

The Sternfeld Star

BARONY OF STERNFELD

MARCH 2013, A.S. XLVII



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Next Business Meeting: Thursday, March 20, 2013

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.

March 2013

5, 12, 19, 26 **Fighter Practice, Krannert Family Center**

2 [Midlands Regional A&S Faire](#)

{St. Carol on the Moor} [Effingham, IL]

[North Oaken Regional Academy of Defense](#)

{Marche of the Thistle} [Dalton, OH]

9 [Eastwatch Game and Dance Revel V](#)

{Shire of Eastwatch} [Fairport Harbor, OH]

10-17 Gulf Wars XXI

{Kingdom of Gleann Abhann} [Lumberton, MS]

16 Mynydd Seren Textiles Day

{Shire of Mynydd Seren} [Bloomington, IN]

20 **PALE DEADLINE FOR May 2013**

23 Grand Tournament of the Unicorn

{Marche of the Unicorn} [Oxford, OH]

[Stone Dog IX](#)

{Canton of Grey Gargoyles} [Chicago, IL]

[Winter's End](#)

{Barony of Fenix} [Cincinnati, OH]

April 2013

2, 9, 16, 23, 30 **Fighter Practice, Krannert Family Center**

6 [North Oaken Arts & Sciences](#)

{Barony of Brendoken} [Canton, OH]

[Rites of Spring](#)

{Barony of Illiton} [Bartonville, IL]

[Terpsichore at the Tower XIX](#)

{Barony of Cynnabar} [Saline, MI]

12-13 [Quest for the Golden Seamstress](#)

{Canton of Brackendelve} [Dearborn, MI]

12-14 Spring Training

{Shire of Rivenvale} [Warren, OH]

[South Oaken Regional Arts and Sciences Competition](#)

{Barony of the Flame} [Louisville, KY]

20 **PALE DEADLINE FOR June 2013**

[A Day at the Castle and Pentamere Regional A&S Faire](#)

{Incipient Canton of Northgate} [Canadian Lakes, MI]

[Constellation Scribal Retreat](#)

{Shire of Mynydd Seren} [Bloomington, IN]

[MOVED FROM 5-11-2013] This Land is Our Land

- {Shire of Shadowed Stars} [Fort Wayne, IN]
- Winged Hills Collegium
 - {Canton of Winged Hills} [Kettering, OH]
- 25-28 [Blackstone Raid XXII](#)
 - {Barony of Blackstone Mountain (Kingdom of Aethelmearc)} [Ripley, WV]
- 27 **[MOVED FROM April 6, 2013]** [It Takes My Child to Raze a Village V](#)
 - {Canton of Weldlake} [Howell, MI]
- Three Saints
 - {Barony of Rivenstar} [Lafayette, IN]

May 2013

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

- 10-11 [Mayhem III](#)
 - {Shire of Aurea Ripae} [Philpot, KY]
- 10-12 [Constellation Academy of Defense](#)
 - {Shire of Mynydd Seren} [Spencer, IN]
- 11 [Midrealm Heraldic and Scribal Symposium](#)
 - {Canton of Catteden} [Vanlue, OH]
- [Squires' Tourney and Baronial Investiture](#)
 - {Canton of Ealdnorwuda} [Howell, MI]
- 16-19 Aethelmearc War Practice XXIV
 - {Canton of Steltonwald [Kingdom of Aethelmearc]} [Slippery Rock, PA]
- 17-19 [Battle of the Inland Seas XIX welcomes Butts & Bales](#)
 - {Shire of Altenberg} [Armada, MI]
- [Mugmort Melees](#)
 - {Shire of Mugmort} [Granville, OH]
- 18 [Border Raids](#)
 - {Shire of Crimson River [Kingdom of Meridies]}
- [St. Cecilia at the Tower](#)
 - {Barony of Cynnabar} [Saline, MI]
- 20 PALE DEADLINE FOR JULY 2013
- 25-26 [Kingdom A&S and Spring Crown Tournament](#)
 - {Shire of Greyhope} [Hammond, IN]
- 31-2 [Chaos Caravan](#)
 - {Shire of Greyhope} [LaPorte, IN]
- [Death, Taxes, and Althings](#)
 - {Canton of Dun Traigh} [Holland, MI]
- [Push for Pennsic - South Oaken War Practice](#)
 - {Marche of Havenholde} [Pleasant Hill, OH]



From the Baron & Baroness



To the fine people of the Barony of Sternfeld, greetings.

