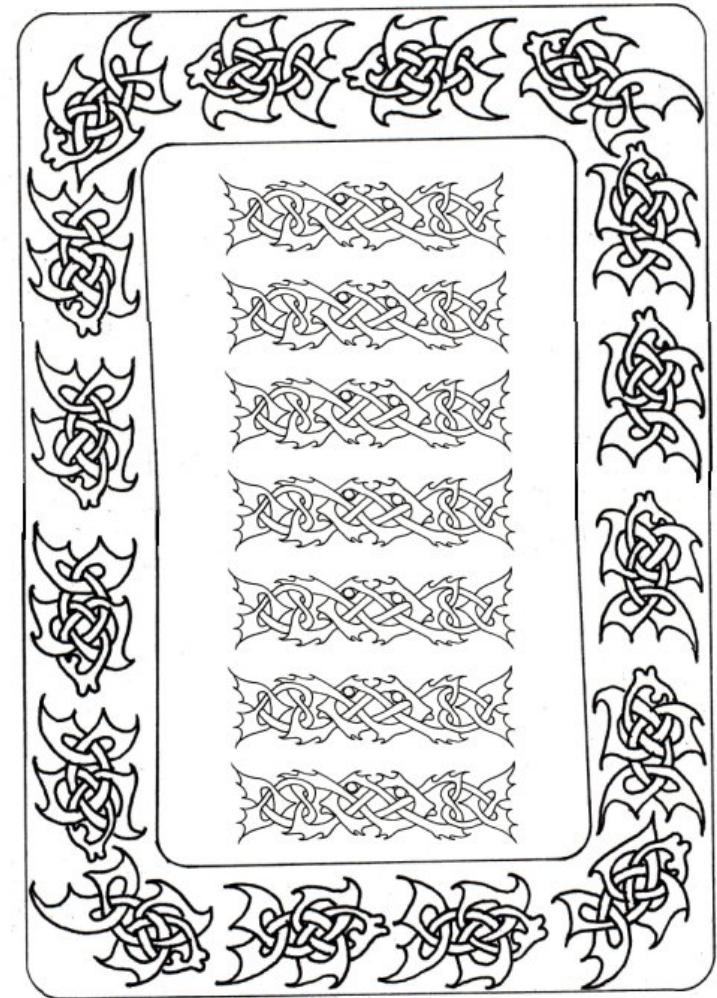




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Monthly Meeting: First or second Sunday of the month at the Nest in Tomah

BARONIAL MEETINGS, GUILDS, AND CONTACTS

Please call the contact person to verify when & where an activity is held!

Archery Practice UW Stock Pavilion Sun 12-2PM, Wed. 6:30-9PM.

Contact: Lady Jois (Deena) 226-0846, Lady Sirona (Vicki) 241-7534

Armoured Combat UW Stock Pavilion Wed. 7-10PM, Sunday 2-4PM

Contact: Stephen du Bois (Stephen Ward) sward1@chartermi.net

Armormaking Tuesdays 7PM. 3314 Ridgeway Avenue

Contact: Master Giles (Ed Gilbert) 244-2845, horsebows@mail.madtown.net

Bardic Night: Fourth Sunday, 6-8PM, Escape Java Joint, 916 Williamson St

Contact Ingrid the Crafty (Ingrid Stark) 249-8795, ingridthecrafty@yahoo.com; or

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Brewing & Vintning Third Monday. Various locations (call for info)

Contact: Robert the Stout (Robert Trefz) 441-6150, rtrefz@tds.net

Calligraphy & Illumination Tuesdays 7PM. Call for location

Contact: Lady Eile (Alicia Cronk) 250-4595, leleth.faery@yahoo.com

Clothier's Guild Alternate Mondays, 7PM. Contact for location and dates.

Contact: Iohanna (A. Rebekah Turner) 957-9072, arebekah@gmail.com

Cordial Guild First Tuesday 7:30PM Contact for location

Contact: Lady Cianna Kharleen (Carrie Wilkey) 846-8008, cianna@teadame.com

Equestrian (not currently active but information available)

Contact: Alissende de Montfaucon (Tammy Thompson) 212-5433, alissende@centurytel.net

European Dance Sundays 3PM. UW Campus—check TITU for room.

