

# *Sawyer and Su Compendium*



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## Objective

The purpose of this document is to supply a resume or work history of Marc and Su Miller during their re-enactment career in various organizations and as independents. The organizations mentioned here are as follows:

- **CELTS** (The Celtic Education & Living Theatre Society): is an organization that portrays the life of the Celtic people from the time periods of 1550 through 1780.
- **Thistle Cot**: Thistle Cot is a merchant coop exchange where Renaissance time period events take place and goods produced by hand may be sold.
- **St. George**: is an organization within the Bristol Renaissance Faire that contains re-enactors portraying the Nobles of Queen Elizabeth.
- **NWTA** (Northwest Territory Alliance): An organization that portrays the life or military personnel and civilians at the time of the Revolutionary War.
- **OLRHS** (Old Lead Region Historical Society): The [purpose](#) of the Old Lead Region Historical Society shall be to bring together those people interested in history, and especially in the history of the United States Lead Mines (as defined by the Robert W. Chandler map of 1829), Wisconsin, Illinois and surrounding and pertinent area. The Society shall also endeavor to research, study, preserve and interpret the history of the Red Bird rising of 1827, and the Sauk War of 1832 (known popularly as "The Black Hawk War.")

## Summer 1998 – Bristol Renaissance Faire

**Summary:** As members of Thistle Cot, Marc and Su were doing an old world Scottish first person impression performing the crafts listed below. The Bristol Renaissance Faire site was an attempted representation of Celtic crafters brought to England by an English noble to perform crafts for his profit. See Appendix A. for pictures of this representation.

### *Marc*

- Leather working apprentice.

### *Su*

- Apprentice spinner using a drop spindle
- Period cooking apprentice

## Fall 1998 – Trail of History (McHenry Co. IL)

**Summary:** As members of CELTS, Marc and Su were doing an impression of first generation Scottish immigrants to the New World performing the crafts listed below. The Trail of History event is an early 1700 through late 1800 timeline event. See Appendix A. for pictures of this representation.

### *Marc*

- Leather working apprentice.

### *Su*

- Apprentice spinner using a drop spindle
- Period cooking apprentice

## Fall 1998 – Stronghold Castle (Oregon, IL)

**Summary:** As members of CELTS, Marc and Su were doing an impression of an Old World Scottish people performing the crafts listed below. The Stronghold Castle event is a Renaissance period event. See Appendix A. for pictures of this representation.

### *Marc*

- Leather working apprentice.

### *Su*

- Apprentice spinner using a drop spindle
- Period cooking apprentice

## *Spring 1999 – St. Andrews Highland Games (Oakbrook, IL)*

**Summary:** As members of CELT, Marc and Su performed at the Highland Games event. This event is a Clan showcase event with no timeline or period being represented. Typically a New World immigrant impression was done during this event.

### *Marc*

- Leather working apprentice.

### *Su*

- Apprentice spinner using a drop spindle

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**Summary:** As members of Thistle Cot, Marc and Su were doing an old world Scottish first person impression performing the crafts listed below. The Bristol Renaissance Faire site was an attempted representation of Celtic crafters brought to England by an English noble to perform crafts for his profit. See Appendix A. for pictures of this representation.

### *Marc*

- Leather working apprentice.

### *Su*

- Apprentice spinner using a drop spindle and Ashford Elizabeth spinning wheel
- Period cooking apprentice

## *Fall 1999 – Trail of History (McHenry Co. IL)*

**Summary:** As members of CELTS, Marc and Su were doing an impression of first generation Scottish immigrants to the New World performing the crafts listed below. The Trail of History event is an early 1700 through late 1800 timeline event. See Appendix A. for pictures of this representation.

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- Leather working apprentice.

