

# **The Sternfeld Star**

**BARONY OF STERNFELD**

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Next Business Meeting: Thursday, July 17, 2014

St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

Everyone welcome—No experience necessary!



## From Their Excellencies Úlfr and Odile, Baron and Baroness of Sternfeld

Unto the populace of Sternfeld, greetings!

We were delighted at the turnout for Baronial Birthday - it is always so enjoyable to visit with our populace and catch up on everyone's news. We held a court at Baronial Birthday, and are pleased to announce that the following awards were given:

Amanda - Yeoman	Caprisha Wyatt - Yeoman
Maddie Wyatt – Yeoman	William Wyatt - Yeoman
Wulfwen atte Belle – Yeoman	Duncan Sinclair the Cordwanier - Yeoman
Leith – Yeoman	Odette d'Amboise - Nova
Sarah Frodeswif - Azure Swan	Rurik the Red - Golden Tower
	Tualraith of Sternfeld - Golden Tower

We also invested our new champions on this occasion. Our new Armored Combat Champion is Mateo Lopez. Our new Rapier Champion is Moira Eiriksdottir. Caristonia Ainslie is returning as our A&S Champion. We also elected to select a new Court Bard, and have named Maddie Wyatt to this position. Congratulations to all the champions, may they long defend our borders and claims!

As our thoughts turn forward to Simple Day, and Pennsic beyond, we would like to notify those who will be attending Pennsic that our traditional Baronial Court / Sternfeld Camp Party will be moving to the evening of the middle Saturday this year (traditionally it has been on Sunday night), due to His Excellency's attendance schedule at War this year. We hope to see many of you there, even if you camp in different places!

Moreover, if you are attending Pennsic, please do touch base with Her Excellency and let her know something about the activities you will be participating in. She likes to make a point to try to come out and cheer for the deeds of her populace, whether that activity is a championship fight or an archery shoot or an arts performance. Help her out!

We look forward to sharing the summer with all of you. Draco Invictus!

Odile, Baroness Úlfr, Baron



## Poetry Corner

(This Month's Submission: I Was Forged, by Breddelwyn ap Taliesin)

I was forged  
Born of Fire,  
Heat combining elements,  
Then pounded, pounded, pounded,  
Shaped, formed by strength,  
Strong the man who  
Harnesses this energy.

Suddenly, hissing steam  
Where point meets liquid,  
Quenced, cooled to cold,  
Withdrawn for the  
Eye and hand to  
Caress its almost perfection.

Acid adding its  
Own element,  
Revealing each wave,  
Patterned curve.

Polished, gleaming with  
Reflected light,  
Flamelike brilliance,  
Battle ready, eager,  
Steel salivating for  
The taste of blood.

Gifted, given in honor  
To one who is worthy.  
Wielded well in honor  
Returned, the foreman's bane,  
The weak's defender.

Peace has come.  
The price paid dearly.  
The warrior's hand is old,  
But the bold  
Never waned nor  
The tales told.



**From the Seneschal**

Greetings!

Thank you all for being such great hosts at Crown Tournament/Kingdom A&S. Feedback has been overwhelmingly positive from attendees.

I hope to see you all in a few weeks at Simple Day. Remember, many hands make light work--please consider volunteering at least 1 hour of your time (psst: sit in A/C with Royal Guard Duty and Gate shifts!).

Once we've recovered from Simple Day and Pennsic, I'd like to turn our attention to completing the revision of Baronial Bylaws that was begun a few years ago. If you like policy and/or editing, I'd love your help!

Yours in service,

Lady Ysabel de la Zarza



**From the Equestrian Marshal**

We had our monthly equestrian practice and had six riders present and worked on rings. Everyone had a good time. We are looking forward to Simple Day!

(Editor's Note: After this report, Lady Kiltigern also informed me that July's Practice has been cancelled – there's two Equestrian events in the surrounding area that month.)

Lady Kiltigern MacClibarn



**From the Dancemistress / Deputy Herald**

Greetings!

A total of 31 people attended dance this month including 4 SCA people. August 14th is the next dance night, at Garfield Park. I am working

on ideas to get more SCA people to attend, please give suggestions if you have them.

We had court at Baronial Birthday. (Editor's Note: The deputy lists off the new champions and awards that were received, I did not include - see the Baronial letter earlier in this publication.)

Waldetrudis is stepping down as our Signet.

Yours in Service,  
Colette the Seamstress



## From the Chronicler/Webminister

Buon Giorno,

Most of this month's updates revolved around the website for Simple Day. Thanks to all Department Heads who sent in information about their activities. If you haven't yet, it's not too late! The site booklet will be created off of the information on the website, so get your schedule/activity information in now!

