

# **The Sternfeld Star**

**BARONY OF STERNFELD**

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Next Business Meeting: Thursday, April 16, 2015

at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

Everyone welcome—No experience necessary!



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

Greetings to the fair Barony of Sternfeld!

On these fickle days of March, we join in the general rejoicing that winter's grip has finally broken, and turn our ears to the south for word from our illustrious Monarchs as to how the war in those warmer climes progresses. May the Midrealm and her allies find victory in a distant land and return triumphant to the heartland!

Meanwhile, we remain busy here. A small Baronial Court was held at an archery practice on March 11, and the following awards were given:

- Peter Van Kauwenbergh - Yeoman
- Ireal the Archer - Border Guard
- Ilža No Āraišiem - Nova
- Ints No Āraišiem (Miles Mitchell) - Winged Crescent
- Stephen of Sternfeld - Award of Arms

We would like to take a moment to remind and encourage you all to write in award submissions for Baronial awards for our upcoming Baronial Birthday event in June, as well as Kingdom awards for Simple Day and any other event over the summer where you know a deserving individual will be present. Recognizing achievements and service are one of the true joys of the Coronet, and we love as well when the Crown is able to recognize our stellar and exemplary people.

We would also like to draw your attention to the upcoming Baronial Investiture in the incipient Barony of Shadowed Stars. We will be traveling to see this momentous occasion on the last weekend in May, and invite as many of you as possible to join us in celebrating with the fourth Barony to join us in Constellation. Additionally, we wish to provide a suitable gift to our new cousins as they take up this responsibility, and would welcome any suggestions or ideas about what kind of a gesture Sternfeld would be interested in making. Please send us your thoughts!

Yours ever in service,

Baroness Odile      Baron Úlfr



## From the Chronicler/Webminister

Buon Giorno,

Another fairly slow month. Work on the Simple Day website is ongoing – it should be going live very soon. I know I've said that several months in a row. The pages are essentially done, I'm just working with the autocrat to clean things up and get them the way she would like.

YIS,

Antonio Bellini

# Calendar

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

## April 2015

**1 Archery Practice / Reading Night (Separate Locations)**

**2 Costumer's Group**

**6 Metalworking**

**7 Fighter Practice**

**8 Archery Practice / Dead Languages Club (Separate Locations)**

**9 English Country Dance**

11 A Day of Ranged Weapondry II {Barony of Red Spears} [Fostoria, OH]

It Takes My Child to Raze a Village VII {Canton of Wealdlake} [Howell, MI]

Martial RUM and South Oaken A&S Regional {Flame} [Louisville, KY]

Middle Marches Baronial Championships {Barony Middle Marches} [Canal Winchester, OH]

Rites of Spring {Illiton} [Bartonville , IL]

**14 Fighter Practice**

**15 Archery Practice / Reading Night (Separate Locations)**

**16 Business Meeting**

15-19 Known World Dance and Music Symposium XI {Kingdom of Drachenwald}

18 A&S 50 Challenge Event and Pentamere Regional A&S Faire {Barony of Roaring Wastes} [Berkley, MI]

Grand Tournament of the Unicorn {Marche of the Unicorn} [Oxford, OH]

Society Board of Directors meeting {SCA Inc.} [Covington, KY]

Spring Training {Shire of Rivenvale} [Warren, OH]

**19 Cooks**

**20 Metalworking**

**21 Fighter Practice**

**22 Archery Practice / Reading Night (Separate Locations)**

23-26 Blackstone Raid XXIV {Barony of Blackstone Mountain} [Ripley, WV]

24-26 St. Cecilia at the Tower IV {Cynnabar} [Saline, MI]

Baronial Althing with Fun and Games {Barony of Andlecrag} [Grand Rapids, MI]

North Oaken Regional A&S {Barony of the Cleftlands} [Cleveland, OH]

The Awakening: Armoured Easter Egg Hunt {Baile na Scolairi} [McLean, IL]

**28 Fighter Practice**

**29 Archery Practice / Reading Night (Separate Locations)**

## Calendar, Continued

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### May 2015

2 Spring Coronation {Roaring Wastes} [Howell, MI]

#### **4 Metalworking**

#### **5 Fighter Practice**

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

#### **7 Costumer's Group**

8-10 Constellation Academy of Defense VIII {Shire of Mynydd Seren} [Spencer, IN]

9 May Day at Fenix {Barony of Fenix} [Union, KY]

Mugmort Melees X {Mugmort} [Granville, OH]

Squires' Tourney {Canton of Ealdnordwuda} [Lansing, MI]

#### **12 Fighter Practice**

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

#### **14 English Country Dance**

15-17 Battle of the Inland Seas XXI {Shire of Altenberg} [Ray, MI]

Border Raids {Kingdom of Meridies} [Elizabethtown, KY]

16 Merlin's Merry Minions A Day of Archery {Shire of Oakford} [Wakeman, OH]

Rivenstar's Feast of 3 Saints {Rivenstar} [Lafayette, IN]

#### **17 Cooks**

#### **18 Metalworking**

#### **19 Fighter Practice**

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

#### **21 Business Meeting**

23-24 Crown Tournament of Ragnvaldr and Arabella {Barony of Cynnabar} [Saline, MI]

#### **26 Fighter Practice**

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

29-31 This Land Is Our Land...And We're Becoming A Barony!! {Shadowed Stars}  
[Columbia City, IN]

30 Hunt for the White Stag and Pentamere Challenge {Barony of Roaring Wastes}  
[Oakland Township, MI]



## From the Seneschal

Dear Sternfelders,

I don't want to be repetitive, but this month, I'm just going to remind you that I am seeking to fill the MOY position for Sternfeld. Here's last month's note, in case you missed it:

"We took a hiatus from having an official Minister-of-Youth after our last MOY stepped down, so that we could regroup, look at the refreshed guidelines for Youth activities and warranting, and explore options for reinstating the office. Baroness Odile and I envision Sternfeld's official MOY as an office that:

- facilitates and coordinates intergenerational activities to complement our events, rather than being sequestered at a specified youth point all day "babysitting."

