

The Sternfeld Star

BARONY OF STERNFELD

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Save a tree! Don't print me!

Next Business Meeting: Thursday, August 20, 2015

at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

Everyone welcome—No experience necessary!



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

Warm greetings Sternfeld!

No, literally. Although this has been a wet, wet summer, it's still summer, and we write to you from the midst of pre-Pennsic craziness that I know many of you are similarly engaged in. There's so much craziness, I actually asked our Chronicler (hopefully!) whether he was planning to skip publishing this month. No luck. So instead I will give you a super short missive, with bullet points.

- Simple Day was lovely! Many thanks and much kudos to everyone who helped run things smoothly, in whatever capacity. We were heartened by the presence of so many of the populace in Royal Court, as well - although there were a number of award recipients who weren't present, only one was from Sternfeld, of which we are very proud.

- Pennsic is coming! Aaaahh! Specifically, we are holding Baronial Court on the middle Saturday at O'dark thirty (usually around 9 PM) in Sternfeld Camp. This will be Drinking Court, per usual, followed by the camp party, and there may be other shenanigans involved. In fact, there will be an abundance of shenanigans of many flavors associated with Sternfeld at Pennsic this year, so if you enjoy shenanigans, check around, there are shenanigan-ing opportunities. There are more serious opportunities for volunteering as well, both with Midrealm Royal and Sternfeld, as well as for the War at large. Please visit the relevant sign-up webpages if you are looking for ways to fill your schedule!

- Post Pennsic Picnic In the Park etc. will be held the first Tuesday following the end of Pennsic. There will be details provided soon, but in the meantime, you should expect merry-making and war stories as people eat tasty food. There will be a small Court at this occasion as well. Please don't feel like you ought to wear garb - most of ours won't even be laundered yet!

That's all, folks! Have fun, make stuff, befriend a Tiger this year!

Yours in service,

Odile, Baronne Úlfr, Baron



From the Equestrian Marshal

Greetings from the Equestrian Officer!

We held practice at Just Us Stables last month for the first time and it was a success! We had six riders not including myself. We had a new rider, Wolfgang! We had returning beginning riders as well! This means YOU should come join us at the next practice! With Pennsic so close, look for these to occur shortly after at both North and South sites.

This will prepare us for Mounted War Games over Labor Day weekend. That event is the premier Middle Kingdom equestrian event with lots of activities. Come to the practices and get authorized at MWG!

Contact me at equestrian@sternfeld.org if you have any questions!

In service,
Lord Michael de Quarmby



From the Chronicler/Webminister

Buon Giorno,

As Simple Day (and therefore event season) winds down, I find myself in the part of the year where there's not nearly as much to do on the website. Upcoming plans include revisions to the newcomer's information on our site, as well as the Pennsic information section.

After a long hiatus, I've returned to working on the scanned archive of the Star, and am pleased to announce that the portion of that project that others outside of my office will be interested in is very nearly complete! I'm working on getting some of the missing issues printed so we have two complete printed copies of the full run of the Star, which will be stored in two different locations for security. The digital versions are all scanned and organized – an offline web-based index is also nearly

complete. The digital versions will be stored in at least three locations – in the Chronicler Google Drive, and on two flash drives.

I still have two boxes worth of documents to scan, but these are just officer paperwork, permissions forms, etc. Scanning these documents will enable me to decrease the size of the physical footprint of the Chronicler “stuff” to about 1/3 what it was when I took office.

YIS,

Antonio Bellini



From the Arts and Sciences Minister

Greetings!

I am glad to say that people are doing stuff, and have been busy with Simple Day creating a most wonderful event.

During Simple Day an A&S exhibit was going on, displaying a number of things. Also, after the main event, a Bardic Circle was commenced with brilliant music, song, stories, and poetry.

Artisan for this month is Odette for the garb she has made and creating interesting challenges for garb, making things interesting, promoting excellence and innovation. Yay Odette! Please give her your congratulations!

For the Dream,
Breddelwyn ap Taliesin

August 2015 – (Local Events Only. See [Midrealm Calendar](#) for other nearby activites.)

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2	3 Metalworking 7 PM	4 Fighter Practice 6:30 PM	5 Reading Night/Open House 7 PM Archery Practice 7 PM	6 Costumer's Group 7 PM	7	8
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September 2015 – (Local Events Only. See [Midrealm Calendar](#) for other nearby activites.)

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It is War!, by THL Breddelwyn ap Taliesin

It is War!
The horns of war sound around,
"Follow your King."

It is War!
We have come to fight.

It is War!
For King and cause.

It is War!
We fight FOR
Our brothers and sisters.

It is War!
We SHARE with
Our brothers and sisters.

It is War!
Battle glory bound
We charge.

It is War!
In song, story, and poem.

It is War!
With honor and valour,
Forward we go.

It is War!
Dragon enemies defeated.

It is War!
Shield to shield,
Sword to sword.

It is War!
The clash of weapons,
The shouts of victory
And cries of defeat.

It is War!
And the day has
Ended

It is War!
A quiet campfire
We share

It is War!
Songs sung,
Tales told.

It is War!
And there I was...

It is War!
A new day comes,
Rested, refreshed, and regaled.

It is War!
Foes not forgotten,
We fight again.

It is War!
But the battles end
For this season.

It is War!
Our foes are
Friends again.

It is War!



