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FRONT COVER: Wines and foods tasted by the process called **credence** were then served to the nobility of State of Church. From Ulrich von Richenthal's Constanzer Concilium, 1450-1470, German.
(copied from Fabulous Feasts by Madeleine P. Cosman (Brazillier, New York, 1976)

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HARK! WHAT'S GOING ON IN YOUR SHIRE? Don't be the first up against the wall when the Normans come just because you didn't read about it in the Windswept!

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Calendar of Events

AUGUST -----

- Tue 7 WINDKEEP - Armorer's guild (Maeve, 632-8938)
- Sat 11 Hawk's Hollow - Three Hawks Tourney (Tambriel, 303-288-3828)
- Tue 14 WINDKEEP - Armorer's guild (Maeve, 632-8938)
- Sat 18 Unser Hafen - Iron Cross Tourney (Sigismond, 303- 225-0765)
- Sat 18-19 Caer Galen - Hot August Knights (Louis-Phillipe, 303-442-3421)
- Sat 19 WINDKEEP - Annual Valynwoode Picnic (Lady Elaine, 634-2037)
- Sat 11-19 Pennsic War (see kingdom newsletter)
- Mon 20 Unser Hafen - Mercenary Singers (contact Maeve)
- Tue 21 WINDKEEP - Armorer's guild (Maeve, 632-8938)
- Sat 25-26 Glen Ora - Grand Rustic (Andrew, 307-547-3557)
- Mon 27 Unser Hafen - Dance Practice
- Tue 28 WINDKEEP - Armorer's guild (Maeve, 632-8938)

SEPTEMBER -----

- Sat 1-3 Unser Hafen/Caerthe - Warlord and Defender (Llamrei, 303-490-2936)
- Sat 7-10 Caerthe - Hunter's Ceilidhe (Wyndlyn, 303-355-6598)
- Sat 22 Dragonsspine - Newcomer's Demo (Liobsynde, 719-520-9838)
- Sat 29 Caerthe - Peasant's Feast (Adelheid, 303-337-6312)

OCTOBER -----

- Sat 6-7 Unser Hafen --- CROWN TOURNAMENT (Gerald, 303-224-5184)

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=====REGULAR HAPPENINGS=====

POPULACE MEETING: Tuesday, August 14 (during Armorer's Guild) at Maelgwyn's house (4301 Hayes Avenue). Plans for future events need to be laid out. Meeting starts at 7:00 pm. Bring your own cokes and munchies.

UNSER HAVEN DANCE PRACTICE: 2nd and 4th Mondays at 7:00pm, except this month, where the practice on the 13th has been cancelled; they've changed the site from the church to Lory Student Center at CSU. Call Lady Catriona or Lady Tehri Hadeel (303-482-6608) for directions and room number, or Maeve for carpooling info.

MERCENARY SINGERS OF THE NORTHERN OUTLANDS: 1st Mondays at Maeve's house; 3rd Mondays in Ft Collins (contact Maeve for location). We're working on period music now!

UNSER HAVEN FIGHTER PRACTICE: Sundays from 1:30 to whenever, at Spring Creek Park (off College Drive--turn left at Spring Creek Park Drive) in Ft. Collins. For more info, contact Lady Llamrei at 303-490-2936. They have excellent teachers and loaner armor.

ARCHERS OF WINDKEEP: Every Saturday from noon to 1 pm, at the easement just beyond Afflerbach Elementary School (take Central Avenue south to Wallick Rd, turn right and park in the faculty parking lot. The archery butt is just up the hill from the barrel-racing track. We have lots of bows of all different weights, plus two crossbows. Contact Rhys at 632-1133 for more info.

ARMORER'S AND FLETCHER'S GUILD -- Every Tuesday night at 6:30 at Maeve's house. Come work on armor, discuss fighting, look at all Maeve's books, build arrows and crossbow bolts, or just socialize.



HARK! COME ONE, COME ALL to the....
ANNUAL VALYNWOODE PICNIC AND ROCK-ROMP!

On Sunday, August 19, House Valynwoode and the rest of Windkeep will be having a Picnic and Rock-romp at the picnic grounds at Vedauwoo (about halfway between Windkeep and Ard Tir on the Inter-shire Highway no. 80). Fun starts at 11:00 AM, in the same picnicking place as last year---meet out there, or meet Lady Elaine at her house (corner of Hot Springs and Poplar Ct) at 9:30 to caravan. There is NO SITE FEE, but bring your own meat, drinks, and a dish to share with 6-8 other gentlefolk (peasants?). Wear garb appropriate for hiking through the woods and climbing rocks. Squirt guns, though documentably un-period, are welcome.

