

The Sternfeld Star

BARONY OF STERNFELD

June 2015 A.S. L

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June Business Meeting Minutes and Officer Reports!

Reprint of Breddelwyn's Blackfox-nominated poem!

Save a tree! Don't print me!

Next Business Meeting: Thursday, July 16, 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 to you all!

...okay, I lied. Hot greetings. Summer is here and seems intent on making us all fully aware of its might.

As most of you are probably aware, His Excellency and I have been away on vacation for two weeks, having a lovely but utterly non-SCAdian time with my family. I want to take a moment to apologize for our lack of attendance at June's business meeting and for failing to organize that aspect of our trip as tidily as could be wished. However, I'm informed that the meeting continued easily in our absence, with polls submitted to us for final approval upon our return. These items have been dealt with now, but again, you all have my apology for necessitating such an awkward process.

Now that we have returned to our lands, our sights are firmly set on Simple Day (two weeks hence!) and Pennsic a few short weeks beyond that. We know that the Pennsic camp moms / evil overlords have arrangements there well in hand, and are delighted that it seems that our camp will be very busy this year. We also know that Baroness Hadley has things well in hand for Simple Day, but many hands make light work, and there are certainly still plenty of volunteer positions which need filling. If you haven't yet had a chance to commit some of your time, please consider taking a look to see where you can fill in.

June and July pass so quickly in our calendar! Please take time to enjoy them thoroughly - we plan to.

Yours in service,

Odile, Baronne Úlfr, Baron



From the Equestrian Marshal

Equestrian News!

An upcoming practice will occur at our new site on Sunday, June 28 at 4 pm located at Just Us Stables on 7390 Johnson Rd Indianapolis, IN 46250. It is less than 2 minutes from I-465/I-69 junction. Contact me at equestrian@sternfeld.org if you need directions. We will likely be trying rings and heads for games. Plenty of horses will be available, and cost is \$10 per rider. Come join us!

We also had practice on June 14 at the south practice site where we had an introduction to mounted combat where a few riders braved the heat of the day to give it a try.

In other equestrian news, this time from our neighbors in the Barony of Shadowed Stars, Gwendolyn of Shadowed Stars was inducted into the Order of the White Lance! Congratulations to Lancer Gwendolyn!

I look forward to seeing new faces at the next equestrian practice!

In service,
Lord Michael de Quarmby



From the Chronicler/Webminister

Buon Giorno,

An exciting month for this publication – in addition to receiving a nomination for Honorable Mention in the William Blackfox awards, our very own Breddylwyn ap Taliesin was also nominated for best poetry for his June 2014 poem, “I Was Forged”. To recognize his achievement, I am rerunning his poem again this month. Congratulations to Breddylwyn and good luck!

I’m experimenting with a calendar-styled events/activities calendar instead of the usual roster listing, both in the newsletter, and on the website. I welcome your feedback.

YIS,
Antonio Bellini



From the Arts and Sciences Minister

Greetings unto the Barony of Sternfeld.

This has been busy month for the Arts and Sciences. In the Kingdom Arts and Sciences Competition, Annabelle Roberts placed second in her category, single dish; and Elisabetta Morosini placed first in her category of costume accessories.

On the 7th of June of this year, at the Baronial Birthday Bash, a public demonstration of the Arts and Sciences of Sternfeld occurred along with the annual celebration. Various arts and sciences were demonstrated to a mundane audience. From what I saw the people were pleased with what they saw, and duly impressed.

Another Arts and Sciences exhibition was at the Indy Pride Day on June 13. Various articles were brought to exhibit to show during this mundane event. The cause is a most worthy one, again with the people attending being impressed with what the SCA has to offer. I wish to express gratitude to the gentles from Mynydd Seren who helped with this exhibition. Thank you very much.

The Artisan for this month is Xenon the Nebulous for his body of work in jewelry making and teaching his art to the world. Please congratulate THL Xenon!

For the Dream,
Breddelwyn ap Taliesin

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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Reading Night/Open House 7 PM Archery Practice 7 PM	2 Costumer's Group 7 PM	3 Simple Day	4 Simple Day
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August 2015 – (Local Events Only. See [Midrealm Calendar](#) for other nearby activites.)

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I Was Forged, by THL 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.



June Business Meeting Minutes

Barony of Sternfeld Business Meeting – June 18, 2015

Reports

Baronial - no report this month. Because they are not present, we cannot pass any pollings. A decision was made to share the contents of all discussions and pollings with their Excellencies upon their return from vacation and then allow them to poll. If they agree with the polling result, the polling will stand.

