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Middle Kingdom Awards – Youth
Next Business Meeting: Thursday, December 16, 2010
St. Timothy's Episcopal Church
Everyone welcome—No experience necessary!

CALENDAR

--Local and selected events only--

Consult **The Pale** or www.midrealm.org for complete event listings.

December 2010

7, 14, 21, 28 **Fighter Practice, Krannert Family Center**

- 4 Christmas Tourney {Barony of the Flame} [Elizabethtown, KY]
Toy's Tourney {Incipient Canton of Iron Oak} [New Lothrop, MI]
11 Hawkland Moor Wassail {Hawkland Moor} [Washington, MI]
Yule Feast {Canton of Hrothgeirsfordr} [Toledo, OH]
11-12 An Evening of Dance in Shattered Crystal
{Barony of Shattered Crystal} [Belleville, IL]
12 **Althing, Rotary Jail Museum, 12:30pm**
16 **Business Meeting, St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, 6:45-9pm**

January 2011

4, 11, 18, 25 **Fighter Practice, Krannert Family Center**

- 7-9 Chivalry Retreat {Midrealm Chivalry} [Wapakoneta, OH]
8 **Yule Court, St. Timothy's Episcopal Church**
Twelfth Night {Barony of Cynnabar} [Ann Arbor, MI]
15 Twelfth Night {Tree Girt Sea} [Chicago, IL]
Winter Revel {Rivenvale} [Youngstown, OH]
20 **Business Meeting, St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, 6:45-9pm**
22 Donnershafen's Twelfth Night {Barony of Donnershafen} [Kalkaska, MI]
22-23 Festival of Maidens XXXVIII: Seven Maidens for Seven Dragons
{Shire of Wurm Wald} [Urbana, IL]
Winter Revel {Canton of Three Walls} [Ionia, MI]

February 2011

1, 8, 15, 22 **Fighter Practice, Krannert Family Center**

- 5 Laurel's Retreat {Midrealm Laurels} [West Chester, OH]
Winter's End {Barony of Fenix} [Edgewood, KY]
12 St. Valentine's Day Massacre {Canton of Three Hills} [Kalamazoo, MI]
17 **Business Meeting, St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, 6:45-9pm**
19 **Better War Through Archery {Barony of Sternfeld} [Indianapolis, IN]**
Masque of Courtly Love {Alderford} [Canton, OH]
26 Candlemas {Shire of Dragonsmark} [Lexington, KY]
Eastwatch Dessert and Game Revel {Eastwatch} [Fairport Harbor, OH]

WHERE TO FIND US

- ❖ **FIGHTER PRACTICE** - Every Tuesday, 6:30-9 pm. **Krannert Family Center, 605 S. High School Road.** Contact Seneschal Lady Katrina (Katrina Pogue), katrinasternfeld@gmail.com.
- ❖ **BUSINESS MEETING** - Third Thursdays, 6:45-9 pm. **St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, 2601 E. Thompson Road.** Contact Seneschal Lady Katrina (Katrina Pogue), katrinasternfeld@gmail.com.
- ❖ **DEAD LANGUAGES CLUB** - Second Wednesdays, 7-9 pm. Master John and Mistress Leanore's house, 1626 Marlborough Lane. Contact Master John & Mistress Leanore (John & Ellie Wright), 317-872-7216, elliepel@aol.com.
- ❖ **OPEN HOUSE/READING NIGHTS** - Every Wednesday, 7-9 pm. Master John and Mistress Leanore's house, 1626 Marlborough Lane. Contact Master John and Mistress Leanore (John and Ellie Wright), 317-872-7216, elliepel@aol.com.
- ❖ **DANCE PRACTICE** - First and third Mondays, 6:30-9 pm. **St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, 2601 E. Thompson Road.** Contact Lady Brigide Rose von Metten, wulfarose@yahoo.com.
- ❖ **COOKS' GROUP** - First and third Sundays, 4-6 pm. Abot Johann's house, 3901 Marrison Place. Contact Abot Johann (Marcus Loidolt), mjloidolt@yahoo.com.
- ❖ **ARCHERY PRACTICE** - Every Wednesday, 6:30-9 pm. **4375 Sellers St.** Contact Lord Bran (Kelly Burgess), kburgess1@comcast.net.
- ❖ **MONTHLY BARDIC CIRCLES AND RANDOM POST-REVELS** - scheduled sporadically but enthusiastically. Contact Lady Floriana (Daisy Roberts Blair), 317-280-1930, or Lady Lucia (Kathi Coutinho), 317-293-0983.
- ❖ **GILDED COSTUMERS** - First Thursdays (& occasional weekends), 7-9 pm. Various locations. Contact THL Odette (Paula Ryan), 317-996-4630, odettedamboise@gmail.com.