### *Su*

- Apprentice spinner using a drop spindle and Ashford Elizabeth spinning wheel
- Period cooking apprentice

### Fall 1999 – Stronghold Castle (Oregon, IL)

**Summary:** As members of CELTS, Marc and Su were doing an impression of an Old World Scottish people performing the crafts listed below. The Stronghold Castle event is a Renaissance period event. See Appendix A. for pictures of this representation.

#### **Marc**

- Leather working journeyman.

#### **Su**

- Apprentice spinner using a drop spindle and Ashford Elizabeth spinning wheel
- Period cooking apprentice

### Spring 2000 – St. Andrews Highland Games (Oakbrook, IL)

**Summary:** As members of CELT, Marc and Su performed at the Highland Games event. This event is a Clan showcase event with no timeline or period being represented. Typically a New World immigrant impression was done during this event.

#### **Marc**

- Leather working apprentice.

#### **Su**

- Apprentice spinner using a drop spindle and Ashford Elizabeth spinning wheel

### Summer 2000 – Bristol Renaissance Faire

**Summary:** As members of CELTS, Marc and Su were doing an old world Scottish first person impression performing the crafts listed below. The Bristol Renaissance Faire site was an attempted representation of Celtic crafters brought to England by an English noble to perform crafts for his profit. See Appendix A. for pictures of this representation.

#### **Marc**

- Leather working journeyman.

#### **Su**

- Apprentice spinner using a drop spindle and Ashford Elizabeth spinning wheel
- Period cooking apprentice

### Fall 2000 – Trail of History (McHenry Co. IL)

**Summary:** As members of CELTS, Marc and Su were doing an impression of first generation Scottish immigrants to the New World performing the crafts listed below. The Trail of History event is an early 1700 through late 1800 timeline event. See Appendix A. for pictures of this representation.

#### **Marc**

- Leather working journeyman.

#### **Su**

- Apprentice spinner using a drop spindle and Ashford Elizabeth spinning wheel
- Period cooking apprentice

### Fall 2000 – Stronghold Castle (Oregon, IL)

**Summary:** As members of CELTS, Marc and Su were doing an impression of an Old World Scottish people performing the crafts listed below. The Stronghold Castle event is a Renaissance period event. See Appendix A. for pictures of this representation.

#### **Marc**

- Leather working journeyman.

#### **Su**

- Apprentice spinner using a drop spindle and Ashford Elizabeth spinning wheel
- Period cooking apprentice

### Spring 2001 – St. Andrews Highland Games (Oakbrook, IL)

**Summary:** As members of CELT, Marc and Su performed at the Highland Games event. This event is a Clan showcase event with no timeline or period being represented. Typically a New World immigrant impression was done during this event.

#### **Marc**

- Leather working journeyman.

#### **Su**

- Apprentice spinner using a drop spindle and Ashford Elizabeth spinning wheel

## Summer 2001 – Bristol Renaissance Faire

**Summary:** As members of Thistle Cot, Marc and Su were doing an old world Scottish first person impression performing the crafts listed below. The Bristol Renaissance Faire site was an attempted representation of Celtic crafters brought to England by an English noble to perform crafts for his profit. Su and I as members of St. George Scottish played Nobles in her Majesties court part time this season. See Appendix A. for pictures of this representation.

### ***Marc***

- Leather working journeyman.

### ***Su***

- Spinning on Ashford Elizabeth spinning wheel
- Head cook demonstrating period recipes and cooking techniques over an open fire pit

## Fall 2001 – Trail of History (McHenry Co. IL)

**Summary:** As members of CELTS, Marc and Su were doing an impression of first generation Scottish immigrants to the New World performing the crafts listed below. The Trail of History event is an early 1700 through late 1800 timeline event. See Appendix A. for pictures of this representation.

### ***Marc***

- Cabinetry woodworking apprentice.

### ***Su***

- Spinning on Ashford Elizabeth spinning wheel
- Head cook demonstrating period recipes and cooking techniques over an open fire pit

## Fall 2001 – Stronghold Castle (Oregon, IL)

**Summary:** As members of CELTS, Marc and Su were doing an impression of an Old World Scottish people performing the crafts listed below. The Stronghold Castle event is a Renaissance time event. See Appendix A. for pictures of this representation.

