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ST. ANDREW'S NOBLE ORDER OF ROYAL SCOTS

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Sonora Celtic Faire—March 8th and 9th, 2008



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The 2008 faire season begins for St. Andrew's the weekend of March 8th and 9th at what has been known as Angel's Camp or the Calaveras Celtic Faire, but will now be held in the neighboring town of Sonora, CA at the Sonora County Fairgrounds, 220 Southgate Drive, Sonora, CA, 95370 (see maps page).. The faire board touts this event as California's oldest and largest Celtic faire celebrating Ireland, Scotland, Cornwall and Wales through music, ethnic food and drink, historical re-enactment, armored tournaments, modern clans,

and Highland and Irish step dancers.

Setup for this event will begin at approximately noon, Friday, March 7th with the truck being loaded at Castle Dunvegan, Thursday night, 6:00p.m. until finish. All hands are needed for truck load and set up.

Besides presenting the Court of Her Royal Majesty, Mary Queen of Scots for the public to view and visit, St. Andrew's will also be hosting two notable events; the first being, the knighting of Captain Teage Seaton of the Royal Guard into The

Order of the Knights of St. John of Jerusalem between 11:00a.m. and 12:00p.m. Saturday, March 9th in the Queen's Court. The second notable event, which happens maybe once a decade will be the elevation of Bill Watters as the new Grand Master within the Order of the Knights of St. John of Jerusalem held in HRM's Court Saturday, March 9th, between the hours of 2:00p.m. and 3:00p.m.

In preparing and packing for this faire weekend, please note from the picture above that the weather at this time of year is very unpredictable and you should be prepared with additional changes of clothes, including gloves, an extra set of weather proof boots, cloaks and hats. If camping be prepared for cold, wet conditions.

Lodging information can be accessed through the following website address:

<http://www.sonoracelticfaire.com//info.html>

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- MODESTO CERES SCHOOL EVENT: (LIMITED SETUP), SATURDAY, MAY 3RD
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- LIVERMORE HIGHLAND GAMES: MAY 17TH AND 18TH, LIVERMORE, CA
- R J FISHER MIDDLE SCHOOL EVENT: APRIL 25TH, LOS GATOS, CA
- MISSION DELORES SCHOOL EVENT: MAY 23, SAN FRANCISCO, CA

Training and Props Repair Days—March 1st and 2nd



Guild Training and final props repair in preparation for the Sonora Celtic Faire will take place at Castle Dunvegan the first weekend in March beginning at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday until approximately 5:00 p.m. and props repair taking place from 10:00 a.m.

Sunday morning until approximately 4:00 p.m.

Topics and skills to be discussed and practiced will include general guild information, information specific to the upcoming Sonora event, general history, sword play and dance practice, a review and update of the guild event calendar, as well as a special guest speaker, Bill Watters, who will be talking about what faires

were like when he first started and what they are like now, as well as a question and answer period.

Those things which must be accomplished and finalized at props repair on Sunday are the completion of renovations on the Guards' and Sir Drew's pavilions, and inventories of all trunks and boxes.

St. Mary's School Event—March 13th

The first of the 2008 school events that St. Andrew's participates in as part of our non-

profit status will be held at St. Mary's School, in Gilroy, CA on March 13th, starting at 9:00 a.m. in the morning and running through the entire school day with lunch being served at the school by s c h o o l