There is much going on in the Barony and we are excited about it. We look forward to seeing how the many baronial A&S entries do at Kingdom. Good luck to all of you. We hope your entries in the Baronial A&S championship are coming along, Baronial birthday is soon. Which reminds us that the Armored and Rapier championships are scheduled for June 6th. Please enter if you are so inclined, we would be pleased to have a large field of combatants for each.

We recently attended the Meet and Greet, a question and answer session with the two pairs of candidates in the up-coming Baronial Poll. Both sets of candidates will make excellent leaders for the Barony's next five years. We encourage you to seek them out with any questions or concerns you may have. Please participate in the polling when it occurs, the crown likes to see a large percentage of the population voting.

We can't help bragging about the Barony's efforts to increase our population and that of Their Majesties kingdom. We have six babies due by the end of the year.

There is just so much going on here it is hard to keep track of it all. You make us proud.

In service,

Baroness Moira and Baron Torquil





From the Seneschal



Greetings!

Our next couple of months are going active!

A polling will be conducted to provide counsel to the Crown on choosing a new Baron/Baroness for the Barony of Sternfeld. This will tentatively take place in the month of May. Non member polls will be available on the Middle Kingdom Seneschals website.

If you are interested in pursuing the rolls of Baron and/or Baroness, please see Their Excellencies and me. The deadline for all interested is March 29th.

There will be a Meet and Greet with the candidates in April.

<Note from the Chronicler: The following paragraph is from the April minutes, which you will see again in the May Star. I wanted to add this information here, since it is somewhat time-sensitive.>

Stepping down after Baronial Birthday. Three people have stepped forward who are willing to take on the position - Wulfwen, Ysabel, and Valadar have all put their names in the hat. Wulfwen and Ysabel were at the meeting and asked to say a few words about their credentials and interest in the position. First polling will be next month. It's not too late to put your hat in the ring. Please contact the seneschal by the time that Announcements happen the Tuesday before next month's business meeting to get on the list of candidates

Kat





Greetings from your Chronicler.

Sorry this is late. I thought I completed it, then work swallowed the month of March and took a huge bite out of April.

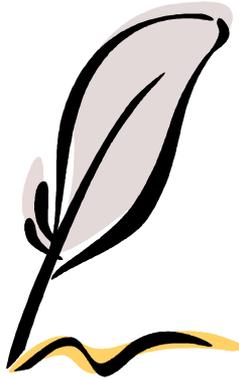
Some of the April information is in this one, and some will be in the May edition. Sorry, folks, I dropped the ball. I'm working on picking it back up.

I am also working on another format. I may work with Antonio to make a more Web-friendly version.

We have two couples running for Baron and Baroness. They are Ulfr and Odile and Johann and Waldetrudis. Get your polling votes in quickly...May 18 is the last date your vote can be post marked.

YIS,

Lady Brigide Kois von Aletten





From the webMinister

Buon Giorno,

January and February was a fairly normal month for the web site - lots of updates were posted. The Baronial Meeting Minutes for the last two months (by the time you read this, February's will have been posted). Weekly Fighter Practice announcements have also been posted. Please make use of the new announcements page - it helps those of you who don't make the Business Meetings or Fighter Practice stay aware of what's going on in the Barony.