### *Marc*

- Cabinetry woodworking apprentice.

### *Su*

- Spinning on Ashford Elizabeth spinning wheel
- Head cook demonstrating period recipes and cooking techniques over an open fire pit

## Spring 2002 – St. Andrews Highland Games (Oakbrook, IL)

**Summary:** As members of CELT, Marc and Su performed at the Highland Games event. This event is a Clan showcase event with no timeline or period being represented. Typically a New World immigrant impression was done during this event.

### *Marc*

- Cabinetry woodworking apprentice.

### *Su*

- Spinning on Ashford Elizabeth spinning wheel
- Head cook demonstrating period recipes and cooking techniques over an open fire pit

## Summer 2002 – Bristol Renaissance Faire

**Summary:** As members of Thistle Cot, Marc and Su were doing an old world Scottish first person impression performing the crafts listed below. The Bristol Renaissance Faire site was an attempted representation of Celtic crafters brought to England by an English noble to perform crafts for his profit. Su and I also spent every Sunday of the Faire weekend playing Scottish Nobles in her Majesties court. See Appendix A. for pictures of this representation.

### *Marc*

- Cabinetry woodworking apprentice.

### *Su*

- Spinning on Ashford Elizabeth spinning wheel
- Head cook demonstrating period recipes and cooking techniques over an open fire pit

### Fall 2002 – Trail of History (McHenry Co. IL)

**Summary:** As members of CELTS, Marc and Su were doing an impression of first generation Scottish immigrants to the New World performing the crafts listed below. The Trail of History event is an early 1700 through late 1800 timeline event. See Appendix A. for pictures of this representation.

#### ***Marc***

- Cabinetry woodworking apprentice.

#### ***Su***

- Spinning on Ashford Elizabeth spinning wheel
- Head cook demonstrating period recipes and cooking techniques over an open fire pit

### Fall 2002 – Stronghold Castle (Oregon, IL)

**Summary:** As members of CELTS, Marc and Su were doing an impression of an Old World Scottish people performing the crafts listed below. The Stronghold Castle event is a Renaissance time event. See Appendix A. for pictures of this representation.

#### ***Marc***

- Cabinetry woodworking apprentice.

#### ***Su***

- Spinning on Ashford Elizabeth spinning wheel
- Head cook demonstrating period recipes and cooking techniques over an open fire pit

### Spring 2003 – St. Andrews Highland Games (Oakbrook, IL)

**Summary:** As members of CELT, Marc and Su performed at the Highland Games event. This event is a Clan showcase event with no timeline or period being represented. Typically a New World immigrant impression was done during this event.

#### ***Marc***

- Leather working apprentice.

#### ***Su***

- Spinning on Ashford Elizabeth spinning wheel
- Head cook demonstrating period recipes and cooking techniques over an open fire pit

## *Spring 2003 – Mac Town Rendezvous*

**Summary:** As members of CELTS, Marc and Su were doing an impression of first generation Scottish immigrants to the New World performing the crafts listed below. The Mac Town event is a timeline rendezvous event. See Appendix A. for pictures of this representation.

### ***Marc***

- Cabinetry woodworking apprentice.

### ***Su***

- Spinning on Ashford Elizabeth spinning wheel
- Head cook demonstrating period recipes and cooking techniques over an open fire pit

## *Summer 2003 – Bristol Renaissance Faire*

**Summary:** As members of Thistle Cot, Marc and Su were doing an old world Scottish first person impression performing the crafts listed below. The Bristol Renaissance Faire site was an attempted representation of Celtic crafters brought to England by an English noble to perform crafts for his profit. See Appendix A. for pictures of this representation.

### ***Marc***

- Cabinetry woodworking journeyman.