For more information, contact Lady Elaine of Valynwoode (Bonnie Anthony) at 634-2037. SEE YOU THERE!

FOURTH ANNUAL THREE HAWKS CHAMPION TOURNEY

High above in the sky
where three hawks do fly
with such accuracy and power
they can swoop and snatch a flower.

Wait, Wait Wait,

To all good gentles in the Outlands,
I am the autocrat for Three Hawks Champion
Tourney and I would like to apologize for a mistake I
made about the paragraph concerning the tavern in
my article. I must have been asleep at the typewriter
when typing the article, because I did not mean to
include the tavern paragraph. There will not be a
tavern at Three Hawks and no alcohol will be sold at
this event or any other SCA events. I am sorry that
this caused so many problems, I made a mistake and
I apologize.

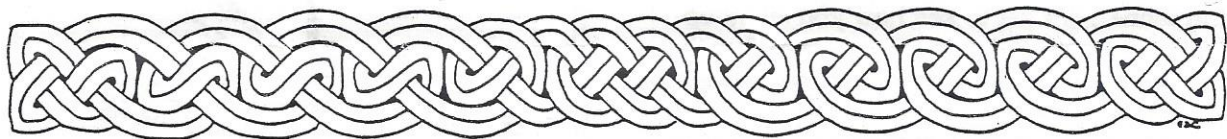
Tambriel
Three Hawks Autocrat

And now back to our regular announcement!

The Canton of Hawks Hollow invites one and all to
join us for the fourth annual Three Hawks Champion
Tournament on August 11 and 12. The site is located

in the Black Forest near Monument, about 53 miles
south of Denver. The site will open at 2:00 Friday
afternoon and will close Sunday evening at 6:00. The
site fee is \$2.00 per person for the weekend. This is a
camping event so be prepared for any type of
weather. The site has plenty of trees for shade, firep-
its, firewood, and it is a very wet site. There are no
picnic tables, no water (bring your own) and animals
are allowed on leashes, please. This is private prop-
erty - there is a gate at the entrance, the gate will be
unlocked, but please keep it closed when you are
through.

Friday night -	Reveling and merriment
Saturday	10:00 - Opening announcements
	10:30 - Draw for teams
	11:00 - Tournaments begin
	6:00 - Feast
	Dark - Bardic competition and revel- ing, awards for the day
Sunday	10:30 - Fighters armor up
	11:00 - War maneuvers
	6:00 - Time to go home



On Saturday and Sunday there will be children's
games and an official I.K.A.C round will be shot for
the archers. Merchants are welcome.

We will be having the feast at 6 pm after all of the
events of the day are finished. The feast will be \$4.00
per person (\$1.00 for littles under 12). Our feast will
include: breads, cheese, salad, a surprise soup, and
roast beast. For dessert we will have fruit and fruit
breads. Reservations and fees for the feast will be
accepted until August 4th! Please send your checks to
the site and feast autocrat made payable to the SCA,
Canton of Hawks Hollow.

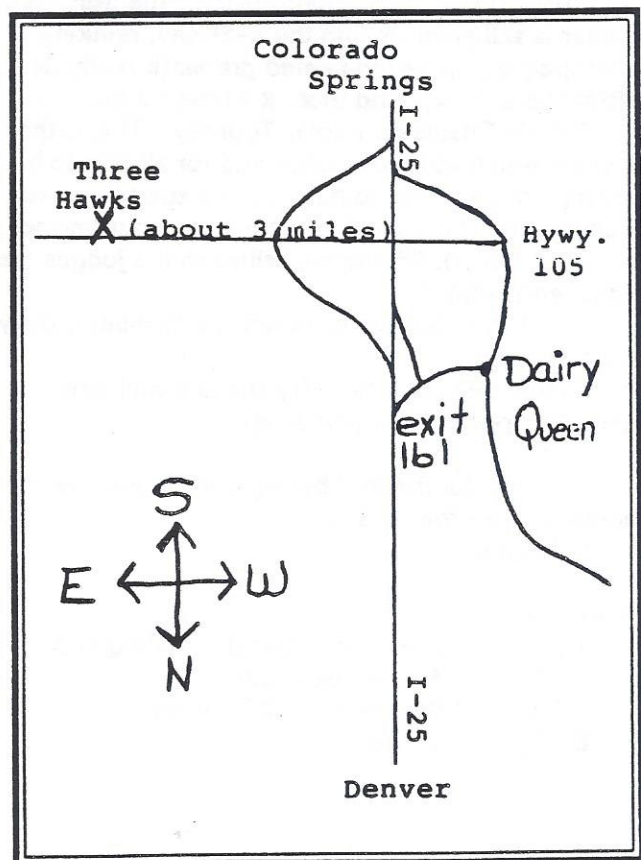
On Sunday we will be having war maneuvers in
the woods for the heavy weapons fighters. The Canton
of Hawks Hollow is looking forward to seeing you.