Contact: Lady Thea

Fletching Fridays 6:30PM (call ahead) 5418 Imagine

Contact: Lord Toussaint de Caluwe (Tyson Patterson) 838-4092

Fool's Guild Alternate Wednesday 6:30PMish, UW Stock Pavilion.

Contact: Lady Aliénor Hathaway (Mariessa Dobrick) 658-8941, reesa83@aol.com

General Business Meeting Usually 1st Sunday, 7PM, Edgewood College,

Predolin Hall — call to verify meeting date and location.

Contact: Robert the Stout (Robert Trefz) 441-6150, rtrefz@tds.net

Instrumental Music Mondays 7PM-Beginners, 8PM-Advanced.

UW Campus—Check TITU

Contact: Lord Nikolaus der Ausländer (Clint Hotaling) 846-0859, n_auslander@hotmail.com

Middle Eastern Dance and Drumming Wednesday 8:15pm, UW Stock Pavilion

Contact: Lady Kenya (Heather Cushing) 298-0103, evilkenya@tds.net

Needlearts Tuesdays 7:30. Call for location

Contact: Ivan (John Beebe) 298-0918

Rapier Practice Wednesday 6:30-9PM, UW Stock Pavilion

Contact: Rosa de la Mer

Social Practice Wednesday 9PMish Irish Waters on University Ave

Contact: HE Eithni (Jean Hetzel) 628-7782

Thrown Weapons Sundays Noon, Second Wednesdays 7PM, UW Stock Pavilion.

Contact: Vacant

Vocal Music Thursdays 7 PM UW Campus—Check TITU

Contact: Lady Aliénor Hathaway (Mariessa Dobrick) 658-8941, reesa83@aol.com

EPISTLE FROM THE BARONESS

Greetings unto the Populace of Jararvellir from Baroness Eithni ingen Talorgain!

I have returned from the great Pennsic War, and I think I may be completely dry by the end of September! This was an exceptionally wet year, with few if any days of the War Week without at least a sprinkle or two. Many battles were postponed due to rain and some activities were cancelled altogether. However, soggy fun was still to be had, especially under the great Northshield pavilion. While the pavilion had become damaged in a windstorm at Warriors and Warlords, Lance von Windhaven, our fearless mayor, and several other gentles conspired and toiled hard to make certain it was repaired in to me to be used at War. Vivant to Lance and his helpers! Congratulations are also due to several of our own – Trystan der Facheltrager was welcomed into the order of the White Scarf, Aethelwath of Northumbria received his AoA, Karl von Frettchenburg and Henry of Bexly each received the Griffon's Sword, and Eliane Halevy received a Queen's Cypher.

The War now past, it is time to turn our eyes to the future and, in particular, to the new influx of students the autumn brings. The next two Wednesdays, September 12 and 19, we will be having Library Mall demos from 5ish to darkish. Please join us with an art, science, or martial activity to share with the passers-by! We will also likely have several more demos this fall and the Newcomers' Moot as well, so please keep your eyes and ears open for details as they become available.

And now I must bid you adieu – this evening I ride north to witness the Coronation of our new King and Queen, Hagan and Eilis. I am very much looking forward to the coming months, as they are promoting the early Irish period during their reign. Please feel free to contact me if you are interested in learning more about the period or would like some instructions for making appropriate garb for the reign. I am more than happy to spread the early period madness!

Yours in Fishy Service~

eithni ingen TALORGAIN

SEPTEMBER GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

In attendance: Robert the Stout, Eithni ingen Talorgain, Sol, Marian Elizabeth Wollenschläger, Nikolaus der Ausländer, Annora le Spindlere, Ivan, Tatiana McGowan, James, Fiona the Younger, Stephen du Bois, Raito, Aesa, Cosimo, Reinholdt von Trollenhagen, Mikkel Daansson, John Bartholomew of Flanders, and Ermina.

