

# The Boar's Snore



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# February Events

- **Clothier's Seminar XXVII** - February 2

Location: Wheatridge Middle School

218 E Washington St, Gardner, KS 66030

Open: 8:15 AM to 6:30 PM Classes begin at 9:00 AM

Fees: \$10 for members \$15 for non members \$5 for ages 13-17

Children 12 and under free

HL Bridget Edan to be elevated to Laurel!

- **Heraldic, Scribal, & Dancing Symposium** - February 9-10

Location: Kirksville, MO

- **Chieftans** - February 23-24

Location: B'nai El Congregation

11411 N 40 Drive, St. Louis, MO 63131

Open: 8:00 AM to 10:00 PM

Fees: \$10 adults (\$5 non-member surcharge) \$5 ages 5-17

Children 0-4 years free

## Regularly scheduled Baronial Activities

- **Baronial A & S Meeting** – First Monday of the month at 7:00 pm.  
Located at the Community of Christ Church at 4504 Ashworth in West Des Moines, IA.
- **Baronial Fighter Practice** – 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm  
Located at Camp Dodge in Johnston, IA 50131
- **Baronial Archery Practice** – Every Thursday at 7:00 pm at Barefoot Traditions at 617 Euclid Ave Des Moines, IA (\$5.00 fee)
- **Baronial Bardic** – Second Monday of the month at 6:30 pm.  
Hosted by Kjarten Hreinsson and Ysoria Chaloner at 1087 28<sup>th</sup> Street Des Moines, IA
- **Baronial Court** – Third Monday of the Month 7:00 PM Located at the Community of Christ Church at 4504 Ashworth in West Des Moines, IA
- **Soiree avec les scribes du Sanglier** – Sunday of court week at 4:00 pm. Hosted by Julia de Bresca at 1513 64<sup>th</sup> Street Windsor Heights, IA Call (317) 989-2861 for instructions.

# **Regular Scheduled Canton Activities**

- **Canton Weekly Meeting and Fighter Practice - 6:30 PM**

Location: Kildee Pavilion on the ISU Campus

- **Equestrian Practice - Sundays 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM**

(Currently suspended for the Winter season)

Location: 3G Farms, 17830 550th Ave, Ames, IA

Note: Riding lessons may not be given while at a Canton Equestrian Practice. Please contact the equestrian marshal for more information if you need to set up riding lessons.

# This Month In Period

Murdoch Stiubhard

## **Jan. 9, 1493—Her upper part was an ugly fish, but her bottom part was a girl\***

Christopher Columbus was an intrepid explorer. As any good ship's captain, he kept a log of his journey and anything remarkable he saw. However, for years, it was assumed he was prone to exaggeration or even flat out lying. One example comes from this day. While anchored in a bay at Hispaniola, Columbus wrote "...I saw three mermaids. They came high out of the water but they were not as pretty as they are depicted, for somehow in the face they look like men." Even his contemporaries wondered if he had a bit too much of the sauce. Today we are certain that this is the first Western documentation of manatees.

## **Jan. 13, 532—Manchester United's Red Army breaks windows. The original hooligans deposed an Emperor**

The "demes" of the Eastern Roman Empire were extremely loyal to their chariot teams. So much so, that Emperor Justinian I chose to hold a chariot race, on this day, to settle a dispute over a murder involving members of the Green deme and the Blue deme. The races went poorly and soon the crowd blamed Justinian for their problems. The Blues and Greens teamed up and lay siege to the royal palace. And declared Hypatius as the new Emperor. Were it not for the urging of his wife Theodora, Justinian would have fled in disgrace. Instead, he sent his eunuch Narses into the occupied Hippodrome with a bag of gold. Narses paid off the Blues, reminding them that Justinian was a Blue hooligan himself, and Hypatius was a Green. The Blues stormed out of the Hippodrome, deposed the new Emperor Hypatius and returned the city to Justinian.