AUTOCRAT

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FEAST AND SITE AUTOCRAT

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You're a fighter, hanging around on a Saturday evening, wondering what to do for a good time. It's Summer, when the days are long and the evenings are even longer, so it must be time for the

HOT AUGUST KNIGHTS (AND SULTRY MORNING DONS) TOURNEY

The event will be held Saturday and Sunday, August 18th and 19th, at Windhover Cliff (Mistress Kyriel's land) in Caer Galen. This is a CAMPING EVENT. The events to be featured include:

* A 'King-of-the-hill' *heavy weapons tourney* - winner of each fight takes on all comers until exhausted or until all others are defeated. Hopefully this will not tire you too much to enjoy the

* *Bawdy Bardic Contest* - the raunchier the better - need I say more. A panel of unbiased (and not easily embarrassed) judges will listen as you sing of the comeliness, handsomeness or just plain tastiness of the opposite (or not) sex. There will be plenty of drumming and dancing afterward. And, of course this should get you into the mood for the

* *Handsome Limbs Competition* - tired of seeing those fine bodies in armor but not getting to see what's really inside? Kind of like Christmas where you never get to unwrap your presents, right? Well, here's your chance. Our citizen panel of judges will 'hand pick' the winner. We get to see how you stand up under real pressure. And wait 'till you see what the prize is... Next day, to build up your strength we have the

* *Most Decadent Breakfast Contest* - no matter how trashed you got the night before, the truly stylish fighter is still seen smiling the next day, drinking champagne and eating peeled grapes (it really demoralizes the enemy). And then, it's time for the

* *Rude Challenge Rapier Tourney* - This is the contest which will prove once and for all that to be champion, you need to have both a strong and sure weapon and also a nimble tongue (as your partner will no doubt attest). Of course, bribes to the judges are again encouraged.

A last (but certainly not least) minute entry in the contests -

* *Most Decadent Bed Try* the first and best way to gain style points while you sleep.

And now for the that boring part of any event announcement - the details.

Schedule

Saturday:

- 12:00 - Site opens. General milling about
- 3:00 - Armor inspection
- 4:00 - King of the Hill Tourney
- 8:00 - Dinner

Dusk - Bawdy Bardic and Handsome Limbs competitions
 Sunday

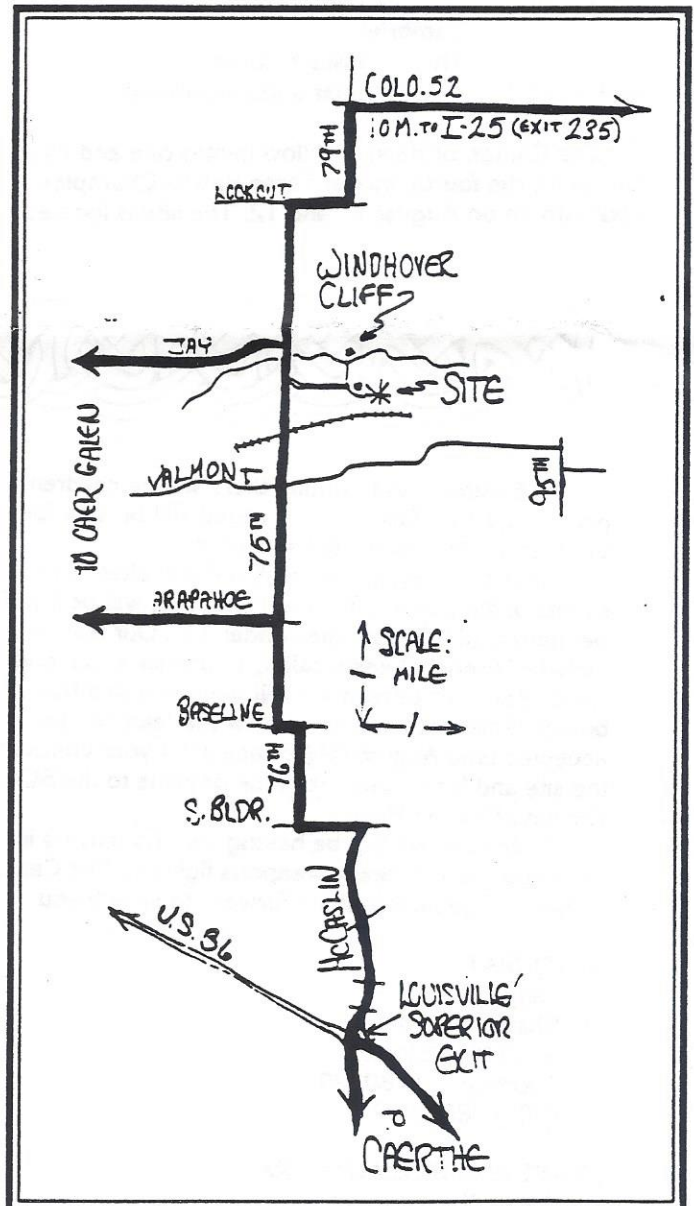
When we get up - Decadent Breakfast Contest
 Most Decadent Bed Contest