The event website for BWTA was updated continuously in the weeks and days leading up to the event, and once again we had substantial information for anyone who wanted it. I received some feedback regarding the BWTA site, namely that several people thought the site fee was less than it was. After checking into it, the information listed online was correct, but there are so many options at most of our events (camping, feast, lunch, etc.), that I should make an effort to express the information in a more concise format to avoid confusion. I plan to do this for Simple Day's website, which has even more options.

Speaking of Simple Day, the website for that event will be going up soon. If a bid is received for Baronial Birthday at the next business (already past by the time you read this), there will be a mini-site for Baronial Birthday going up as well. All major and minor officers are reminded that they have been asked to provide a photo (ideally in garb) and a bio (doesn't have to be in persona, but certainly can) for the website. The purpose behind this is to help newcomers know who some of us are and what interests we have within the SCA.

A reminder to all Feastocrats: we have a tradition going back a few years now to post complete ingredient lists for each item in a feast. This is to help individuals with allergies determine whether they can eat feast or not, and if they can, which dishes they can eat. We have so many with allergies and special diets in the SCA, and while it is not required, it's good practice. The more information we can provide, the better!

YIS,

Lord Antonio Bellini



From the Minister of Youth

Better War Through Archery was a blast! With the help of Caristonia and visits by Estelle and Krystal and a few new children's faces, lots of fun was had! We had a slim show even with many children on site, so my spies have told me there were many either loitering or trying to kill haybales. Glad to hear we have some new and young archers in training!

As I hope everyone else also had loads of fun, let's see you at our next event!

In the works of getting Caristonia as my official deputy. And the huzzahs need to continue with her great bounds of energy! We discussed a little of what she can bring to the office in the future, as well as present ambitions. We both would like our older but younger little SCAdians to join Page School and start their service participation in the many areas available at our events. There are many places besides the play area, crafts and activities at Children's/Youth Point where our youngins can help!

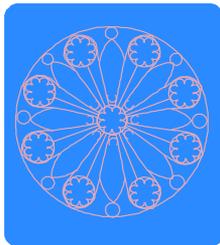
We have a few fun water games planned for Simple Day! Onto planning for our summer event! Let's pray it's not too hot and not too cold!

With the cold fronts coming back, remember, only you can save on your electric bill... one word, blankets!

Happy March everyone!

Lady Emme Foster of Whickam

"Tribuo quod vos mos suscipio" ~ Give and you will receive



From the Outgoing Minister of Arts & Sciences



Benedicte,

It has been my great pleasure to serve you, the populace of the fair Barony of Sternfeld as your MoAS for the past several years. I have enjoyed seeing your weirdness flourish into some remarkable artistic endeavors, both successes and set backs, I pray I may see many more of them!!

In the 30 years I have been part of this group I have seen many come and go and many changes, yet one thing that remains is the core spirit of this group, of openness and acceptance of all who come with a willing heart and an understanding spirit and a driving desire to know more about the Middle Ages...

I pray that you hold Lord Duncan in the same regard has you have myself and I pray that he grows to love you as I have.

Yours in Service to the Arts and our Society

Master Johann von Metten, OL..

MoAS Emeritus

Chatelaine Emeritus

Herald Emeritus

Gads...they kinda pile up don't they!!!??



From the Incoming Minister of Arts & Sciences



Ciamar a tha sibh! Thank you for this opportunity to serve you as the Minister of Arts & Sciences for our fair Barony. Please join me in thanking Abot Johann for his service these past few years.

Constellation Regional A&S was well run and successful. If you missed entering, remember that you can enter in any regional competition. You still have several opportunities to enter. I would also like to commend Rose of Sternfeld on her Pentathlon completion! For her to do this at such a young age should inspire the rest of us to work to enter at least one individual item for next year.

The Constellation Scribal Retreat is coming up on April 20th in Bloomington. See the website here: <https://sites.google.com/site/constellationscribalretreat/home> it is also linked from the Midrealm calendar.