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FROM THE SENE SCHAL



Greetings and Happy Holidays to all!

Lots of activities coming up; please be sure to welcome anyone new or even a face you haven't seen for a long time. Officers, please check your dates on all Domesday reports and have them in on time.

Meeting notes from 11-18-10:

Althing is Dec 12th. Please check the agenda below and let me know if there's anything you would like to discuss. The list may look short, but please realize it will take time to go through it all. No topic will be discussed unless you've spoken to me prior to the Althing!

Indy Parks has changed their policy on renting space. They will no longer be able to do a full trade for the price of the rental. We will be required to pay half the cost and can trade the rest for community service at the park. Our cost last year would have been \$2,250. This would put our cost at \$1,100 for the year. The first polling to pay this cost has been passed.

\$99 has been approved for the Chronicler.

Eadric (Cleve Johnson) has stepped forward to fill the office of the Archery Marshal. If anyone else is interested, the polling will take place at the next business meeting.

\$99 for fabric for loner garb was approved for the Chatelaine.

Partial report from Crown Tourney was made. An initial polling to donate our portion of the profit to the Royal Travel Fund was passed.

The first polling to approve Erzsebet as Simple Day autocrat was passed. Because the booking for this event is very late, we also polled to approve a committee to choose the site. The committee will include the autocrat, Baroness and seneschal.

We are looking for an autocrat for Baronial Birthday.

Althing Agenda:

Events -- Ever feel overworked?

Budget and Finances

- Yearly review
- Officer allowances
 - Coronet wants \$150
 - Comp'ing at events

Wishlist

- Thrones will need replaced down the road
- Archery items
- Freezer?
- Portable kitchen/ camp stove
- Camp sinks

Kingdom donation ideas

In your Service,

LADY KATRINA OF STERNFELD

















FROM THE KNIGHT'S MARSHAL



Winter is entering full swing. It's cold, and it's nasty. Thank you to everyone who comes to practice. It is a testament to your dedication and heart that we continue through these biting days.

In these dark times, celebrations of the cyclic turnings of the year, the holidays come. This is traditionally an extremely slow time for the fighting community. Many of us travel at this time of year to visit family, friends, or just to escape the inclement weather. That said, maintaining martial skill is, for me at least, essential when not traveling. This is true for three reasons in my mind: 1. It gives relief from some of the stresses that the holidays can cause. 2. Holiday food is often rich, and plentiful; fighting gives a venue for the burning of the energy provided by said food. 3. It's fun, and that is a major component of celebration.

Happy Holidays Everyone!
LORD ULFR IMASON



Congratulations to Lady Ysabel de la Zarza and Lord Bjorn Arnaldsson on the birth of their daughter, Dorothea Margaret, on November 30!



Congratulations to Lady Odile de Brienne and Lord Ulfr Imason on the birth of their daughter, Noëlle Emilia, on December 3!



Pregnancy watch: 3!





The date of 2011's Better War Through Archery has been decided for February 19, with Lord Brendan and Lady Liesl as the confirmed Autocrats. Please speak to them if you would like to volunteer to help in any way!



Lady Katrina has one bid in for Simple Day 2011, but additional bids are still being accepted. Speak to Lady Katrina if you think you are interested in autocratting this event!



It's never too soon to think about sending Their Majesties award recommendations. Better War is coming up fast, but you can also recommend people for any event that's part of the Royal Progress. The sooner you write recommendations, the sooner they are likely to be acted upon. Check out <http://www.midrealm.org/op/recommend/> today.



Costumer's Group is meeting Thursday, December 2, from 7 – 9 pm at Lady Odile's home (1208 Hoover Lane, Indianapolis). We will be cutting out tunics for the Chatelaine's box and organizing the completion of this project.



The Cooks' Group and Ars Rustica Group will be meeting from 4 – 6 pm at Abot Meister Johann von Metten's house (3901 Marrison Place, Indianapolis) on Sunday, December 5 and Sunday, December 19. The topic on the 5th will be cookies, rosettes, and fritters, while on the 21st it will be fondues and food gifts.



Dance Practice will be hosting a Winter Dance Party from 6:30 – 9 pm at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church (2601 E. Thompson Road): on Monday, December 6. There will be snacks (you can bring some, too!) and garb is encouraged, but not required. This is the final dance practice of the year. Dance will resume on January 17, 2011.

FROM THE ARTS AND SCIENCES MINISTER



Benedicte,
Aus Abot Johann von Metten, Ministerii Ars Baronia Sternfeldii

This past month the Cooks' Group had a great field trip to "Jungle Jim's International Market" just north of Cincinnati! It was a great trip and indeed WILL be repeated on at LEAST an annual basis!!