11:00 - Rude Challenge Rapier Tourney

Anyone wishing to volunteer to judge the contests please see the autocrat, Lord Louis-Phillippe Mitouard, phone (442-3421). Site fee is \$5.00 per person for the weekend. Period (none of this fancy pricing structure here). Dinner Saturday (saturday?) night will be a stone soup. Bring something to pass around or something to add to the soup (or bring a \$1.00 donation).

Questions? Contact the Autocrat.

So come to the Hot August Knights Tourney, for those who know that 'Macho' doesn't mean hugging your horse.



IRON CROSS TOURNEY AT NEW WEST FEST

Unser Hafen - August 19

To all good gentles of the Outlands, I bid you welcome and challenge you to test your skill and courage in the first annual Unser Hafen Gelsheim Iron Cross Tourney. Designed to test the staying power and prowess at arms of the brave fighters of our realm, the Iron Cross consists of two fighting erics each held by a single warrior until he or she is defeated. The loser of each match goes to the opposite field to wait their turn to depose the current champion, thus gaining strength and composure. All wounds are cumulative until a fatal blow is struck, ie if the victor has taken a leg blow, he must remain thus until he is mercifully slaughtered by an opponent. All weapons styles are allowed. The fighting will take place in two periods, length to be determined by the number of fighters and the weather of the day. The winner will be the one with the most victories.

This event will take place at the 2nd annual New West Fest, August 18th in the downtown Library Park in Fort Collins. The first round of the tourney will begin promptly at 1:00 with list sign up and armor inspection to commence at 12:00. As this is a mundane event we must operate under demo conditions. No camping or alcohol is permitted on site other than refreshments purchased in the beer garden, but by all means, bring food and blankets for a picnic if you wish. There will be a revel following with directions supplied at the demo. Crash space can be arranged by calling the autocrat, Lord Sigismund Chrznoski at (303) 225-0765.

To get to the site, take I-25 to highway 14 West in Fort Collins; go to Mathews St. (two blocks before College Ave); turn north (right) and go to the park at Olive and Mathews.

The Prize (significant booty) will be awarded to the victor by Lady Magdalena, reason enough to lay down one's life in honorable combat.

GRAND RUSTICK IV / IRON LORD III

On August 25-26, starting at 10 am, the shire of Glen Ora brings you Grand Rustick IV / Iron Lord III! As usual, the Iron Lord (or Lady) must participate in a number of competitions, including heavy weapons (or fencing), archery (loaner equipment available), ring jousting, muckle coo shot put, duck and goose quarterstaff melee, Greasian arm wrestling, and a fiendish new game invented by the sick minds in Glen Ora. All competitors are advised to wear garb that is

easily laundered, as you will get dirty! This year's prize for the Iron Lord is a lovely dagger made by Laird Donald MacKay and Lady Amarantha Randolph.

Campers are welcome to come Friday evening and set up early. We are doing our best to eliminate the cactus from the camping area, but we still recommend wearing sturdy shoes. There is excellent running water, no shade, no pets allowed, and fires in enclosed containers only at the site. Definitely a wet site! We promise you a feast of gargantuan proportions, including barbecued duck and of course, our famous salad bar.