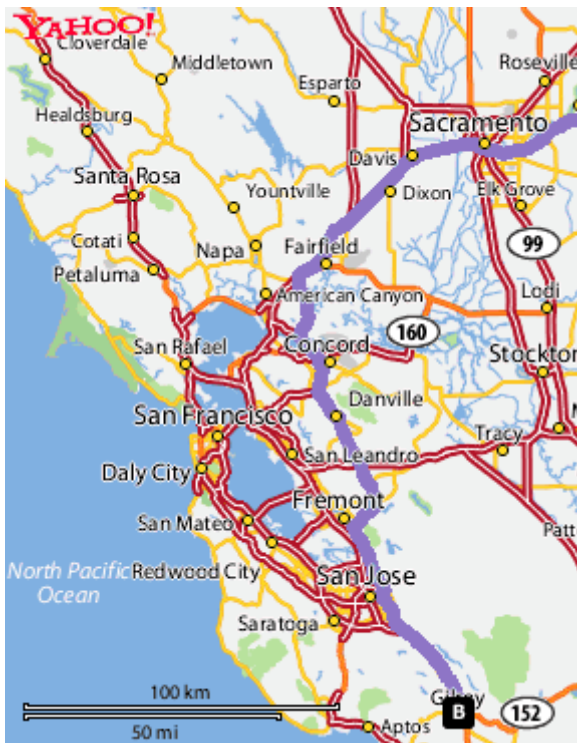
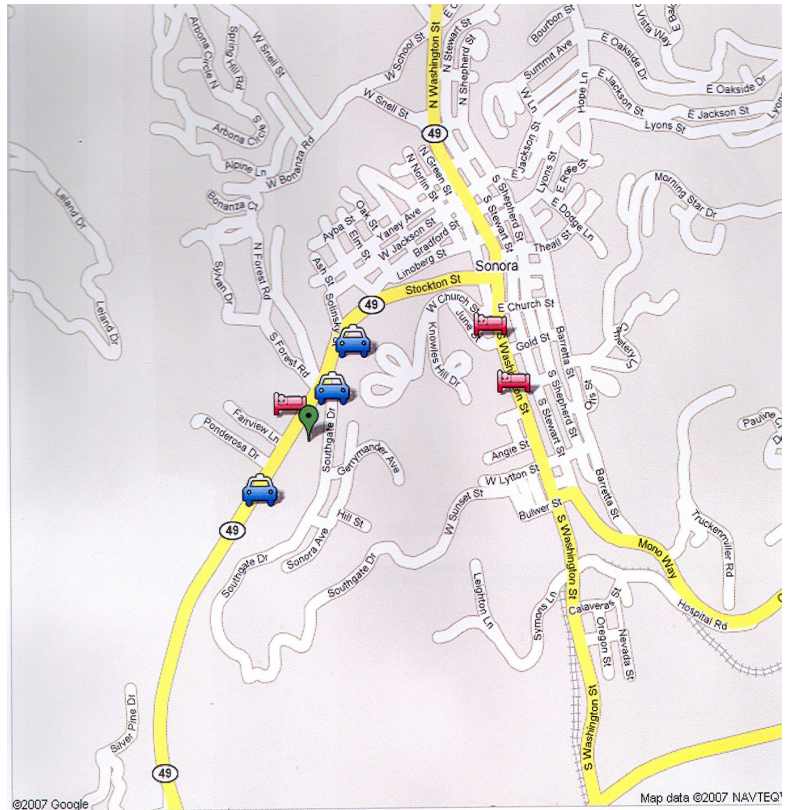
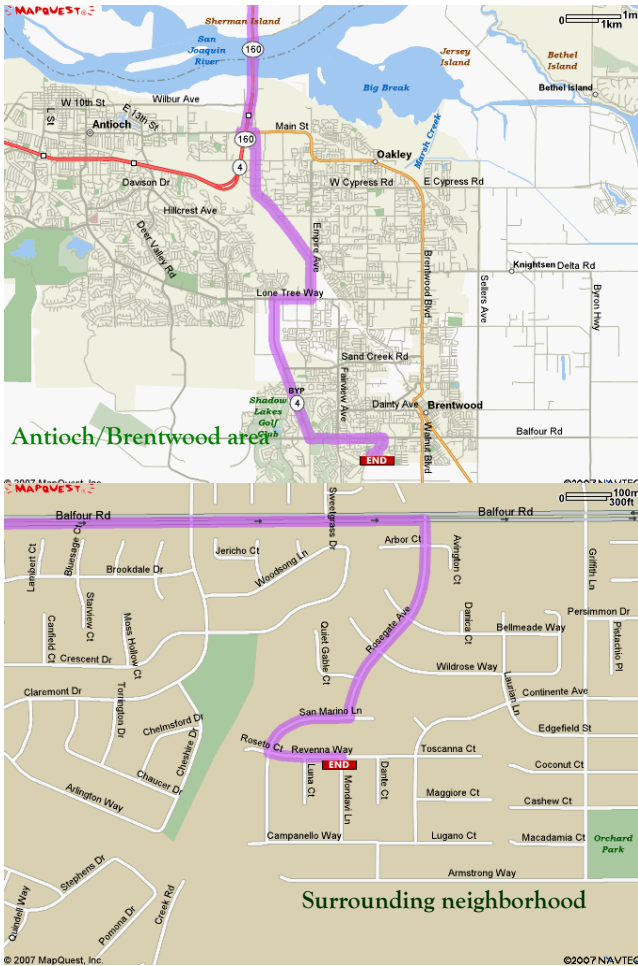
personnel, together with the students as a formal repast. This school is the school where our own Dame Bronwynne's sister is a member of the staff. Students typically display castles and heraldry that they have made and come to school costumed as historical characters from the renaissance era that

they have studied and written about as part of their project. St. Andrew's members generally break into several groups to lead discussions on armament, fashion, class structure and Scottish history and games.

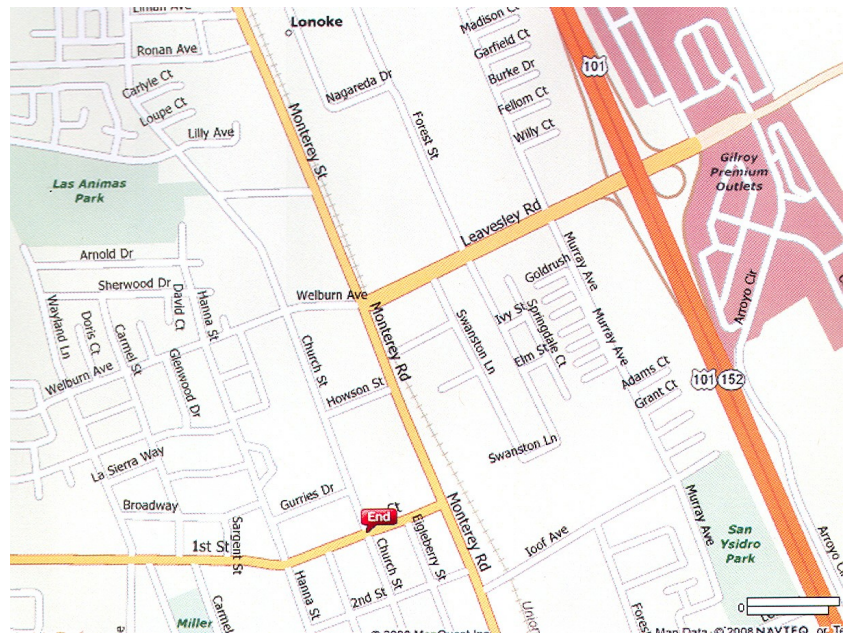


St. Mary's School, 2007

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