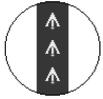
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I look forward to serving you. If you need something, please feel free to ask. If I don't know, I will make every attempt to find someone to answer your question.

In your service,

Duncan





From the Archery Captain

Better War was wonderful! We had approximately 90 shooters this year, and they all had a wonderful time. Two of our own—Duchess Elina and Lady Ilža—completed their archery MiT authorizations to pave the way for them to become marshals. Hoobah!

We have two new archery MiTs who just started working on authorizations—Lady Cecily O'Donell and Stephen Hanes. Another member of our barony has approached me as well to start the MiT process. It is wonderful to see people step up to the line and express interest in serving, especially since our archer's group is growing. Practices have been averaging about 20 people in the last couple of months!

The next big event for Sternfeld is Simple Day, and there is something special being planned for archery activities. More to come as details take shape!

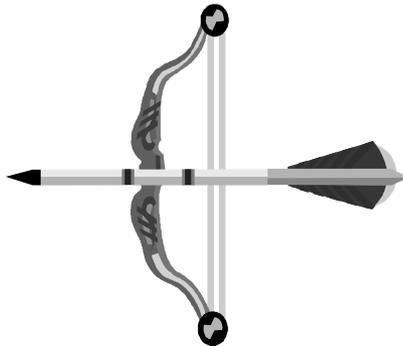
Feel free to contact me at archery@sternfeld.org to express your interest in archery or ask questions. Wednesday practices are from 7 to 9 PM. All are welcome to join us!

YIS,

Lord Eadric of Grenefeld

Pandus planto populus mico!

Blaford Eadric of Grenefeld





February Business Meeting Minutes

35 (!) Gentles in Attendance

Baronial - Thanks for everyone at BWTA. Master Johann and Abess Waltrudis have put their names in the hat for Baronial Polling, as have Lady Odile and Lord Ulfr. Meet and Greet in April, Polling in May, to be installed most likely at Simple Day. Contact the Baron and Baroness and the Seneschal if you are also interested. Sternfeld had an overwhelming majority of the entries in Constellation A&S at BWTA, winning the challenge that was presented. People have started to register for Pennsic. If camping with Sternfeld, and you have before, go ahead and sign up and confirm with Moira (the land agent) that she sees you. If you've not camped with Sternfeld before, please talk to Moira before registering so she can discuss the rules, etc. Cutoff for Pennsic prereg is earlier this year - get your registrations in please!

GREAT OFFICERS:

Seneschal - On April 14th we will have a meet and greet for the Baronage candidates. It will be held during the afternoon at the Chase Legacy Center. It will be a question and answer session, so start thinking of good questions! Wear your best garb! The SCA Corporate Lawsuit Settlement has occurred. Middle Kingdom received 70% back from SCA Inc. Sternfeld originally contributed \$5500, and would be eligible to get back up to \$3850. We have about \$11,000 in the bank as of the end of January. A motion was raised that we would like \$3000 of the \$5500 back. First polling passed. (This works out to 55% of what we originally submitted.) The emergency finance committee polled again so we could meet our deadline to respond to the Middle Kingdom in the time they wish. Second polling passed.

Herald - Absent, no report this month.

Chronicler - The February Newsletter was published. The March Newsletter will be published soon. Submit articles and stories!

Exchequer - The event brought in slightly more than \$4000. We had 181 pay on the day of the event of, plus 42 pre-registrations. We made \$143.73 on the event, plus we will be receiving about \$500 more from the deposit on the site. The Kingdom Exchequer liked how troll was run and it's likely going to become the Kingdom procedure. The Domesday, once complete and approved, will be posted on the website and possibly also in the newsletter.

Marshals:

Heavy - Got some new elbows. Decent turnout of at least 5-6 people. Things are going well! The practice at BWTA went well.

Fence - Continued to have good turnout. One youth has been showing up pretty regularly and one possibly starting soon. Regional practice on the 2nd Tuesday is still going well. Tons of Marshals and MITs, which is always good.