Vote for the Exchequer position (Robert): Tatiana volunteered to take this position, and after a last call for other candidates, the group voted **[No other candidates, Tatiana voted as new exchequer]**. Changeover will occur October 1. Tatiana will file the next quarterly report.

WW profits discussion (Robert): Any remaining funds in this account were to have reverted to Jararvellir's general fund at September 1st, 2007. An addendum was proposed due to recent events: Addendum: Funds will not revert to Jararvellir's general fund until such a time as the Barony decides to close the holding account. The status of the holding account will be reviewed by the Barony yearly, or as needed. **[Voted accepted as read]**

Newcomer's Demo (Robert—presented for Wren): Proposed newcomers moot to be in October at Press House, and requests \$100 budget, with feast at \$3 per person. Last year was \$75. **[Voted aye, autocrated by Wren, Reinholdt to run feast]**

Advertising for "It's only a flesh wound" (Stephen): Proposed the ad be increased to full page for 2 months in Northwatch, for \$120 cost. After discussion, vote was for increase the advertising budget by \$60 to be used as the autocrat sees fit.

High Seat (Eithni): War was wet. I'm assembling a gift basket for Windhaven's 30th. Bring gifts to include.

Archer's Brunch (Sol): The archers brunch on 9/16 will be pooled with regional fighters and an open house. Watch the Jara list for detail.

Additional Information:

In the event of bad weather, the Archer's Brunch will be followed by arrow making and other projects, until folks want to head home...

For those attending the Brunch, we will have cooking facilities available (either camp stoves in the park, or Jack's kitchen).

For those interested in combat archery, the Cheshire Archers will be practicing, and gentles will be able to try shooting combat arrows as well. We have loaner bows. Note we will *not* be shooting regular archery, just combat arrows.

We hope you can join us some time during the day for fun and fighting on a lovely fall day...!

IMPORTANT NOTE ON PARKING—Jack's street (Colby St) is currently under construction. To find parking, you should either travel to Lakeside Street (north end of the block) or Van Duesen street (south end of the block). Jack's Place is halfway along the block, with a large garden area out front. It is two houses down from the school on the corner of Colby and Van Duesen (which is kitty corner from the park area).

Questions? Contact Jack at 257-1082 (home) or 658-5802 (cell)

Directions to Jack's Place (1110 Colby St, Madison):

FROM THE NORTH/EAST—Make your best route to John Nolen Drive heading South from the downtown area. John Nolen runs across Monona Bay for about half a mile, and then the first light is at Lakeside. Turn right (west) onto Lakeside, and follow directions below for the park area or the house (depending on weather)

FROM THE SOUTH/WEST—Make your best route to the Beltline (US 14/18/151) to the John Nolen Drive exit. Proceed North on John Nolen to the third stoplight (at Lakeside), and turn left (West) onto Lakeside, and follow directions below for the park area or the house (depending on weather).

DIRECTIONS FOR THE PARK—For the best parking near the park area, once on Lakeside take an immediate left (just after the railroad tracks) onto Sayle St (by the VFW). Follow Sayle to the end of the block, the road curves and becomes Van Duesen St. You will see the park area on the left. Proceed forward and find parking as close to the activities as you can.

DIRECTIONS FOR THE HOUSE—Once on Lakeside, take the third left (one block after Colby St, where the construction is) onto Homer Ct. Take Homer one block and turn left onto Van Duesen. Find parking as best you can. Jack's place is nearby - turn left at the school on the corner and it's the second house on the left. **One last note: Please use the side door for the house.**

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Directions:

1. From Interstate 90/94 (or highway 12/16 in Camp Douglas) take the Camp Douglas exit (Interstate Exit # 55)
2. Turn north towards the Main Gate of Volk Field ANG base
3. After about 100', turn east (right) on County highway "C"
4. Go about 2 1/2 miles to stop sign
5. Turn right (south) on 6th Ave
6. Go 6/10ths mile and turn left (east) into my driveway
7. Large pale yellow-siding house with steep, green roof, just before the first trees on left (east). Red reflectors flank the driveway. (You can see my house from the stop sign.)