Great Officers and Their Deputies

Seneschal

Baronial Bylaws Revision - Ysabel is going through and doing the editing to get the changes we approved cleaned up for submission to Kingdom. (Removing strikethrough sections, etc.) Some brief discussion of the Family Max (technically part of the financial policy) occurred. This will be discussed further and the financial policy will be updated later in the year.

Event Stewards Toolkit - is up. Still needs revision, but Ysabel needs your feedback.

Largesse needs for upcoming events are here.

Chatelaine - had a new members meeting two fighter practices ago. The 14th of July will be the next new members meeting. Handouts will be available with information on patterns, fabric, etc.

Deputy needed with an eye towards eventual replacement - Annabelle is interested in becoming the deputy.

Herald - Dance was successful - and we had live musicians from the Barony! If people are interested, we'd love to have musicians at the July Dance, on July 9th.

Chronicler - There was a May Star, and there will be a June one. We received an honorable mention nomination for the Sternfeld Star (William Blackfox awards), and THL Breddylwyn received a nomination for his poem, "I was forged."

Exchequer - We have \$11233.05 in the bank currently. We recieved a letter from the Kingdom Chronicler that the audit of the SCA's finances went well but there's a few documents they need from us.

Property Master - We have a lot of children coming to events. Pennsic will be well attended with them. A proposal for the purchase of a Youth Activities sunshade was raised, with a budget of \$100. A provisional polling was passed, pending their Excellencies' agreement. (Editor's Note: Their Excellencies agree this is a good idea and the polling stands.) This shade would also be taken to Pennsic. Rose has requested that we advance her some of the previously approved fuel money for pulling the trailer to Pennsic. It was agreed that \$350 will be provided and she is on the hook for providing receipts and any remainder left over.

Armored - Some classes will be starting in the next few weeks. There was a call for Armored Marshals to help out at Simple Day, meeting at 9 AM on Saturday.

Rapier Combat - We had some new people attend, and it's going well.

Archery - We need a new archery marshal. Anyone interested? Kjalvor may have expressed interest? The current marshal is gone at the end of July, so we need to be prepared to act somewhat quickly. If interested, speak to Ysabel before the July Business Meeting.

Equestrian - Had practice with two attendees this last Sunday. Took it easy due to heat. The next is the 28th at 4:00 PM. See Michael's report in the Star for address and further details. Brought receipts for games equipment for reimbursement on previously approved expenditures.

Chirurgeon - No report.

Arts and Sciences - We had a demo at Baronial Birthday, demonstrating various arts and sciences. We also did a demo/exhibition at Indy Pride this past weekend and there was tons of interest in what we are doing. Cuil Cullom brought several items for display as well. At Kingdom Arts and Sciences, Annabelle took a second and Elisabetha took a first in their respective categories. Calligraphy and Illumination group will start meeting the 4th Thursday of each month, beginning in September, at John and Priscilla's house.

Interest Groups - continue to meet. Cooks is this Sunday.

Lesser Offices

Web Minister - we have a website. Looking at updates, particularly posting a calendar-style listing of activities on the website and in the Sternfeld Star.

Prize Czar - If you need prizes for Simple Day, it's a little late, and you will likely be stuck with whatever we already have - talk to the Prize Czar SOON if needed.

Youth (OPEN) - Still looking for someone.

Recent and Upcoming Event

Baronial Birthday June 6, 2015. Steward: Annabelle - Report: Went pretty well. Lots wandered through the demo and some asked questions.

Simple Day - July 3-5, 2015. Steward: Hadley of Sternfeld. Updates: Schedule is on Facebook and should be on the Website tonight. (Editor's note: It was not. Sorry. It is now though.) We've got tons of classes booked all day, which is pretty cool. Torchlight tournament will have an axe as a prize and it is a draw for a lot of fighters. The prizes for the rapier (a shield that looks like an Oreo style cookie) and thrown weapons (handmade throwing knives) competitions are also really cool! The water battle war practice is also going to be pretty cool! A good number of out of kingdom visitors are coming to see the 50 year site.

General volunteer shifts here; retainer shifts here

Demos - Baronial Birthday, June 6 went well.

Indy Pride, June 13 - steward: Master Llew: Also went very well. Hoobah to Dyderich for 9 hours in full plate armor.

New Business: None.



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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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