Archery - Archery is going extremely well. There were 20 shooters even with a few regulars not present this week. About 90 shooters were at BWTA. Ilja has completed her Marshalate paperwork and is working on getting signed off. There's two other MITs, Cecily and Stephen. Starting the first week of April, archery night will be moved to the 1st, 2nd, and 4th Thursdays from 7 pm to 9 pm.

Youth - Absent, no report this month. There were some youth at BWTA.

Equestrian - Starts March 3rd - THIS SUNDAY!!! At 2 PM. The details are on the website. Mostly will be a discussion meeting to decide how we are running practice. There will be a few loaner horses available to rent. People need to be able to prepare/saddle a horse and ride it a bit. People not interested in riding but who want to help out with resetting games, etc. are welcome.

Chirurgeon - Absent, but there was a minor injury at BWTA that didn't require a chirurgeon.

MoAS - Thanks to Johann for his years of service. A longer report is attached below these notes...

LESSER OFFICES:

Chatelaine - We have new people, including a bunch of new archers at archery practice. There were new people at BWTA. Next project is finishing organization of Gold Key Garb. If you borrowed garb to repair it, please return it!

Minister of Youth - BWTA was fun. Five children attended children's pointe. Caristonia was a big help.

Property Master - We still have a ton of stuff (believe it or not). We are going to start working on wooden signs for events and some new signs for Troll plus some form of crowd control "velvet ropes" for Troll at events. The Baroness volunteered that she may have something that would help with that.

Prize Czar - Not much to report. Archery did a good job of finding their own prizes for the event that were themed to archery.

Web Minister - We have a website. Simple Day website will be up soon - I've been sent information, and I'm working off last year's site.

EVENTS:

BWTA - From the Feastocrat - one of the smoothest feasts we've had! Very little food came back to the kitchen! Lunch went well, we sold out. She'd like the funds earmarked for the scribal supply closet. The people in attendance agreed this was very reasonable. The judges lunch was great. Merchants liked the layout of the merchants area this year. There were questions about the archers line being shorter than we'd like. It's possible that in the future, the archery field will be rotated to

make the line a little bit longer. Mynnyd Seren might be willing to loan us an additional net so that additional firing space might be possible. A lot of people thought check in for Troll was actually where the main entrance to the building is - this should be considered for the future. Next year's autocrat should use these notes! There were 28 entrants and 32 judges. Not too many issues, a successful divisional championship and pentathlon. All but a few pieces qualified to go on to Kingdom. We didn't need four runners for the A&S Faire - two would have been sufficient. Number of entries is slightly lower than the other regions. The later in February we can do this event (if we are hosting the A&S faire) the better. A suggestion of the 22nd and 23rd of February would be a good time to run this event in 2014. The possibility of hosting this event at Hendricks County again is likely - Kat will call and hold the site for us for that date since we've got that site figured out pretty well.

Baronial Birthday - Cordelia and Rose are both interested in possibly running Baronial Birthday. Both are given the month to prepare their bids - please come with your bids, including an inexpensive site, to the March business meeting. Johann has expressed an interest in mentoring whoever gets the bid. Possible dates being floated are June 2nd or June 9th, both Sundays as the Saturdays all have major events scheduled.

Simple Day - Nearly all department heads are in place. The activities are going to be essentially the same, including the same schedule. The cookie tourney may or may not be happening. Elisabetta has been given the information for ACCEPS, which will hopefully be posted on April 1st. Bead Rescue will be at the event. Six classes have already been presented. Department heads are in place.

Demo - Oaks Academy on March 9th at 10 am, need fencers and heavy!

Fishers Ren Faire - Discussion. We've been partially invited back. They specifically want heavy and pike drills (no fencing, archery, or the village). The Faire's concerns are the cost and space required for the full setup we've done in the past. We'd be doing 3 heavy weapons shows and 2 pike drill shows. Looking for 21 fighters - we've had 40 people on site in the past, so our headcount will be about half of what it was in the past. We'll be hearing more about what is looked for in a month or two.