JARARVELLIR ARTILLERY BRUNCH CHESHIRE ARCHERS GATHERING AND REGIONAL FIGHTERS PRACTICE

Sunday, September 16 at 10:30am

The good gentles of Jararvellir and any and all neighbors are invited to join us for fun, fighting, combat archery, and whatever else you can think of at the home of John Bartholomew of Flanders (called Jack) (1110 Colby St).

Planned activities include: Artillery Brunch in the morning, followed by Combat Archery Drill/Practice, making Combat Arrows, and a Potluck dinner. We're also open to anything else folks can think of.

Schedule:

9:30-10:30am Setup

10:30-11:30 Artillery Brunch — The traditional Jara Artillery Brunch, held at the open field down the street from Jack's house.

11:30-2:30pm Combat Archery Drill/Practice — Gathering at the park down the street, folks can shoot to their heart's delight. Since this is a practice, we can even have non-armored folks take part as well...!

11:30- ?? Regional Fighter Practice — Armored and Rapier combatants are invited to join us in the nearby park. There is plenty of space for everyone.

2:30-3:30 Post-fighting break for Cheshire Archers — Down time for folks to get out of armor and clean up.

3:30-6:00 Arrow Making — We've got the materials for another 100 Combat arrows, we just have to put them together - and the fastest way to do that is as a group!

6:00-8:00 Potluck Dinner/Cookout

8:00- ?? Hang out — If anyone still wants to hang out, we have a fire pit...

Music Guild (Nikolaus): The guild has 3 new members. There will be music at Flesh Wound.

Needlearts (Ivan): Needlearts continues to meet.

Barnes&Noble Gft Wrapping (Tatiana): Asked for guidance for selecting a weekend for gift wrapping at Barnes & Noble. She'll check 12/15 and 12/16, see which is available and report next month.

Demos (Reinholdt): Please come out to the library mall demos the next 2 Wednesdays and next Sunday.

Knights Marshall (Stephen): I will be at Wednesday's Mall Demo after 5:30. Nobody swing a stick 'till I get there. I'll find a stand-in marshal for the 19th. The quarterly marshal report was in a week before deadline. I'm still hunting for a replacement marshal.

WW (Aesa): WW next year will be on 7/10 – 7/13 if the traditional dates are kept. There are several road-weary heroes out looking for sites large enough, and if the perfect site is found but is unavailable for that timeframe, more discussion may be needed. We're hoping to fill all staff positions by 1/19/08.

Rapoer (Cosimo): I'm a rapier marshal and will be at Wednesday's demo on time. 5 'till dark.

Demos (Annora): There are demos on the 12th and 19th. The more people to generate interest, the better. No More info about the Boy Scout demo in Oct. Sara would like a fighting demo at Geek-con (10/6). We have a table for student faire – I need to talk with Ren for papers to distribute – Tuesday is the event. It starts at 5:00 at the Kohl center.

Sol: Wren has a stack of flyers she'll get to Amy.

Combat Archery Seminar (Raito): I'm interested in setting up a combat archery seminar for this winter. I'm thinking of making it a regional practice in January or February, not November or December. I'll look at spacing it around Flesh Wound. I want to keep it on the radar. I'll check with the stock pavilion coordinator, and try the day after Flesh Wound from 12 to 6 that Sunday.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OUTPOST OF WULFHOMM

The Outpost of Wulfhomm has disbanded. There were not enough active participants in the group to make it viable.

Robert The Stout
Seneschal, Barony of Jararvellir



NEXT GENERAL MEETING: OCTOBER 7, AT
7PM, EDGEWOOD COLLEGE

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Thrown Weapons Marshal — the Thrown Weapons Marshal is responsible for the safe set up and operation of the Barony's thrown weapon practices. The Marshal is also responsible for the Barony's thrown weapon equipment. You must either be a TW Marshal or MIT (or willing to become one) to hold this position. If interested, please contact John Bartholomew of Flanders (Jack) or Robert the Stout.