On the farmsteads the livestock have been either bred or slaughtered or otherwise laid up for winter, the cow and goat are bred and dried, the extra stock has been butchered and laid up in smoke or down in salt...eggs will be scarce with the daylight, but there shall be MEAT!!
Wine and cheeses are aging and await the winter's various feasts and holy days.

The first seed catalogs have come and the garden of your dreams is better than ever!!

As we enter into the winter season, now is the time to plot and plan and execute your Spring A&S entries for Barony, Region and Kingdom!!

If you are up to anything interesting arts wise, let us know! So we can cheer you on and ooo and ahhh as well!!

In Service to Art and Skill,
ABOT JOHANN VON METTEN



FROM THE CHRONICLER



Happy holidays to one and all, and may your December be full of festivities and merriment!

There's little to report on the Chronicler front as we wind down 2010. Domesday time is approaching, and we have a complete set of monthly publications to show for the past year. Look for me to recap some of the highlights in the January issue, including the promised report of most- (and least-!) reporting officers!

On a personal front, I would like to thank everyone for the help they've been in allowing me to carry out my job around the demands of a very fresh newborn. You all make my duties a million times easier, and I notice it more than ever at a time like this. Thank you!

LADY ODILE DE BRIENNE

FROM THE WEBMINISTER



Buon Giorno,

This month was light on updates to the Sternfeld website. The biggest change is the Better War Through Archery website is now live, although somewhat barren of information. It was brought to my attention that I wasn't really posting announcements of upcoming local events (like the business meeting, and various specialty group meetings) on the site, and that's something I'm going to try to do a better job of. Also, I'm pretty sure that the information on what groups meet and where is out of date. If your location has changed recently, please let me know so I can update your group's page on the site.

As regards the Sterncast, well, there hasn't been one in a while. It's a fairly decent time commitment, and I've not had the time, sadly. It's not been abandoned, it's just looking like it's going to become a more "as possible" thing vs. a monthly thing.

Yours in Service,
LORD ANTONIO BELLINI

CIBITS

Forester Bran is looking for his replacement as Archery Marshal. This person heads up the weekly archery practices, files paperwork, and generally fosters the Sternfeld archery community. If you're interested in taking on this office, please attend the November business meeting and/or speak to Baroness Moira or Lady Katrina.

A Baronial Althing will be held at 12:30pm on Sunday, December 12, at the Rotary Jail Museum in Crawfordsville, IN (225 N. Washington St.). Typically this runs like a business meeting on steroids, with the idea being that we have time to hash out larger items of Baronial policy and planning than usual business meeting limits allow. There will probably be discussion of a budget for 2011, among other things. If you have items of business you wish to discuss, you **must** contact Lady Katrina to have them added to the agenda in advance. Please come! This is your chance to be involved in the direction the Barony is headed, plus there is always plenty of fun socializing afterwards. Food, beverages, children, and projects are all welcome.

Combat championships (both armored and rapier) will take place at Fighter Practice on Tuesday, January 4, in advance of Yule Court. Those fighters who would like to compete or to defend their titles are requested to appear before Their Excellencies upon this day!

Yule Court is coming up on January 8, with Master Eirik and Lady Ciara as the Autocrats. This will be held at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church starting at 11:00 am or so, and running all day. Expect such activities as the 2nd Annual Baronial Cooking Competition, possibly a Gold Tower meeting, Baronial Court, induction of new Baronial Champions, probable period gaming, and a pitch-in dinner in the evening. Plus whatever else anyone can think of. It's a low-key chance to spend time with your Barony around the holidays, so don't miss it!

The second of these awards, the Baton, is given “to youth of the Kingdom who, in the sight of the Crown, have displayed chivalry and enthusiasm in the martial arts (*MK Law XVII-2802*.)” Children under 18 may participate in both armored and rapier combat, as well as archery and thrown weapons activities, and it is for these endeavors that they are recognized with the Baton. The badge which may be displayed for this award is a black mace against a gold background.

The third award is given “to the youth of the Kingdom who, in the sight of the Crown, have displayed enthusiasm and effort in the arts and sciences (*MK Law XVII-2902*),” and is known as the Silver Acorn. A child might receive this award for completing a project in any art or science, or for performing in verse or in a play, or similar endeavors. The badge is three white acorns displayed on a red vertical stripe against a white background.

None of these three awards convey any precedence, and all of them may be given to the same individual more than once, for different instances of service, prowess, or skill.