### ***Su***

- Spinning on Ashford Elizabeth spinning wheel
- Head cook demonstrating period recipes and cooking techniques over an open fire pit

### Fall 2003 – Trail of History (McHenry Co. IL)

**Summary:** As members of CELTS, Marc and Su were doing an impression of first generation Scottish immigrants to the New World performing the crafts listed below. The Trail of History event is an early 1700 through late 1800 timeline event. See Appendix A. for pictures of this representation.

#### **Marc**

- Cabinetry woodworking journeyman.

#### **Su**

- Spinning on Ashford Elizabeth spinning wheel
- Head cook demonstrating period recipes and cooking techniques over an open fire pit

### Fall 2003 – Saukville (Pioneer Village) NWTA

**Summary:** As members of CELTS and civilians of the NWTA, Marc and Su were doing an impression of first generation Scottish immigrants to the New World during the time of the Revolutionary War performing the crafts listed below. The Trail of History event is a timeline event. See Appendix A. for pictures of this representation.

#### **Marc**

- Cabinetry woodworking journeyman.

#### **Su**

- Spinning on Ashford Elizabeth spinning wheel
- Head cook demonstrating period recipes and cooking techniques over an open fire pit

### Fall 2003 – Stronghold Castle (Oregon, IL)

**Summary:** As members of CELTS, Marc and Su were doing an impression of an Old World Scottish people performing the crafts listed below. The Stronghold Castle event is a Renaissance time event. See Appendix A. for pictures of this representation.

#### **Marc**

- Cabinetry woodworking journeyman.

#### **Su**

- Spinning on Ashford Elizabeth spinning wheel
- Head cook demonstrating period recipes and cooking techniques over an open fire pit

### Spring 2004 – St. Andrews Highland Games (Oakbrook, IL)

**Summary:** As members of CELTS, Marc and Su performed at the Highland Games event. This event is a Clan showcase event with no timeline or period being represented. Typically a New World immigrant impression was done during this event.

**Marc**

- Cabinetry woodworking journeyman.

**Su**

- Spinning on Ashford Elizabeth spinning wheel

### Spring 2004 – Mac Town Rendezvous

**Summary:** As members of CELTS, Marc and Su were doing an impression of first generation Scottish immigrants to the New World performing the crafts listed below. The Mac Town event is a timeline rendezvous event. See Appendix A. for pictures of this representation.

**Marc**

- Cabinetry woodworking journeyman.

**Su**

- Spinning on Ashford Elizabethan spinning wheel
- Head cook demonstrating period recipes and cooking techniques over an open fire pit

### Spring 2004 – Vincennes (Spirit of Vincennes) NWTA

**Summary:** As members of CELTS and civilians of the NWTA, Marc and Su were doing an impression of first generation Scottish immigrants to the New World during the Revolutionary War performing the trades listed below. The Trail of History event is a timeline event. See Appendix A. for pictures of this representation.

**Marc**

- Sawyer apprentice in the form of a hewer.

**Su**

- Spinster on the Ashford Elizabeth spinning wheel
- Head cook demonstrating period recipes and cooking techniques over an open fire pit

### *Spring 2004 – Highland IN. NWTA*

**Summary:** As members of CELTS and civilians of the NWTA, Marc and Su were doing an impression of first generation Scottish immigrants to the New World during the Revolutionary War performing the trades listed below. The Trail of History event is a timeline event. See Appendix A. for pictures of this representation.

#### ***Marc***

- Sawyer apprentice in the form of a hewer.

#### ***Su***

- Spinster on the Ashford Elizabeth spinning wheel
- Head cook demonstrating period recipes and cooking techniques over an open fire pit

### *Fall 2004 – Saukville (Pioneer Village) NWTA*

**Summary:** As members of CELTS and civilians of the NWTA, Marc and Su were doing an impression of first generation Scottish immigrants to the New World during the Revolutionary War performing the trades listed below. The Trail of History event is a timeline event. See Appendix A. for pictures of this representation.