For those of you who read my letter last month, or heard the announcement at fighter practice a few weeks ago, you might have noticed that the Fighter Practice Status page is not actually up and working yet. I did the initial development and testing of the concept from my own personal webspace, only to discover that the [midrealm.org](http://midrealm.org) website is running an earlier version of PHP. Since the [midrealm.org](http://midrealm.org) website is moving to a new server very soon, I've chosen to wait until our hosting has moved to fix the problem, as the new server will likely have a much newer version of PHP and therefore my code should work without me having to make substantial changes. I'd rather not redo all that work to work in an earlier version if I don't have to. In the meantime, our Seneschal has been doing a fantastic job of posting updates about Fighter Practice to the Yahoo group and also to the group's Facebook page. If inclement weather strikes, check those locations for a mention of whether we are inside or Fighter Practice is cancelled.

YIS,

Antonio Bellini

# Calendar

--Local (**in bold text**) and selected events only—  
--See locations for **local events** later in this publication--

## July 2014

### **1 Fighter Practice**

### **2 Archery Practice / Reading Night (Separate Locations)**

### **3 Costumer's Group**

3-6 Middle Kingdom Equestrian Symposium III {Barony of Rivenstar} [Lafayette, IN]

5 Brawl at the Crooked Dragon {Shire of Falcon's Quarry} [Wellington, OH]

6 Smurf Shoot {The Riding of Hawkland Moor} [Clarkston, MI]

### **8 Fighter Practice**

### **9 Archery Practice / Dead Languages Club (Separate Locations)**

### **11-13 A Simple Day in the Country (Barony of Sternfeld) [Trafalgar, IN]**

Encampment XII: B.Y.O.B. (Build Your Own Barony) {Marche of Three Towers} [Mt. Gilead, OH]

Tyger Hunt {The Riding of Hawkland Moor} [Detroit, MI]

### **13 Equestrian Practice**

### **15 Fighter Practice**

### **16 Archery Practice / Reading Night (Separate Locations)**

### **17 Business Meeting**

### **20 Cook's Group**

### **22 Fighter Practice**

### **23 Archery Practice / Reading Night (Separate Locations)**

25-10 Pennsic War [Cooper's Lake]

### **29 Fighter Practice**

### **30 Archery Practice / Reading Night (Separate Locations)**

## August 2014

### **5 Fighter Practice (Many At Pennsic)**

### **6 Archery Practice / Reading Night (Separate Locations) (Many At Pennsic)**

### **7 Costumer's Group (Likely Cancelled Due to Pennsic)**

### **12 Post Pennsic Picnic in the Park by the Pond**

### **13 Archery Practice / Dead Languages Club (Separate Locations)**

### **14 English Country Dance**

16 Ale to the Victors {Canton of Wealdlake} [Pinckney, MI]

### **17 Equestrian Practice / Cooks Group (Separate Locations)**

### **19 Fighter Practice**

### **20 Archery Practice / Reading Night (Separate Locations)**

### **21 Baronial Business Meeting**

22-24 Call of the Waterhorse {Shire of Fearann Na Criche} [Oscoda, MI]

Feast of St Ethyl presents Baroness Wars II {Shire of Swordcliff} [Taylorville, IL]

### **26 Fighter Practice**

### **27 Archery Practice / Reading Night (Separate Locations)**

29-1 For Hands VIII Metal & Glass {Barony of Shattered Crystal} [Wood River, IL]

Known World Cooks & Bards VII {Barony of Jaravellir (Northshield)} [Wisconsin Dells, WI]

Mounted War Games IV {Shadowed Stars} [Peru, IN]



## From the Minister of Arts and Sciences

Unto the gentles of our fair barony I send greetings!

Kingdom A&S was awesome! I am proud of all of our artisans. Congratulations to everyone who competed. Congratulations are also in store for Caristonia Ainslie as our new Baronial A&S champion and Maddie Wyatt as our new Baronial Court Bard!

I am pleased to present let you know that this month's artisan is Eadric of Grenefeld!

Eadric hails from Wessex in the Early 11th century. He was mentored by Bran vo Lough Derg until he moved out of the Kingdom, but now has two mentors in the Greenwood Company—Roewynne Langley of Mugmorr and Ambrosius filius Merlinus (called Merlin).

Eadric's interest is in Archery equipment - primarily arrows. He has made two attempts at crossbows with a third attempt to be made in the near future. He is currently working on a seax, which is done except for some more sharpening to get a finer cutting edge.

Eadric practices his art for the fun of it. He states "I am trying to become more period accurate for the final result, but I admit that I use modern tools." He joined the SCA in early 2009 and started making arrows within a couple of months after getting involved with the archery group.

Eadric started his adventure when Bran held a training class on how to make arrows, and he searched demonstrations of different arrow-making techniques on YouTube. He then bought the tools and supplies that he needed and just jumped into it with both feet.