Deputy Knight Marshal — the Deputy Knight Marshal is responsible for assisting the Knight Marshal in overseeing fighting in the Barony. This includes running fight practices, and keeping records of the fighters in the Barony. You need to be either a Marshal or a Marshal in Training to hold this position. Contact Stephen Du Bois if you are interested.

ARCHERY PRACTICE

September 22-23

10 AM Saturday until 9 PM (dusk) on Sunday

(Note: If you are going to come on Saturday, please let Gille-Michael know by 9AM Saturday via home or cell phone. If you do not call, he will assume that no one is coming on Saturday)

Place:

Jim Allen's (Gille-Michael's) house
N 7384 6th Ave S.
New Lisbon, WI 53950
Call (608) 427 2098 for more info, if needed

Archery Specifics:

The site has four acres surrounded by farm land. We can safely accommodate up to 150 yards shooting.

Agenda:

1000 -- 2100 Archery practice.
1200 -- 1300 (ish) Picnic lunch / pot luck
2100 -- 1000 Saturday Night -- Dinner, drink, and general frivolity, singing, watching the birds, and boasting of our prowess

There are 2 full kitchens and 2 BBQs for anyone that wants to cook / warm up food. Please bring your own outside chair, the site has trestle tables and a 10x20 sunshade

Notes:

The site inhabitants include two 2 Newfoundland dogs. They are big and hairy and slobber *a lot!* They are very friendly, and *will* try to drool on you. If you are allergic or offended by doggy drool (let alone dog hair *everywhere*) you may want to reconsider coming. (Dog hair *is* a fashion accessory AND a condiment, don't you know)

A new addition to the family is a black cat.

I also have ticks, but haven't seen too many lately

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NEEDLEARTS GATHERINGS

I'm relatively new to the society, and find that I'm shy about interrupting someone in the middle of their work and asking them to teach me their art. My main interest is in needle arts and fiber arts. I've been learning a little at a time as I attend Needle Arts Guild weekly meetings, and I want to encourage others to come take up the challenge. So, I'm starting a new tradition in conjunction with the Needle Arts Guild, and with Ivan's gracious encouragement. Each month, I'll be hosting Needle Arts Guild's meeting on the 2nd Tuesday.

The populace of Jararvellir is hereby invited to 2nd Tuesdays at Ermina's, which will be a gathering where there will be an opportunity to get a taste of/learn some facet of needle arts. Come one come all who work in needlearts! People watching others work and then trying it themselves often take on new skills.

October will see Moira teaching Two Easy Stitches, with which she does beautiful embroidered figures. November we hope to have AElf and Moira show us how to knit socks.

If you are planning to come, please call Ermina at (608) 338-5897, as there is a limit on the number of students, which limit can be expanded if others are willing to join Ivan for the hands-on coaching portion. We have plenty of tables and chairs so please feel welcome to come enjoy the company of needleworkers. We have no pets, but both Reinholdt and I smoke in the house; we won't smoke inside while this meeting is happening, but the residue remains. Also, I regret to inform that the house has staircases between any parking and the public rooms, so wheelchairs are not accommodated.

In service,
Ermina (mka Bettymae)

BLACKFOX AWARD NOMINEES

Every year, the Kingdom nominates candidates for the prestigious Known World chroniclers' William Blackfox awards. Among the nominees from Northshield this year were our Canton's newsletter *The Forest Watch* (for best layout and best design) and Lady Ingrid the Crafty and the *Skein* for best artwork for the cover of the May 2007 issue.



For more information on the nominees and the winners see <http://www.sca.org/officers/chronicler/blackfox-awards41.html>.

DEAR TRYSTAN

Dear Trystan,

"Heralds! What good are they!?"

--John the Un-named

Dear John the Un-named,

Now now, Goodman John, one should not be quick to critique the Heraldic college simply because no one understands what it is that they do in their secret cloisters. Or their craft. Or pretty much anything that comes out of their mouths, for that matter, but that's not important. The heralds fill a role in our society and serve many purposes towards its betterment.