MOAS Report Follows:

In General: The Constellation Scribal Retreat is coming up on April 20th in Bloomington. The following is from Lord Ian the Green:

"The Constellation Scribal Retreat is a scribal focused event with no Arts Martial designed to build up and support the wonderful scribes of the Middle Kingdom. Come; bring your pens, inks, paint brushes, pigments, paints, scribal desks, and sundry scribal materials and tools as well as a friend. Join us in a fun and magical day of scribal geekery. Make new friends, learn new things, and get more grounded in things you already know."

"Our day will be filled with:

- A scribal show, tell and try area.
- Tracks of classes.
- An all day Scribal Play area.
- One on one tutoring times with Peers of Calligraphy and Illumination!
- The Dragon Signet will be present and will be giving a keynote talk during lunch.
- Lunch will be served on site, but there is no feast."

Costumers - planning a garb camp but the date and time have not been firmed up.

Brewers - Due to a lack of sufficient time to properly keep the group in motion, Antonio is handing over leadership of the Brewing/Vintners/Cordial-ling Group to Mistress Wulfwen. She will be organizing meet-ups and events, as well as moderating the Sternfeld Fermenter's Yahoo Group.

Cooks - Sunday's Cooks Guild was canceled so our cooks can recover from the feast. If you enjoyed the feast be sure to thank them! They work very hard and heads down building up to a feast.

Ars Rustica - Hatchery catalogs are all in, as are nursery catalogs. We've had one mass order for seeds already and Abot Johann knows of at least one order for a dozen goslings. He's also ordered some chicks from Sandhill Preservation but not from Murray McMurray yet. He has not yet heard what Odile or Ysabel want to do. Next meeting is in March.

Performance Arts - Colette has been meeting with Contra/Folk Dancers - she's also teaching English Country at Garfield Park every two months.

Largesse - Rois has created a Largess exchange program. Kind of like a secret Santa exchange. See her for details.

Bardic - Daisy will be hosting a Bardic circle at her home this Saturday (2/23) at 7:30. Let her know if anyone needs directions.



March Business Meeting Minutes

In Attendance: Torquil, Eadric, Ronan, Duncan, Wulfwen, Elisabetta, Rurik, Kiltigern, Matheus, Bjorn, Isabel, Ciara, Eirik, Brandon, Karla, Cornelia, Azrael, Ulfr, Odile, Antonio, Maria plus Various Children and Dogs

Baron & Baroness: There's a little over a week to put your names in for the upcoming Baronial polling - the deadline is the end of the month. So far we have two couples interested: Johann & Waldetrudis and Ulfr & Odile.

Seneschal: Baronial meet and greet is 14-Apr-2013. Until otherwise notified by Kingdom, all Department Heads for events must be a paid member. Kat plans to resign after Simple Day. Anyone interested in the office should let her know. Wulfwen and Isabel expressed interest.

Herald: Not present; no report sent.

Chronicler: Report sent via Antonio. The March issue of The Star should go to press next week.

Exchequer: We need to do a second polling for the financial policy. Poll was held and passed. Sternfeld has \$12,757.90 in the bank. We're still waiting for the deposit to be returned from BWTA; it was sent to an old address. Domesday has been finalized. Trailer registration is updated.

Elisabetta suggests that we rent a PO Box, to maintain a consistent address for official mailings. There is a Post Office about 1.5 miles from St. Timothy's. The rent for the smallest box is around \$60 annually. A polling was held and passed to approve a PO Box as long as the rent is \$100 or less annually. Elisabetta asked whether we should get a box near St. Timothy's or near Fighter Practice. It was agreed that the group prefers it to be near St. Timothy's.

Marshall, Heavy: We have practice.

Marshall, Fence: Fencing is going well; a good number of people show up every week.