His advice for someone wanting to get started in this art is to find someone who can show you how, and just do it. Many people learn best by visual reinforcement and hands-on practice.

Eadric admires Frode's woodworking projects. In addition to bows and crossbows, he has created some wonderful period musical instruments and other pieces. Eadric also admires the bows made by Ints no-Araisem (mka Dustin Randall).

When asked what inspires him, he answered:

“Lots of things inspire me, especially when there is a ‘coolness’ factor involved. I am inspired by period movies, TV shows, and documentaries, especially when period accuracy is researched. Of course, I own several versions of Robin Hood movies, including Men in Tights, and one BBC TV show on DVD. In addition to the archery kits, I look at the clothing to compare with what I have seen in some of the historical books.”

If you know of an artisan that is producing great work, let me know. Be sure to let them know! We love to hear feedback on our labors of love. Even better yet, recommend them for an award.

Keep at making great stuff! Our Barony is truly gifted with many talented people.

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



## June Business Meeting Minutes

**Barony of Sternfeld Business Meeting Minutes 06/19/2014**

**Baronial - Baronial Court is going to be Saturday of the middle weekend. We have two volunteers interested in the Baronial Signet - this is not a polled position. Grainne and Cerydwynn are both interested - anyone with opinions on the candidates please contact the Baron and Baroness. Thanks to both for their interest. Please send in Baronial and Kingdom Award Recommendations.**

**Seneschal - Things are going "ok". No one has caused a huge amount of paperwork. Event Steward paperwork is being made available for prospective autocrats - that will be coming in the next few months. Fall and Winter priority will be to complete the revision of the Bylaws. Wulfwen is the deputy for this project. If interested in helping in the early stages please talk to Ysabel and/or Wulfwen. Recruitment and retention will be another big focus for the fall.**

**Herald - The position is open. Colette is interested in the position and no one else has expressed interest. Polling will be next month. If interested, please contact the Seneschal.**

**Chronicler - Attended training and is now officially warranted. Published May late. June will not be published late - expect it in the next day or two. Send Antonio articles.**

**Exchequer - We have \$17,707.79 in the bank currently. Saldis is now acting as deputy so that Elisabetta can step down.**

**Property - Some of our less used property was damaged due to flooding. Ronan found a storage unit with \$100/month cost of 20X30. It's in Ladoga, but closer to the current property master than the current location. A free storage site was offered here in town - but not accessible at all times. We are looking into options. A motion was made to approve up to three months storage for \$100 a month. The motion was seconded and passed. The Seneschal and Ysabel will be investigating the free option. If you have questions about this option you'd like answered, please send to Ysabel so she can find out an answer.**

**Armored Combat - We've been having practice. Had a new person last week. There will be fighting at Simple Day.**

**Rapier Combat - It happens, no paperwork has been needed. We've had 3-5 new people recently. Plan to look into loaner gear due to lots of use (wearing out) and new rules. This will happen in September. Moira is moving up to Regional. Cecily is interested in taking the job with Rurik as her deputy. A motion was made, seconded, and passed - congrats to Cecily and Rurik. Thanks to Moira for her service.**

**Archery - People are showing up to shoot things.**

**Equestrian - Had a June practice with six riders in attendance plus one ground crew. July's meeting may not be happening due to other events that weekend.**

**Chirurgeon - No report.**

**A&S - Lots of people making great stuff. Keep it up!**

**Dance - 31 people came to dance this month. Four of them were SCAdians. Next dance practice is 2nd Thursday of August.**

**Cooks/Bards - Will not be meeting in July. Met in June, only five people showed up.**

**Ars Rustica - A bunch of people are going to Knowne World Cooks and Bards - several people are teaching. Wulfwen and others are presenting the Feast Survey results at this event.**

**Largesse - we need fingerloop braids for sewing kits (drawstrings).**

**Costumer - Garb work day occurred this past Saturday. Four attended plus babies. There's another Garb work day coming up soon - watch for announcement on the list. July 3rd is the next Costumer's, which will be at Panera on the north side.**

**Web Minister - We have a website. Simple Day updates incoming, but mostly we don't have information. Department Heads - email Moira ([simpleday@sternfeld.org](mailto:simpleday@sternfeld.org)) and Antonio ([webminister@sternfeld.org](mailto:webminister@sternfeld.org)) with what you are doing. People decide if they are going to events SOON - attendance will be down if there isn't more information.**

**Prize Czar - If you need prizes for Simple Day, July 4th is your deadline to get something from Grainne - please get in touch with her ASAP.**