FROM THE MINISTER OF YOUTH

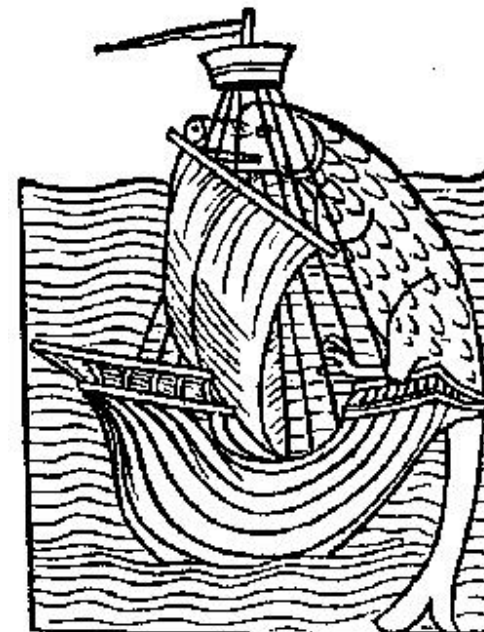


For the last publication of 2010, I wish everyone a Happy New Year! And a big huzzah to a hopefully great year for 2011! As to this past year, I'm very thankful for everyone's help at events and also kind condolences on my mother's passing in August. It has been a full year for all of Sternfeld as well. With the arrival of new babies and more on the way, our Barony is always growing! Say hi to all of our new members and especially to our new Baronial born babies!

See everyone at the Althing on the 4th anniversary of my 30th birthday! lol And especially our upcoming Baronial Yule. I'll have a box of fun things for the kids to do in the nursery; I hope to see you there!

Keep warm by the hearth fire and enjoy all your loved ones in this holiday season!

LADY EMME FOSTER OF WHICKAM





To The Populace of the Barony of Sternfeld does the Cooking Guild
Announce a Grand

COOKING COMPETITION

At Yule this year on January 8, the Cooking Guild of Sternfeld will be holding *The Second Annual Cooking Competition*, in an effort to promote the Art of Cooking within the Barony. The winner will have the bragging rights to the title “*Baronial Cooking Champion*” for one year, a beautiful traveling Glass Bowl, an Apron to which the winner’s name will be added, and prizes will be awarded for 2nd and 3rd place.

(Please note that we are hoping to make this a yearly event to promote cooking within the Barony and this is not the Baronial A&S Champion position.)

Please see the simple guidelines below for the Competition:

- 1.) Single Dish – any type (meat, vegetable, or desert).
- 2.) Must include a list of Ingredients Used (If possible please no Juniper as His Excellency has an Allergy).
- 3.) Must include how the dish was made.
- 4.) Minimum Documentation (Single page OK).
 - a. Can include substations with reason provided (such as “because of cost I used ...”, or “if I were making this in period I would have used...”)
 - b. Extra points could be awarded if also included information on how the dish was cooked in period
- 5.) Must be able to Document Recipe from 600~1600 A.D.
- 6.) Proposed Judges: Their Excellencies (one or both), and others to be named.
- 7.) After judging the dishes will be used as part of the Baronial Yule meal.

At the meetings of the Baronial Cooking Guild we will have books available for any who wish to do a little research or look up possible recipes. Please remember cooking is fun and this is a forum for new cooks and experienced cooks to showcase their craft.

In Service to the Barony of Sternfeld,

thl WALDETRUDIS VON METTEN



MIDDLE KINGDOM AWARDS - youth

The SCA is a diverse organization, which over the decades of its existence has expanded to include many families and, as a byproduct of this, children. It is no surprise that some Midrealm awards have been created specifically to recognize the achievements of these youngest SCAdians. Youth awards are unique in that they can only be given to children, whereas the other awards we have discussed may be given to any person, regardless of age. While the term ‘youth’ as used in Kingdom Law is not strictly defined, custom seems to have settled on anyone under the age of 18 as a potential recipient of these awards. It seems customary to consider these awards first for younger children, before acknowledging their efforts in their field with a more ‘adult’ award, though these too are often given prior to reaching an age of majority: for example, when considering a ten-year-old child who engages actively in the arts community, the Silver Acorn might be considered first, but if the child continues to make progress and show interest in the arts, he or she might then be granted a Willow (the first ‘adult’ arts award) several years later. Youth awards are an especially good way of recognizing the achievements and interests of younger members, while leaving them awards as yet unattained for them to strive for as they mature into young adults.



The three main areas of activity into which the peerages are divided mirror the awards which are given specifically to youth. The first, the Dragon’s Treasure, is given “to youth of the Kingdom who, in the sight of the Crown, have rendered exemplary service to their Kingdom (*MK Law XVII-2702*).” While exemplary service is not defined, it goes without saying that the service which a child may provide differs somewhat from the service expected of an adult, and varies still more depending upon the age of the child in question. Still, a child may teach classes, or serve tables at Feast, or act as a guard, or volunteer at demos, or help clean up a site or a kitchen after an event. Those who receive this award may display the badge, which is a green dragon’s arm as shown above, clutching a white disc with a red stripe down its middle.