Marshall, Archery: The landlord for archery practice requires named insurance. This will cost \$50. A polling was held and passed to get the insurance. The practice will remain on Wednesdays. We may need to find another indoor practice venue later this year. Valadar may or may not be able to continue to host us at his shop.

Marshall, Youth: Not present. Kat reported that there hasn't been any activity lately.

Equestrian: We held our first practice and it went well! There were 10 people total. The next practice will be scheduled in a few weeks. We may have visitors coming from Bloomington. Do we have the insurance certificate? Kat will verify and let her know ASAP.

Chirurgeon: Not present; Kat advised there was no report.

A&S:

- Constellation Scribal Retreat is in Bloomington this April.
- Costumers' was held at St. Timothy's. The meeting was active and fun.
- Odette judged at Midlands A&S and will be judging at South Oaken.
- Brewers' Guild will be meeting in April; date and time TBD.
- Cooks' Guild met and discussed Siege Cooking Competitions.
- No update from Ars Rustica or Bardic.
- Cornelia will be taking over Largesse League.
- Elisabetta has button blanks available for anyone who wants a set.
- Colette is teaching English Country Dance at Garfield Park on April 11. Contact her for details.

Chatelaine: Cornelia read a report from Austorga. Austorga will attend archery practice once a month, since several new folks attend. If you meet new folks at an activity, please let Austorga know!

Minister of Youth: Not in attendance; Kat advised she has no report. Isabel and Bjorn are expecting - congratulations!

Property Master: We still have two tons of stuff.

Prize Czar: Not present; no report.

Web Minister: We have a website! Simple Day site is up, but it is pending many answers from Waldetrudis. If you have updates or need to add something to the website, especially the calendar, let Antonio know. Antonio needs bios and pictures from at least half the officers. We've received the renewal notice for Sternfeld.org - this is our chance to transfer it from Ronan's personal property to Sternfeld property

Baronial Birthday: Cornelia has a proposal. Rose has decided not to bid.

- Proposed date: Sunday, 9-Jun-2013, 2:00 - dusk. Proposed site: Krannert shelter.
- Proposed budget: \$150 for food, \$100 for site rental.
- Johann has agreed to mentor Cornelia.

Polled and passed for Cornelia to run the event as described.

Torquil mentioned that this will likely be his and Moira's last baronial court. If you think anyone should receive awards, please send in recommendations right away. Kat mentioned that the baronial A&S Championship will be held that day. The theme is the Sternfeld arms in any medium.

Simple Day 2013: Plans proceed.

Pennsic: Isabel will not be at Pennsic this year. She will organize camp in advance, but needs an on-site deputy to be Camp Mom or Dad. If you're interested, please let her know. Torquil mentioned that Moira is still the land agent, but will have to leave earlier than normal to get back to work. Rose will be taking the trailer to Pennsic and back.

Fishers' Ren Faire: We haven't heard anything from them yet, and don't expect to for a couple of months or so.

General News: Bids are being accepted for Yule Court and BWTA.





Althing Meeting Minutes

Overall:

Drafts of changes to the Baronial Bylaws and Baronial Financial policy were distributed. A copy of these policies will be edited with changes discussed at this meeting - these revised documents will be posted to the website and to the Sternfeld list, as well in the Sternfeld Star. These policy changes will be voted on at the next two business meetings, so there is opportunity to suggest changes between this meeting and the next two business meetings. Polling on the finalized versions of these documents is planned for December and January.

Financial Policy:

Our Exchequer (Elisabetta) presented the Financial Policy for the Barony. Discussion occurred regarding how the signatories (other than the Exchequer, Seneschal, and Regional Exchequer) are changed out. Do they need to be changed regularly? What are the criteria?

The outgoing Exchequer will not be retained as a signatory.

After discussion it was decided that an announcements page will be made on the website to post weekly announcements, including any financial decisions over \$100, in addition to announcing them at a weekly meeting. When possible, these financial decisions will be published in the Star as well.