Fees are as follows: \$10.00 feast and site package for adults in advance, children half-price under 12. If you call ahead but don't pre-pay, it is \$12.00 for feast and site for adults, and \$14.00 at the door. For those not feasting, site fee is \$4.00 per person. Feast fees include breakfast and lunch on Sunday. Send all fees to the feast autocrat.

DIRECTIONS - Take your best route to I-80, head east 20 miles from Cheyenne for 20 miles, take the Hillsdale exit. Turn left as you reach the bottom of the offramp, and then turn right at the stop sign. Head east two miles, then turn left at County Road 142. Head north for five miles, go around large curve in the road (slow down!), and the site is the large green house by the 25 m.p.h. sign.

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CAERTHEN-UNSER HAVEN WARLORDS/PREMIER BLADES

September 1-3
at Windhover Cliff

No more marching around in straight lines and lying about on the floor to eat! Come to a Celtic Harvest Festival at Windhover Cliff and go wild!

Due to a change in kingdom calendar, Llamrei and Irel have been asked to hold their respective warlord/premier blade tournaments on Labor Day weekend. We were planning lots of fun Celtic activities for two days, now we have three.

There will be lots of fighting to satisfy those with violent tendencies: a Kingdom-wide heavy weapons tourney (everyone is welcome see below), the Warlord/Defender heavy weapons tourney the highest placed baronial fighter wins the Unser Hafen title and a prize goes to the overall winner, and the Caerthen Warlord will be chosen by the Baron and Baroness from the various fighting events, Premier blades tournaments, melees with a decidedly Celtic flavor including shield brother battles, chariot hunting, barbarians vs. those (icky) Romans, and anything our Knotted Celtic minds can dream up.

ALL OUTLANDS PRIZE TOURNAMENT

On Sunday, Their Majesties will hold an all Kingdom prize tournament. The tournament will be open to all interested parties and will have two special features (barring unforeseen problems): It will be run entirely by Laurels and Pelicans (heralding, marshaling, lists, etc.) and all the prizes will be furnished by members of those orders. Because of time constraints on such a busy weekend, it might be a single fight, single elimination tournament. The winner will receive the privilege of choosing first from the available prizes. The runner-up chooses second, and so forth until everyone has a prize or until all prizes are used). Within rounds, we have considered using reverse precedence order, so that newer and less experienced fighters will be given the privilege of choosing a prize before those who have been around long enough to receive rank and titles. If anyone has a fairer idea, contact Ælflaed of Duckford, the coordinator, or Baron Mark Lasie, who will coordinate the heraldry for that one tournament. (505) 299-2476 and 247-1084, respectively.

As Their Royal Majesties wish for all the Outlands to gather at his event, it seemed a good time for a redistribution of wealth. Entrants will be able to take home prizes for themselves or their ladies (or lords) as mementos of the day. Leftover prizes (if any) can be used by the Crown to reward service at the event.

Saturday night there will be a feast on site prepared by Mistress Katherine of Holford. (Irel note: aren't I just the luckiest autocrat to get her for a feastocrat?) The menu will include:

- First Course
 - Various Breads
 - Herbed Butter
 - Soft Cheese (possibly homemade)
 - Cold Roasted Chicken
 - Boiled eggs
 - Autumn Fruit
- Second Course
 - Gourd Soup
 - Rumbledethumps
 - WHOLE ROAST PIG
- Dessert
 - Baked Apples w/Cream