**Jan. 24, 1076—“You’re fired!”**

When Gregory VII became pope, the papacy was fairly weak. Holy Roman Emperors had slowly eroded the power of the papacy. Church officials were appointed by local secular leaders. Papal bulls were approved by princes and kings. The Pope had essentially become the Holy Roman Emperor's apprentice. Gregory VII fought back. He replaced many of the bishops. He had Papal proclamations read in local churches. He slowly began to establish himself as a power in the region. Henry IV would have none of it. Henry gathered the bishops loyal to him at the Synod of Worms, and on this day they deposed Pope Gregory. Gregory responded with a “thpthpthpthpt” of his own and excommunicated Henry. Fortunately, the world survived middle school politics.

# Who discovered the moon?

## The Old Lady in the Woods

The moon was discovered by ancient man who made record of its voyage through the night's sky. Over the years myths, religions and eventually science shed light on the nature of this lovely, luminous object.

Understanding the phases of the moon may seem elementary to us now, but how did the Renaissance man figure it all out?

First, let us pull together our cheat sheet of facts (because we can). We know now, the earth orbits the sun every (approximately) 365 days. And, the earth rotates on its axis a full circle in about 24 hours. Then add in that the moon orbits the earth taking about 28 days to orbit the entire planet of earth, we now see how the position of the earth, sun or moon affects the phases of the moon and which part of the moon we can see.

Next, learning, by some degree thru observation (and logic), we learn the moon does not produce any light, it merely reflects light from the sun, as can the earth, and from earth, we can see the moon both during the day and night.

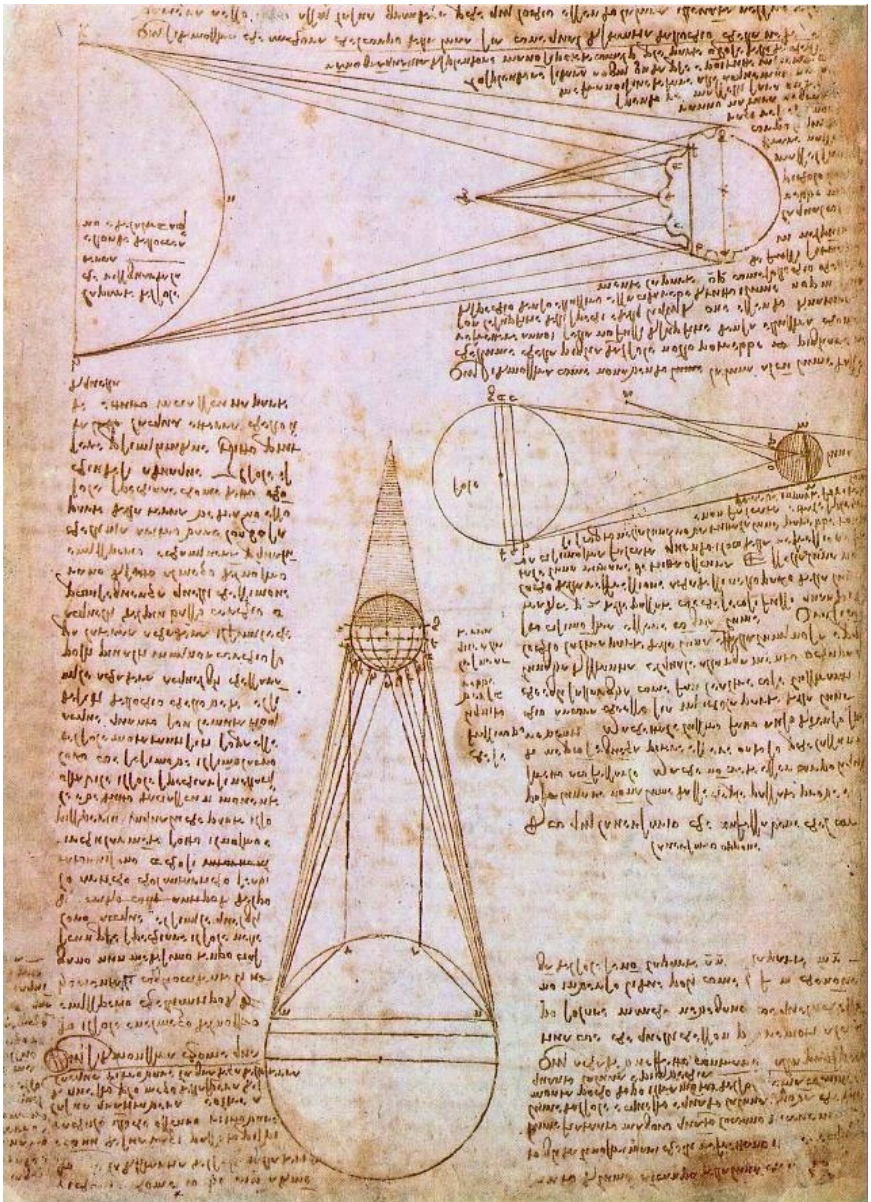
Now, consider the phases of the moon, divided into 4 parts: new moon- where no light is reflected, first quarter- a waxing moon, full moon - the entire disk is reflecting light, and third (or last) quarter- a waning moon... So the cycle returns...