#### ***Marc***

- Sawyer apprentice in the form of a hewer and pit saw crew.

#### ***Su***

- Spinster on the Ashford Elizabeth spinning wheel
- Head cook demonstrating period recipes and cooking techniques over an open fire pit

## Fall 2004 – Feast of the Hunters Moon NWTA

**Summary:** As members of CELTS and civilians of the NWTA, Marc and Su were doing an impression of first generation Scottish immigrants to the New World during the Revolutionary War performing the trades listed below. The Trail of History event is a timeline event. See Appendix A. for pictures of this representation.

### ***Marc***

- Sawyer apprentice in the form of a hewer and pit saw crew.

### ***Su***

- Spinster on the Ashford Elizabeth spinning wheel
- Head cook demonstrating period recipes and cooking techniques over an open fire pit

## Fall 2004 – Wheaton, IL (Cantigny) NWTA

**Summary:** As members of CELTS and civilians of the NWTA, Marc and Su were doing an impression of first generation Scottish immigrants to the New World during the Revolutionary War performing the trades listed below. The Trail of History event is a timeline event. See Appendix A. for pictures of this representation.

### ***Marc***

- Sawyer apprentice in the form of a hewer and pit saw crew.

### ***Su***

- Spinster on the Jenson Castle double flyer wheel
- Head cook demonstrating period recipes and cooking techniques over an open fire pit

## Spring 2005 – Mac Town Rendezvous

**Summary:** As members of CELTS, Marc and Su were doing an impression of first generation Scottish immigrants to the New World performing the crafts listed below. The Mac Town event is a timeline rendezvous event. See Appendix A. for pictures of this representation.

### ***Marc***

- Sawyer apprentice in the form of a hewer and pit saw crew.

### ***Su***

- Spinster on the Jenson Castle double flyer wheel
- Head cook demonstrating period recipes and cooking techniques over an open fire pit

## Spring 2005 – Fort Atkinson

**Summary:** As independents, Marc and Su were doing an impression of first generation immigrants to the New World performing the trades during the Revolutionary War listed below. The Fort Atkinson event is a timeline rendezvous event. See Appendix A. for pictures of this representation.

### ***Marc***

- Sawyer journeyman in the form of a hewer and pit saw crew.

### ***Su***

- Spinster on the Jenson Castle double flyer wheel
- Period cooking demonstrating period recipes and cooking techniques over an open fire pit

## Spring 2005 – Lincoln New Salem

**Summary:** As independents, Marc and Su were doing an impression of first generation immigrants to the New World performing the trades during the 1830's listed below. The Mac Town event is a timeline rendezvous event. See Appendix A. for pictures of this representation.

### *Marc*

- Sawyer journeyman in the form of a hewer and pit saw crew.

### *Su*

- Spinster on the Jenson Castle double flyer wheel
- Tailor's apprentice

## Summer 2005 – Lincoln's New Salem

**Summary:** As independents, Marc and Su were doing an impression of an 1830's sawyer and his wife. Lincoln's New Salem State Historic Site (<http://www.lincolnsnewsalem.com>) is the reconstructed town of New Salem, IL where Abraham Lincoln got his start.

### *Marc*

- Sawyer journeyman in the form of a hewer

### *Su*

- Spinster on the Jenson Castle double flyer wheel
- Tailor's apprentice
- Tavern hand

## Summer 2005 – Kenosha, WI. (Pike River Rendezvous)

**Summary:** As independents, Marc and Su were doing an impression of first generation Scottish immigrants to the New World performing the trades during the Revolutionary War listed below. The Mac Town event is a timeline rendezvous event.

### *Marc*

- Sawyer journeyman in the form of a hewer and pit saw crew member.

