGHT AGAINST PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE KINGDOM. IN MY OPINION, IT IS THE BEST WAY TO LEARN I WOULD HIGHLY ENCOURAGE ALL RAPIER FIGHTERS TO FIGHT AS MUCH AS THEY CAN AT EVENTS. SOMETIMES YOU MAY NOT DO AS WELL AS YOU WOULD LIKE, BUT YOU WILL ALWAYS LEARN.

SPEAKING OF LEARNING, THERE IS NO TIME LIKE THE PRESENT TO LEARN HOW TO FIGHT RAPIER! I WOULD LIKE TO ENCOURAGE ANYONE WHO HAS NEVER ATTEMPTED LIGHT WEAPONS TO COME ON OUT TO THE FIELD AND LEARN WHY IT IS THAT WE RAPIER FIGHTERS LOVE IT SO MUCH!

I WILL SEE YOU AT KIWANIS PARK AT TWO O' CLOCK!

IN SERVICE TO THE BARONY,

THL ANGUS REID MACFARLANE
BARONIAL RAPIER MARSHAL
FONTAINE DANS SABLE



Our fine Barony has a new member. Some of you may have seen him at Grand Outlandish. You may have even helped rescue him from the stockades of al-Barran.

This good gentle is in search of a name. He is at a loss and is in need of help from the Barony.

If you have a suggestion for a name please send it to chronicler@fontainesca.org

I will post a poll to the Fontaine list towards the end of the month, so be on the look out and vote for the best name.

YiS,
Lady Louie

Greetings unto the populace of the most
favored lands of the Black Fountain

As some of you may have noticed I have been
able to update the Baronial
website this means that the spider may crawl
and find little bits of
information to feed upon again While you
journey through your lives
if you stumble across the spiders web and
happen to view our website
and see anything that is in need of repair
please let me know and I
will try to update it as soon as possible

In service to the Outlands
Lord Geoffrey Thatcher

GNOME RULES

please be respectful of the protector of the gnome. do not enter their tent and destroy their belongings in an attempt to steal the gnome.

if duty unexpectedly calls the protector away. respect that duty. don't take the gnome. however, if the gnome is simply left unguarded, by all means take care of the gnome.

the gnome should attend sca functions with it's protector, especially camping events. at camping events the gnome can not be secreted away. he likes to go out and socialize.

please treat the gnome with the respect you would give any member of this fine barony.

any person may offer challenge unto the protector of the gnome. the current protector must accept the challenge or forfeit the right to protect the gnome. the current protector will set the terms of the challenge.

challenges do not have to be on the martial arts fields.

the list table is **holy ground!** if the gnome is left in the care of the list mistress he can not be stolen.

Grand Outlandish was a lot of fun for me!

I would like to thank Lady Dairine for transporting me to the event. In his haste to leave, Angus managed to leave me behind, which really hurt my feelings, but lets face it, this is pretty much par for course for that guy.

Once I arrived on site, I participated in many Outlandish activities. I admittedly spent a lot of time just hanging out with all of my gnomies, but I did have an opportunity to watch Her Excellency Ceara shoot a few rounds at the archery range. I thought about asking her if I could join (and form) a subset of her guard for Gnomeland Security, but decided that this was not the most proper time to ask her, as she was engaged in aiding their Royal Majesties in their shooting.

While at the event, I did manage to get myself into a small bit of trouble. After I spent some time dueling in the Outlandish Blade tournament (I lost to the victor of the tourney, Lord Logan), Don Charles offered me some of his Scotch (to celebrate making it to the final round!), and I admittedly had more than my share. Lets face it, when you are under a foot tall, it doesn't take much.

After my drink, I was stumbling around and was trying to find a good place to sit. I decided that the best place to view court was from what I consider to be the front row in a chair that looked oddly familiar. Suddenly, I found myself surrounded by Fontaine Guard!!! I'm not sure why they got so bent out of shape. After all, no one actually TOLD me that the Baronial Thrones were off limits. Oh well.

In another incident, I was wandering with Lady Aili and others when I decided to smoke a little from my gnomish pipe. It had recently rained and I felt that the danger of fire had past. Well, to my astonishment, I was spotted by the Autocrat and was

dragged by no fewer than twenty guards (I'm deceptively strong) before His Excellency Greggor, the Baron of Al-Barran!!! He told me that as Lord JT had promised, that I would spend time in the Stockades for knowingly breaking the Baronial Law of Al-Barran.

Luckily, I did not spend too much time in the stockades before Her Excellency Ceara and His Lordship Angus secured my release.

Other than that, I had an Outlandishly good time (I even managed to sit in on the Stag meeting!! It is always fun to see all of my friends from Fontaine and the rest of the Kingdom. Although I really wish I had a name so that I could properly introduce myself! Oh Well. I guess that's all for now!

Until Next Time!!!

The As of Yet Unnamed Gnome
Order of the Even Smaller Fountain
Order of the Guardians of the Gnoasis
Fontaine dans Sable

THE MONKS' GAZ:

Fencing Monks???

- The Angus Reid MacFarlane

One of the earliest known fencing manuals (the only one older was written by the del Serpent brothers and was lost to history after World War I) was written, believe it or not, by a monk! This manuscript is the earliest surviving manual and was written in approximately 1300.

The manuscript, titled *Rechtbuch 133* (and more commonly referred to as "manuscript one-thirty-three") was originally created with ink and watercolor and depicted pairs of unarmored fighters (at least one of which is a monk) engaging in a variety of swordplay including cuts, thrusts, parries, and disarming moves. The fighters are shown delivering strikes to the head, body, hands, shins, ankles, and feet. I guess that means that sniping feet is period! Although depicting a variety of attacks and parries, the fighters always utilize sword and buckler throughout the text.

Interestingly enough, this book did not come out of Italy, Spain (or from teachers of those nationalities in England), or even France. Instead, this work comes out of medieval Germany. While the fencing manual used German words for technical terms, there is explanatory text beneath each illustration in Latin. *Rechtbuch 133* was discovered in a Franconian monastery and was recently translated into English by Dr. Jeffrey Singman, curator at the Higgins Armor museum.

RESOURCES:

<http://www.thehaca.com/Manuals/i33/i33.htm>

<http://www.fencingzn.co.za/history.htm>

Baronial Calendar

June 2008

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Archery 10am Fighter Practice 2pm			Populace Meeting 7 pm Anthony B-Day			
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Archery 10am Fighter Practice 2pm		Beatrice B-Day			Lilies War XXII	
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Archery 10am Fighter Practice 2pm Tournaments Robert B-Day						
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Archery 10am Fighter Practice 2pm Lilies Ends			Officers Meeting 7pm		Quest for Valhalla	Mancos Ren Faire
29	30					
Archery 10am Fighter Practice 2pm Valhalla Ends Mancos Ren Faire	Dogan B-Day					

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Fontaine Belly Dancers' List: fontainebellydancers@yahoo.groups.com
Outlands' Website: <http://www.outlands.org>
SCA Website: <http://sca.org>

Letters for Toy Box are open

Letters for 12th Night are open

Lilies War XXII is June 13-22 in the Kingdom of Calontir

Quest for Valhalla in al-Barran is June 27-29

Mancos Ren Faire is June 28 & 29

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