July Business Meeting Minutes

Barony of Sternfeld Business Meeting – July 16, 2015

Reports

Baronial - Everything is good. People are prepping for Pennsic. Court is Middle Saturday (August 1st) at O'Dark Thirty. Ideally a small court at P P P P P, assuming that happens. (Editor's note: See later.)

Great Officers and Their Deputies

Seneschal - Minor edits to the bylaws still ongoing for submission to Kingdom.

Chatelaine - Demo on Saturday. Newcomers meeting, "What Not To Wear" at Fighter Practice on Tuesday. Lots of new people. The Regional Chatellaine is moving, anyone interested in stepping up?

Herald - Everything going great. At Simple Day, Joe got to do his first Kingdom Court. Colette also did her first Kingdom Court at Simple Day. Jerric is working on badges for Sternfeld Awards. People helped at Simple Day with site heraldry (announcements).

Chronicler - We had a Star. We plan to have one for July - I hope to publish tomorrow. I've received very few submissions.

Exchequer - We have \$15,585.66 (and change?) in the bank.

Property Master - Trailer load for Pennsic is Tuesday at 5:15 PM at Storage, before Fighter Practice. Come help and make it go quickly!

Armored - No report. We continue to practice.

Rapier Combat - People show up and stab each other. The throwdown this past Tuesday was great. Cecily is stepping down as Rapier Marshal (see Archery report as to why). Rurik has agreed to step up and is filling the position on an Interim basis until we can get through the usual selection process. There's a limited number of eligible people to fill this position - if interested talk to Ysabel - polling starts at the August meeting.

Archery - Office suddenly vacant (current Marshal moved). Cecily has agreed to step up as the Archery Marshal, but wishes to step down as the Rapier Marshal so she doesn't have two offices. There are very few who are eligible - we are looking for someone who has been around for two years or more. After discussion, Cecily has been put in place as the Interim Marshal. If anyone else is interested and meets the requirements, talk to Ysabel. Polling starts at the August meeting.

Equestrian - 1st practice at Just Us Stables went well. Practiced Heads, Reeds, and Rings. Horses were great. Horse rental is \$10. Practices will continue at both Practice Sites after Pennsic. Mounted War Games is coming up Labor Day Weekend.

Chirurgeon - The office (SCA-wide) is disbanded after Pennsic. An unofficial Guild is forming. Rowena will need to provide all her documentation (injury reports, etc.) to send up to Society Level per their document retention policy.

A&S - There was a display at Simple Day. It was good. There was a Bardic Circle as well. It was good. The Artisan of the Month is Odette for Costuming, Challenges, Innovation and other myriad reasons. Make sure to convey your congratulations. Quarterly report was submitted. All is well.

Interest Groups - Sewing workday at Brownsburg Library on Saturday, from 9 AM until 5 PM. Don't bring paint or other messy/staining projects. If you are bringing projects wanting help - be aware that most everyone has projects to do and probably cannot provide much help this month. Dance went well - smaller group. Please join us on the 2nd Thursday at Garfield Park. Scribal Group starts meeting in September on the 4th Thursday.

Lesser Offices

Web Minister - We have a website. Minor cleanup and updates coming. Revisions to newcomers and Pennsic information upcoming.

Prize Czar - Need prizes for something? Talk to Grainne. Next known need is for Simple Day, so you have a while.

Youth (OPEN) - No report.

Recent and Upcoming Event

Simple Day - July 3-5, 2015. Steward: Hadley of Sternfeld. Postmortem! - It was fun, no one died. One person broke his ankle in three places. He's had surgery. Event otherwise went well. Thanks to everyone who helped. A post-event survey was posted, and received 70 responses. Survey is being closed. Analysis will be shared for discussion and information purposes. In general people liked the site. Putting camping and merchants on the main battlefield is a good idea for future use of this site - lots of room, and that would tighten up our footprint on the site, making it a bit more walkable. Snow Cones made about \$240 for the Sternfeld Hospitality at 50 Year. There were 406 adults, plus about 60 children (some were free). We made a profit of \$3,503.32.

For next year, we've got a tentative reservation at Hendricks County for the 4th of July weekend. In any case, if looking to put in a bid, you'll want to do so soon. Given 50 year next year, Ysabel would like any interested parties to submit bids BEFORE the October Business Meeting. Additionally, bidders may want to consider bids that are a one day event and less complex than Simple Day usually is.

PPPPP - a last minute bid was submitted by Caristonia - \$100 for meat, pitch in at Krannert. If Shelter is empty we will use it. If not, we'll do EZ-Ups. Bid was polled and passed. Event to happen instead of Fighter Practice on August 11th.

Demos - Shortridge Block Party, July 18 10:30-3:30 - steward: Tualaithe, Ysabel - Come Help Out and Be Friendly!

Still accepting bids for Better War, Simple Day, Baronial Yule, and Baronial Birthday for 2016.



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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 (727) 267-0770 to confirm time, place, and attendance. Alternating months also include a "Beginner's Bardic".
- ❖ **ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE** - second Thursday of the month. 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. Sometimes cancelled – watch for announcements.
- ❖ **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.
- ❖ **METALWORKING** - First and Third Mondays, 7-10 pm. 611 Carlyle Pl, Indianapolis, IN 46201. Contact Master Peter maxengel@aol.com if coming.
- ❖ **YOUTH COMBAT** – Currently on hiatus but returning soon. Watch <http://www.midrealm.org/sternfeld/youth.php> for updates.

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