To whit:

-They cry announcements on a regular basis- information that a recognizable fraction of any given gathering is actually keen to hear while the rest of us receive excellent practice in reconfiguring our broken concentrations.

-They proffer amusement to those gathered at court, as we are privileged to observe the highly imaginative ways in which they butcher the names of our loved ones and neighbors during award presentations.

-Their amplified synopsis of each of their Majesties' awards and edicts wakes us up just long enough to clap politely and pretend that we actually heard the whole mumbled affair.

-And furthermore getting one's name past the heralds

LIBRARY MALL DEMOS

September 12 and 19

Our Library Mall demos will be held on Wednesday, September 12th and 19th. We will start around 5 but even if you can't be there right at 5 please come when you can. We will go until it starts to get dark, which is around 7:30.

Due to the fact that we utilize UW campus resources, student members are VERY important to our group. So PLEASE come out to help recruit new student members! There is no fighter practice either of the evenings. Fighters are a good draw as they create a lot of attention. However, musicians and other artisans are also encouraged to come and display your talents. We also need people to hand out flyers and answer questions. The more the merrier!

OTHER UPCOMING DEMOS

In addition, we have been contacted for a couple of demos in October as well. Our very own Sarah the Foole is helping to organize Geek.kon the weekend of October 6 & 7 (also to be held on the UW campus, in the Humanities building) and has asked us to participate. It would be nice if we could get some fighters for this event, though we've not nailed down exactly how we will be participating yet. Also, we are in the process of talking with a Boy Scout troop for a demo in the evening on Monday, October 8. If you are willing or able to help out with any of these demos please contact Annora le Spindlere, Jararvellir Demo Coordinator.

EVENTS

OUT AND ABOUT

For more information visit the individual group's website (easily accessed from <http://www.northshield.org/events/>).

September 2007

21-23—**Siege the Day III**,
Shattered Oak (Hixton WI)
29—**30th Baronial Birthday**
Celebration, Windhaven
(Green Bay WI)

October 2007

6—**Reapers Revel**, Rockwall
(Johnstown WI)

December 2007

8—**Boar's Head: A Boar's Tale**,
Caer Anterth Mawr (West Bend
WI)

February 2008

23—**Fighter's School**, Windhaven
(Kimberly WI)

LOCAL NEWS

STOCK PAVILION SCHEDULE

We do NOT have the Stock Pavilion on September 12, 16, or 19. We also do not have the site on November 11, 14, and December 2. On other dates, we have our regular dates and times. The official schedule can be found at:

<http://www.ansci.wisc.edu/Facilities/stockp.htm>

stands as an important right of passage for the SCA. Very much like the rite of circumcision for young men in tribal societies. As a new, fresh-faced SCAdian you approach the heralds, research in hand and hope for a promising future as a medievalist in your heart. You try to stiffen your resolve, but with a few deft and incisive strokes the heralds reduce you to a crumpled, whimpering mess on the floor. Finally, after correcting your mistakes, they present you with your "reworked" name, in a language that you don't quite understand, but which you secretly suspect translates as "loser".

-And finally, the college of heralds serves as a critical and necessary sanctuary for those with few skills outside of nitpicking AS LOUDLY AS HUMANLY POSSIBLE- thus keeping them off the streets and well away from the weak of heart and easily frightened small ones.

Hope that was helpful, John- now stand tall and go get yourself a surname. Try Jean la Perdant if you want a nice Norman feel, or John los Perdedor for its playful Spanish flavor. Trust me.

In service,

DON TRYSTAN DER
FACHELTRAERER, THEE MOST
WYCKED SHERIFF IN ALL OF
JARARVELLIR

Having trouble pronouncing Trystan's name? Do you have a question for Trystan? Let him know, write to Trystan c/o the Chronicler (Paul Goldschmidt, 5625 Highland Way, Middleton WI 53562, chronicler@jararvellir).