Article 7 Section 7.05 was proposed to be stricken from the Bylaws, as the same policy is covered in the financial policy. Proposed wording was discussed. (This is Financial Policy 2e.) Wording will be drafted.

There is a form for all reimbursements or advances. It will be made available via the website along with other financial policies and forms.

Bylaws Revisions:

Throughout the bylaws, wherever the Star is mentioned as a place to publish information, the website will be added as well. Additionally, locations in the bylaws where financial policies are dictated will be removed, with a reference to the Financial Policies document.

(Article VI) Champions:

- Strike the phrase "No Champion may compete to succeed him or herself." from Section 6.02.
- Strike the phrase ", once in the month preceding the Baronial Birthday and once in the month preceding the Baronial Holiday Court." from Section 6.03 This is to allow flexibility in scheduling the changes of champions.
- Strike the same phrase in the previous item from 6.04 as well.
- Strike the phrase "at the Better War Through Archery event, or another event chosen by the Coronet," from 6.05.
- (The preceding 3 changes are for the same reason.)
- Change "according to the A&S criteria of the Middle Kingdom and the wishes of the Coronet." to "according to the wishes of the Coronet." from 6.06.
- Also change 6.06 to remove "and judged at the Baronial Birthday".
- Also change 6.06 to remove "and the current A&S Champion" and replace with "and others invited by the Coronet."

(Article VII) Events:

Discussion of how to word and or change 7.01 "The Barony shall hold a maximum of three (3) large events per calendar year." A rewording is due from the people working on it by December 13th.

- 7.01.a Strike "1st quarter of the year" to remove the required date range to allow it to happen at other times when needed.
- 7.01.c Strike that item entirely. It's an optional event.
- 7.01.c.i Strike entirely.
- 7.01.c.ii Strike entirely - due to more hotels having been built around Indianapolis, the Indy 500 makes it no longer a problem to hold events that weekend.

2013 Officer Budgets:

Were passed on first polling (will poll again at December 2012 Business Meeting).

As follows:

- \$300.00 Archery
- \$25.00 Chatelaine
- \$50.00 Chirurgion
- \$150.00 Chronicler
- \$150.00 Coronet
- \$25.00 Exchequer
- \$150.00 Herald

- \$25.00 Knight's Marshal
- \$100.00 MOAS
- \$25.00 MoY
- \$500.00 Prize Czar
- \$500.00 Property
- \$25.00 Fencing Marshal
- \$100.00 Seneschal
- \$100.00 Youth Marshal
- \$2,225.00 TOTAL

These funds are funds that are pre-approved for spending by the officer/deputies in question without further approval. Any projects or money outside this budget that must be spent can be passed via pollings at Business Meetings.

Baronial Inventory:

Reminder. If you have stuff and it belongs to the Barony. Please send a complete list of the individual items you have to the Exchequer BEFORE December 31st. The sooner the better.





TIDBITS



Also, I hear that we have a brand-new web interface for Baronial award submissions too! Visit <http://www.midrealm.org/sternfeld/awards.php> to send recommendations straight to Their Excellencies from the ease of your own home. Seriously, the Baron and Baroness really want to reward people for their service to Sternfeld. But they need your recommendations. Get them in now for the Try Something New event.



We now have two...count them, 2! ... Bardic circles! One is a performance-based Bardic run by Floriana/Daisy. Look for postings on the Sternfeld Yahoo! Group. The other Bardic circle is a Learning Bardic, where people gather to share information/music/stories and learn from each other. Those are set on the same Sunday of every other Cook's Guild (the next one will be in December). Again, keep your eyes on the Sternfeld Yahoo! Group for more details.



Pregnancy watch: I saw at Better War that Countess Runa is due soon. Apparently Kabiri's lady wife is also expecting. We can also list Guen, Ysabel, Valeria, and Collette (x2) in the tomes of the expecting. Our fertility is once again proving true!

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