**Youth - We've got several different youth activities planned at Simple Day.**

#### **Recent and Upcoming Events:**

**Crown - May 24th and 25th. Already happened. Stewards: Wulfwen/Moira. Report: Tons of people attended. Over 500 adults and over 50 kids. Records were set for Kingdom A&S Participation. A post-mortem survey went out - please give feedback to improve future planning. Discussion of refund policies occurred but did not lead to anything actionable.**

**Baronial Birthday - June 8th. Already happened. Steward: Austorga. Report: We had people. It was fun. We were asked by the public if it was a "fancy dress daycare party". Any food that was not used will be used for Simple Day lunch - it's currently frozen in Ronan's freezer.**

**Simple Day - July 11th-13th. Steward: Moira Eiriksdottir. Update: It's happening. Please use [simpleday@sternfeld.org](mailto:simpleday@sternfeld.org) for communication. Please use VolunteerSpot to sign up for shifts. Only Department Heads and Kitchen Cleanup will be comped site fee, but you have to be an SCA member and you have to sign up ahead of time. Especially need Royalty Room Guards. Feast budget was presented by Johann for \$800 which includes a whole hog roast, three sides, and dessert. People who cannot have Pork can contact Johann and Fried Chicken or Falafel can be provided - but only enough for the number of people who contact Johann ahead of time. Feast would be \$9 per person for tavern-style, \$5 for youth 12 and under (smaller portion). A motion was raised, seconded, and passed to approve a budget of \$800 for Simple**

**Day Feast.**

**Accepting Bids for:**

**Post-Pennsic Picnic - last call for bids. Mistress Joan is willing to act as the Autocrat. She handed out a budget. \$100 for Pavilion Rental, \$50 for Drinks, \$15 for Paperware, \$10 for Charcoal, totalling \$175. Volunteers would be needed for grilling and cleanup. Discussion occurred. A motion was raised, seconded, and passed for \$300 total for the event as the consensus was the amount asked for was slightly lower than would likely work. Austorga is handling cleanup. Waldetrudis is taking lead on cooking (possibly with Wulfwen?).**

**Baronial Yule - Looking for bids by October. The Baronial Cooking contest would take place at this event.**

**Better War - last call for bids. Waldetrudis put together a bid for Better War. A handout was distributed. Proposed as a one day event for February 7th, 2014 at Hendricks County Fairgrounds, same site as previous several years. A second proposal was submitted by Grainne for a two day event on February 7th and 8th. She wants to do a lot more publicity for this event, promoting classes, the evening party, etc. Looking to theme as a Venetian event. Lengthy discussion occurred about the merits of both proposals. The prospective autocrats left the room for a polling. After additional discussion, a motion was raised to select Waldetrudis as the Autocrat, but to also ask Grainne and Elisabetta to work with Waldetrudis to integrate some of their ideas to improve the flavor and theming of the event. Both sets of Autocrats reached the same idea during their discussion outside while waiting for the vote.**

**Demos - None. Please send interested individuals to Ysabel.**



## June Emergency Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

**Barony of Sternfeld Emergency Finance Committee Meeting Minutes 06/19/2014**

**Due to the need for Johann to be able to purchase food for the feast for Simple Day (which is before the next business meeting), the emergency finance committee met and passed a second polling on the motion to approve a budget of \$800 for Simple Day feast.**
















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❖ **FIGHTER PRACTICE** - Every Tuesday, 6:30-9 pm. **Krannert Family Center, 605 S. High School Road.** Contact Seneschal Lady Ysabel (Aimee Formo), Seneschal@Sternfeld.org.

❖ **BUSINESS MEETING** - Third Thursdays, 6:45-9 pm. **St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, 2601 E. Thompson Road.** Contact Seneschal Lady Ysabel (Aimee Formo), Seneschal@Sternfeld.org.

❖ **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.

❖ **COOKS' GROUP** - Third Sundays, 3-7 pm. 1238 Old Town South Drive Indianapolis, IN 46260. Contact Grainne at (317) 663-8098 to confirm time, place, and attendance. Alternating months also include a "Beginner's Bardic".

❖ **ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE** - second Thursday of the month on alternating months (February, April, June, August, October, December). Held at Garfield Park Arts Center 2432 Conservatory Dr Indianapolis, IN 46203 from 6:30 to 8:30. Contact Lady Colette (317) 456-2099 with questions.

❖ **EQUESTRIAN PRACTICE** – meets monthly, but schedule varies. See details at <http://www.midrealm.org/sternfeld/equestrian.php/>

❖ **ARCHERY PRACTICE** – Every Wednesday, 7:00-9:00 PM. **4375 Sellers St.** Contact Lady Ilza (Rachel Randall), Archery@Sternfeld.org.

❖ **OPEN 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.

❖ **YOUTH COMBAT** – Currently on hiatus but returning soon. Watch <http://www.midrealm.org/sternfeld/youth.php> for updates.

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