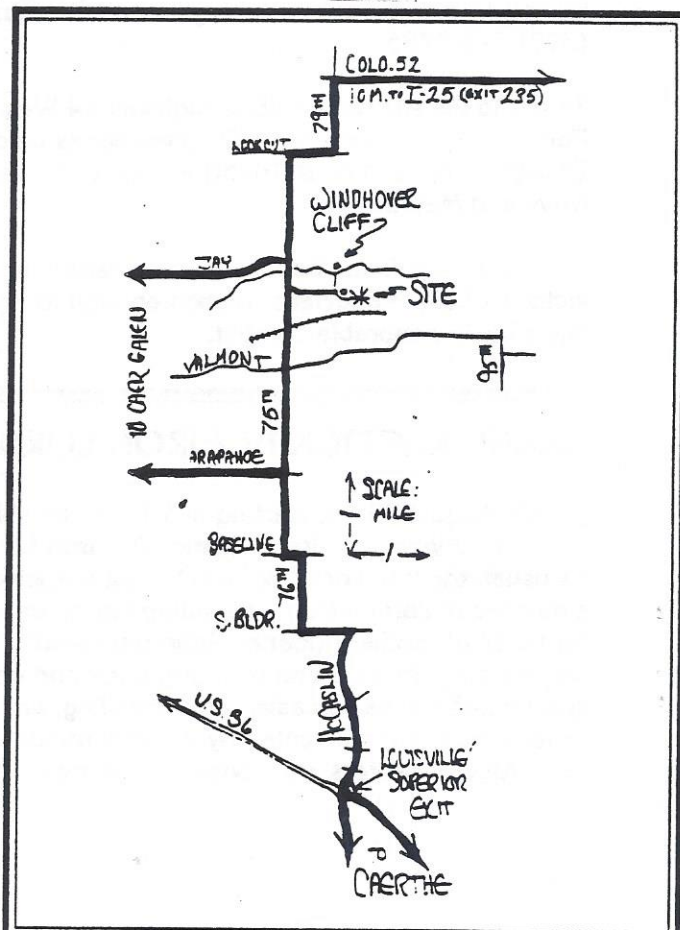
Sunday there is a Stone Soup planned so please bring something for the pot and/or the table (bread, cheese, etc.)

In addition, we will have an Arts & Sciences display of items of Celtic theme, design, or ornament, a bardic circle (all contenders for the titles must participate!), an archery tournament, axe and spear throwing competitions, foot races and tug of war. If this sounds like too much fun, please come join the rest of the Kingdom in a celebration of the Celtic ways (Having Fun!).

Site fees will be \$5.00 for the weekend for those 8 and above and feast fees are \$6.00 per person Please send reservations in by August 25th so that we may properly prepare.

AUTOCRATS

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The Story of Margaret of Beverley (fl. 12th cent.)

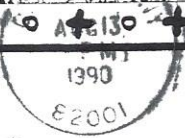
"Margaret was born while her parents Sybil and Hulnon, from Beverley in northern England, were on pilgrimage in the Holy Land about the middle of the twelfth century. The pious Margaret later returned as a pilgrim to the LevantThe story begins with Margaret in Jerusalem while it was under attack by Saladin. She says she defended the city like a man, putting a cooking pot on her head as a helmet and carrying water to the men on the walls; she was injured by fragments from a boulder big as a millstone fired by Saracen engines. After the fall of the city she paid her bezants and left with other ransomed Christians, heading towards nearby Lachis. Though they had bought their freedom at Jerusalem, the refugees were once again enslaved by Moslems, and Margaret remained in bondage for fifteen months. She was forced to carry out menial jobs such as gathering stones and wood for her masters and was beaten with switches for disobedience. Through summer heat and winter frosts she bore all with patience, always fatigued and undernourished: 'I bathed my chains in my tears.' Finally a pious man from Tyre, in thanks for the birth of a male heir, offered to pay the ransom of various Christian slaves, of whom Margaret was one.

Freed from captivity a second time, her troubles were far from over. In fact she was now completely on her own, wearing nothing but a tattered garment that scarcely covered her nakedness, travelling by desolate routes to avoid towns and possible recapture; she kept herself alive for five days with a single bread roll, then had to eat roots for another five days or so. She was torn between the fear of going into settlements, and the fear of ending up as a meal for wild beasts. Her only comfort was a psalter, but even this was nearly lost, when a Turk forced her to give it up. A few moments later, however, he ran back to her, threw himself at her feet in repentance, and returned the holy book to her. Margaret finally arrived in the region of Antioch, where once again she was arrested by the Moslems on suspicion of theft (of a knife). Condemned to death, in a cell surrounded by people speaking a language she could not understand, she was praying when the Saracen commander heard her mention the name Mary, and ordered her release--much to the disgust of his fellow-Moslems. Finally Margaret returned to Europe during the truce between Richard I and Saladin; she visited Compostella and Rome, then made her way to France and to her brother's monastery. He could hardly recognize her. She told him the name of their parents, that there were three children, a boy who died soon after baptism, Thomas---the monk standing before her---and a girl, now addressing Thomas. At last he believed her: 'We mingled our tears together.' He convinced her to enter a convent, which she did after telling him about her adventures. As she says---and we can well believe it---'my tale filled him with sighs.'"

From Soldiers of the Faith: Crusaders and Moslems At War, by Ronald C. Finucane (J.M.Dent, London, 1983)

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