Now, do a hands on experiment, you will need a darkened room, some sort of round object and a candle or flashlight. Or as Leo did, draw it out... And there you have it.\*

\*<http://www.enotes.com/leonardo-da-vinci-64746-reference/leonardo-da-vinci>

[Leonardo also formulated several accurate astronomical theories, including one which stated that Earth rotates around the Sun, and another stating the Moon shines because of the Sun's reflected light. Leonardo postulated that the shadowing image of the full moon that appears cradled between the horns of the crescent moon each month is illuminated by light reflected from the earth, a conclusion that was reached by German Astronomer Johannes Kepler(1571-1630) a century later. ]





## January Full Moon Data: Full Wolf Moon

Jan 26, 2013

6:50 AM

291° ↙

Full Moon at 10:39 PM

5:20 PM

71° ↘

# Historical Tidbits #32

Caoimhin McKee

Tidbit #271. In medieval times a knight could advertise for work by saying his lance was free to hire. This is the origin of the term “freelance”.

Tidbit #272. In Sanskrit, the word ‘war’ means ‘desire for more cows’.

Tidbit #273. Wedlock comes from the Old English words ‘wed’ meaning ‘pledge’ and ‘lac’ meaning ‘action’.

Tidbit #274. When World Heavyweight Boxing Champion, Gene Tunney, retired, he started lecturing on Shakespeare at Yale University.

Tidbit #275. ‘Coward’ originally meant a boy who took care of cows.

Tidbit #276. King Louis XIV took only 3 baths in his lifetime. One at his baptismal, one by request from a mistress, and the last by doctor’s orders.

Tidbit #277. Instant coffee was invented in the 18th century.

Tidbit #278. The river Nile froze over twice, in the 9th century and in the 11th .

Tidbit #279. The yo-yo was originally a Philippino hunting weapon.

Tidbit #280. Albert Einstein turned down the presidency of Israel, saying, he didn’t have a head for solving problems.

# Recipes

Miss snacking on peanuts at an event because they're not period? Perhaps you just want a salty, crunchy, healthy snack? Try these Roman chickpeas! The recipe comes from Apicius.

Aliter faseolus sive cicer: frictos oenogaro et pipere.

## CHICKPEAS (CICER)

Ingredients:

Dry chick peas (garbanzo beans)

Salt

Pepper

Olive oil

Soak dried chick peas overnight (do not use canned chick peas).

Preheat oven to 400. Drain the peas and put them in a bowl. Add a little olive oil, salt and pepper. Toss to coat. Pour out onto a cookie/baking sheet. Place in the oven. Stir the peas every 15 minutes to roast evenly and avoid burning. The peas are done when they are crunchy and evenly browned. Cooking time will vary but may take up to 2 hours. Turn the oven down to 350 if they start to burn before they are completely toasted. For additional flavor, add garlic powder or garum (fish sauce) to the mixture.

Mistress Diana

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