THE ANTI-CALENDAR

(A listing of events that have already happened)

Compiled by Reinholdt von Trollenhagen

- September 1, 1532: Lady Anne Boleyn is created Marchioness of Pembroke by her fiancée, King Henry VIII of England
- September 3, 1189: Richard the Lionheart crowned king of England in Westminster.
- September 4, 925: Athelstan crowned King of England. First elected king of Wessex and Mercia, Athelstan was crowned king of the entire country at Kingston.
- 1260: The Senese Ghibellines, supported by the forces of King Manfred of Sicily, defeat the Florentine Guelphs at Montaperti.
- September 7, 1191: Third Crusade: Battle of Arsuf - Richard I of England defeats Saladin at Arsuf.
- September 8, 1449: Battle of Tumu Fortress - Mongolians capture the Chinese emperor.
- 1514: Battle of Orsha - In one of the biggest battles of the century, Belarussians and Poles defeat the Russian army.
- 1565: The Knights of Malta lift the Turkish siege of Malta (it started on May 18).
- September 9, 1087: William the Conqueror dies near Rouen, France.
- 1513: James IV of Scotland is defeated and dies in the Battle of Flodden Field, ending Scotland's involvement in the War of the League of Cambrai.
- September 11, 1297: Battle of Stirling Bridge. In this battle, William Wallace scored a surprising victory for the Scots against the English over tremendous odds.
- September 15, 1556: Vlissingen ex-emperor Charles V returns to Spain.
- 1584: San Lorenzo del Escorial Palace in Madrid is finished.
- September 17, 1394: King Charles VI of France orders all Jews expelled from France.
- 1577: Peace of Bergerac signed between Henry III of France and the Huguenots.
- September 18, 1180: Philip II Becomes King. Upon the death of his father, Philip Augustus of France became sole king.
- September 20, 1378: Western Schism Begins. The Avignon Papacy came to an end when Pope Gregory XI returned the Papal See to Rome, then died before he could return to France. A Roman was elected to succeed him and took the name Urban VI. Urban was so hostile to the cardinals, who had achieved considerable power during the papacy's years in France, that thirteen members of the Sacred College went into conclave and chose another pope. This

antipope took the name of Clement VII and took up residence at Avignon, beginning a schism that was characterized by the simultaneous administrations of two (and later three) popes, and which would last nearly 40 years.

September 22, 1598: Ben Jonson is indicted for manslaughter.

September 23, 1122: Concordat of Worms.

1529: The Siege of Vienna begins as Suleiman II begins his attack on the city.

September 24, 1493: Christopher Columbus departs on his second expedition to the New World.

September 25, 1066: Battle of Stanford Bridge. The last Viking battle on English soil claimed the lives of Harald Hardrada and the brother of King Harold of England, Tostig. It also delayed Harold's arrival at Hastings, becoming a significant factor in the outcome of the Norman Conquest.

1396: Ottoman Emperor Beyazid I defeats a Christian army at the Battle of Nicopolis.

1555: Peace of Augsburg. Though only a temporary settlement, the Peace of Augsburg was the first permanent legal basis for the existence of Lutheranism as well as Catholicism in Germany.

September 27, 1540: The Society of Jesus (the Jesuits) receives its charter from Pope Paul III.

September 28, 995: Members of Slavník's dynasty - Spytimír, Pobraslav, Pořej and Čáslav are murdered by Boleslaus's son, Boleslaus II the Pious

1066: William the Conqueror invades England: the Norman Conquest begins.

1322: Louis IV, Holy Roman Emperor defeats Frederick I of Austria in the Battle of Mühldorf.

1542: Cabrillo Discovers California. Portuguese-born navigator and explorer Juan Cabrillo was the first European to encounter any part of California when he sailed into San Diego bay.

September 29, Michaelmas or the Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael. During the Middle Ages, Michaelmas was a great religious feast and many popular traditions grew up around the day, which coincided with the harvest in much of western Europe. In England it was the custom to eat a goose on Michaelmas, which was supposed to protect against financial need for the next year. In Ireland, finding a ring hidden in a Michaelmas pie meant that one would soon be married. It is one of the English, Welsh, and Irish quarter days (days on which servants were hired, and rents and rates were due.)

1364: Battle of Auray: English forces defeat French at Brittany; end of the Breton War of Succession