### *Su*

- Spinster on the Jenson Castle double flyer wheel
- Period cooking

## Summer 2005 – Joined Old Lead Region Historical Society

**Summary:** In the summer of 2005 Marc and Su became members the Old Lead Region Historical Society (OLRHS). We continue to do some events of independents as well as many of the events on the Old Lead Regions Historical Societies schedule. (<http://www.oldleadregionhistoricalsociety.org> ).

## Fall 2005 – Lincoln’s New Salem Militia Muster

**Summary:** As members of Old Lead Region Historical Society (OLRHS) Marc and Su took part in the New Salem Militia Muster. Lincoln’s New Salem (<http://www.lincolnsnewsalem.com>) in Petersburg, IL is the reconstructed town of New Salem, IL where Abraham Lincoln got his start.

### *Marc*

- Sawyer journeyman in the form of a hewer
- Member of the 1836 New Salem Militia

### *Su*

- Tailor’s apprentice
- Tavern hand

## Fall 2005 – Milton, IL Rendezvous

**Summary:** As independents Marc and Su did the impression of an 1830’s sawyer and his wife.

### *Marc*

- Sawyer journeyman in the form of a hewer

### *Su*

- Spinster on the Jenson Castle double flyer wheel
- Period cooking

## Winter-Spring 2006 – Round Top, TX.

**Summary:** As independents, Marc and Su were doing the impression of an 1840's hewer and wife. Round Top, TX. (<http://www.roundtop.org/history.php>) is a historical town that dates back to the 1840's. The event was focused around the debate for the second presidential election for the Republic of Texas between David Burnet and Sam Houston.

### *Marc*

- Sawyer journeyman in the form of a hewer

### *Su*

- Tailor's apprentice
- Tavern hand

## Winter-Spring 2006 – Lincoln's New Salem

**Summary:** As independents, Marc and Su were doing an impression of Marc doing the impression of Joshua Miller the New Salem blacksmith and Su doing the impression of a tavern hand. Lincoln's New Salem State Historic Site (<http://www.lincolnsnewsalem.com>) is the reconstructed town of New Salem, IL where Abraham Lincoln got his start.

### *Marc*

- Town Blacksmith Joshua Miller.

### *Su*

- Tailor's apprentice
- Tavern hand

## *Spring 2006 – Lincoln's New Salem*

**Summary:** As members of Old Lead Region Historical Society (OLRHS) Marc and Su took part in the New Salem Militia Muster. Lincoln's New Salem (<http://www.lincolnsnewsalem.com>) in Petersburg, IL is the reconstructed town of New Salem, IL where Abraham Lincoln got his start.

### *Marc*

- Town Blacksmith Joshua Miller.
- Member of the 1836 New Salem Militia

### *Su*

- Tailor's apprentice

## *Spring 2006 – Lewis and Clark State Historic Site*

**Summary:** As independents, Marc and Su were doing an impression of Marc doing the impression of a sawyer and Su doing the impression of a washerwoman. Found at the Lewis and Clark State Historic Site in Hartford, IL. (<http://www.campdubois.com/events.html>) is the reconstructed of the **Camp River Dubois** constructed by the Lewis and Clark expedition and was the point of departure for the expedition.

### *Marc*

- The main sawyer for the planks needed for the preparation of the expedition.

### *Su*

- A washerwoman at the fort.

## *Spring 2006 – Fort Atkinson, WI*

**Summary:** As members of Old Lead Region Historical Society (OLRHS) Marc and Su took part in the New Salem Militia. At the Rock River Park in Fort Atkinson, WI there is a reconstruction of a fort similar to the one that existed during the Blackhawk Wars.

### ***Marc***

- Sawyer journeyman in the form of a hewer
- Member of the 1836 New Salem Militia

### ***Su***

- Tailor's apprentice

*Appendix A:*

*Stronghold Castle Event*



*Bristol Renaissance Event*



*Vincennes IN. Event*



*Trail of History Event*



*Saukville (Pioneer Village) Event*



*Milton, IL Event*



*Lincoln's New Salem - Petersburg, IL*



*1830's Impression Clothing:*



