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'Age of Chivalry' Brings Festival to New Location 18th Annual Renaissance Fair Entertains Oct. 7-9

Due to the renovation of Sunset Park, the Age of Chivalry Renaissance Festival will move to Silver Bowl Park, located at 6800 E. Russell Road, to celebrate its 18th year. The location may be different, but the favorite costumed knights, knaves, fine ladies and wenches will be the same when Clark County Parks and Recreation presents the festival Friday, Oct. 7 through Sunday, Oct. 9.

The festival is open from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7; 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 8 and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 9. Admission is \$10 per day for adults and \$5 per day for seniors and children ages 5 to 12, ages 4 and younger are free. Three-day passes are \$25 for adults and \$10 for children, ages 5 to 12, and seniors, ages 55 and older. VIP Passes are available for \$50 per person, which includes a three-day pass, an event T-shirt, event poster, access to a private VIP parking lot close to the entrance, plus discounted beverages at the Miller VIP booth (must be 21+). All tickets are available through Ticketmaster. Three-day or VIP passes are only available through Ticketmaster in advance and can be redeemed at the event box office for a wristband Oct. 7, the first day of the fair.

Tempest, Wicked Tinkers, Lexington Field and Mullaney will headline the main Royale Miller stage at the festival this year.

The **Wicked Tinkers** have been entertaining with heart-pounding bagpipes, irresistible drumbeats and haunting melodies since 1995. Adding to the band's unique sound is the Australian didgeridoo and Bronze Age Irish horn mixed with a pairing of bass drum and bagpipes. Although the band is steeped in Irish and Scottish tradition, its rock n' roll mentality brings the traditional music into the modern age. The band consists of Aaron Shaw, bagpipes, trumps and vocals; Warren Patrick Casey, tapan/bass drum and bodhran; Keith Jones, snares and percussion and CJ Henderson, didgeridoo, Bronze Age horn.

Tempest has been bringing Celtic rock to the stage for 23 years, and there is no sign of slowing down. Since its start in the San Francisco Bay area in 1988, the band has released 15 CDs and played more than 2,000 gigs. Founding member and lead singer Lief Sorbye of Norway joins California fiddler Michael Mullen, Irish-American bassist Brian Fox, American guitarist Gregory Jones and Cuban-born percussionist Adolfo Lazo for a sound Tempest has made its own. The band is a mainstay at American Celtic festivals and continues to be a favorite around the world. It has been featured at the Philadelphia Folk Festival, Denmark's Skagen Festival, Britain's Cropredy Festival and The Winnepeg Folk Festival in Canada.

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Lexington Field hails from the birthplace of Irish American Folk Punk – San Diego. The band has played hundreds of shows since it was formed in 2007, sharing the stage with fellow Celtic rockers Young Dubliners, The Tossers, The Mahones and Seven Nations to name a few. In 2010, the band released the five-song EP *The Streets of Dover* and recently put out a new, all-original, full-length album, *Old Dirt Road*. The band consists of Beau Gray, vocals and guitar; Cami Smith, violin; Bryan Hane, lead guitar; Casey Jones, bass; and Vincent West, drums.

Local group **Mullaney** rounds out the main stage lineup with a high-energy, multi-layered music featuring a stage full of instruments including vocals, violin, mandolin, tin whistle, guitar, bodhran, percussion, Irish tenor banjo and more. With an acoustic feel and an "organic" neo-traditional style, the music of Mullaney varies from freshly arranged traditional tunes to original songs and Celtic favorites spanning centuries. The band features Beth Mullaney, vocals, mandolin, guitar, Irish tenor banjo, harmonic, bodhran and spoons; Willy Wainwright, violin and vocals; Nannette Fortier, percussion, tin whistle, guitar and melodica; and Anne Donohue, vocals and guitar.

Along with main stage performances, several smaller stages will feature entertainment with costumed performers presenting more than 50 shows per day along with historical re-enactments, jousting tournaments, medieval pageantry and more than 100 artisans – including blacksmiths, stained glass designers, jewelers, wood workers, toy makers, perfume blenders, stone carvers and sword, dagger and armor craftsman – to demonstrate and sell their wares. Authentic food, from fish and chips to an English feast, also will be available as well as beer and ales for adults with proper identification.

Along with concerts all weekend, the fair will host a royal parade with kings, queens, warriors and peasants on Saturday and Sunday. The festival also offers camel rides, horse rides, plus intense full-contact jousting tournaments; no-holds-barred gladiator battles; black powder demonstrations, strolling minstrels, contortionists, magicians, storytellers, jokers, jugglers, flame eaters, belly dancers, trained parrots and pirates. Additional attractions include bow and arrow and axe target games, medieval barber and surgeon demonstrations and Renaissance guilds. In the 16th Century Village, German, Italian, Ottoman Turk, French, Celtic, Polish and British military encampments meet on the Field of Honor for battle.

No carry-in food or beverages, pets, lawn chairs or weapons are allowed inside the festival area. Patrons may bring one sealed bottle of water. No unauthorized vending, concessions, merchandise, literature or promotions allowed. Any participants in costume must have all related props or weapons peace tied, or those items will be denied at time of entry. No re-entry is allowed.

Event sponsors include Clark County Parks and Recreation, Miller Lite, City Life, the Las Vegas Review-Journal, My LVTV and The CW Las Vegas. Those interested in the Age of Chivalry Renaissance Festival can call (702) 455-8200 or visit the website at www.lvrenfair.com. Clark County Parks and Recreation also can be found on [social networking sites](#) such as Twitter and Facebook by visiting <http://tinyurl.com/4dfw8ea>.

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