- connects families and their children to resources and to age-appropriate "regular" activities like youth combat/rapier, archery, classes/workshops, and equestrian, and helps our tweens and teens transition from "kids" activities (many don't need help with this, we know).

To be clear: this officer would organize, not run, youth activities for our events, in the same way that a class coordinator organizes classes but doesn't teach them all personally. I will be pursuing MOY-at-large status shortly, and a number of other Sternfelders have similar plans. In this way, we hope to be better able to share the responsibility for inventing, planning, and implementing fun activities that will appeal to young people and their families. If you are interested in filling the Minister of Youth & Families position, please contact me."

Yours in service,

Ysabel

March Business Meeting Minutes

Barony of Sternfeld Business Meeting Minutes for 03/19/2015

In Attendance: Odile, Ulfr, Ysabel, Wulfwen, Duncan, Annabelle, Joe, Antonio, Colette, Elisabetta, Nicolas, Mateo, Odette, Various Children

Baron & Baroness:

We held a Baronial Court at archery practice, including Steven of Sternfeld's AOA. Shadowed Stars is becoming a Barony at the end of May! Their Excellencies would love to present them a Sternfeld gift of regalia. Please send suggestions to Their Excellencies.

Seneschal:

Please review the Event Stewards' Toolkit and send feedback to Ysabel.

Chatelaine:

Caristonia had no report.

Herald:

We have gentles waiting for their devices and names to go through the process. You can always post your arms on the Sternfeld website - send them to the Webminister!

Please remember to call people by their Society names when in a Society context, to help avoid confusion.

Chronicler:

Antonio is ready to publish the Star! Please send him information ASAP.

Exchequer:

Saldis sent her report via Elisabetta. We have money!

We received a \$120 honorarium from the Oaks demo.

Some employers do matching donations or other contributions to non-profits, or allow employees time off for volunteering. Check out your employee handbook!

Property Master:

Ronan had no report.

Marshal, Heavy:

Deiderich had no report.

Marshal, Fence:

Bjorn had no report.

Colette mentioned that the Fencers are making loaner garb on April 4th at the Brownsburg Public Library. Come on and help!

Archery:

Ilja had no report.

If you are interested in taking on the Archery Marshal position after Ilja moves, let her and Ysabel know.

**Equestrian:**

**Next scheduled practice is on April 5th.**

**Chirurgeon:**

**No report.**

**A&S:**

**No report.**

**Please consider going to one of the many Regional A&S events!**

**Dance:**

**50 (!) people attended dance at Garfield Park last week! Woot! One of the parents asked whether the Park could let us have a room for all of the children to hang out, and the Park provided!**

**Next month will focus on some simpler dances. It's on the second Thursday in April.**

**Costumers':**

**First Thursday in April at Panera in Willow Lake.**

**We've received an offer of donated fabric from Mistress Joan. Colette will coordinate this.**

**Sternfeld Work Day is on Saturday March 21st, from 10:00 – 5:00 at the Brownsburg Public Library.**

**Brewers' & Vintners':**

**We're considering doing the Brew Bus! Let Wulfwen know if you're interested.**

**Cooks':**

**We had a Lenten feast this month, and it was awesome!**

**We discussed how to improve attendance at feasts.**

**Next month's feast is focused on Easter/Spring. We'll be discussing the results of the Feast Survey.**

**If you'd like to join the Sternfeld Cooks' Facebook group, please let Annabelle or Grainne know.**

**Web Minister:**

**We have a website!**

**The Simple Day site is almost ready to go live!**

**The "Scan the Old Stars" project is coming along well. If you have old Stars, please let Antonio know so we can fill in the gaps in our collections.**

**Prize Czar:**

**No report.**

**Ulfr is working with her on the axe tourney prize.**

**Minister of Youth & Families:**

**Position is open. If you are interested, see Ysabel and look for details in the Star.**

**BWTA:**

**Detailed financials should be available for the April Business Meeting. Feast lost money, but the event made money.**

**Colette asked whether we are proceeding with the concept of having event bids submitted for a "reality check" prior to submission to the Barony. Ysabel said she is**



willing to consider this. She'd like to see reviews by the Seneschal, Exchequer and possibly a couple of other folks. Odette and Wulfwen volunteered to participate. If you are interested in participating, let Ysabel know.

**Post-Mortem:** Ysabel has a long list of feedback people submitted. Overall, everyone seemed to have a great time! A large number of the comments had to do with logistics, including insufficient number of site books and lack of signage, plus lack of communication. Feast was well-received. There was a distinct lack of lunch.

**Baronial Birthday:**

There are two versions of the bid; one for Garfield Park on Saturday June 6th and one for Krannert on Sunday June 7th.

Baronial Birthday will be a demo from 1:00 – 4:00, with dinner at 6:00. Ronan has tentatively signed up to cook the meats.

Garfield Park: \$250. Conflicts with Swine & Roses.

Krannert: \$100. Pool closes at 5:00, so we will lose bathroom access at that time.

After some discussion, poll was held to accept the Garfield Park bid. Motion passed.

An Emergency Finance Meeting was held after the meeting to approve the money for the site. The poll passed.

Their Excellencies announced that they will have their A&S and Bardic Championships on that day.

Annabelle asked anyone with suggestions to let her know!

**Simple Day:**

Hadley had nothing new to share.

Antonio mentioned that Hadley is looking for a Merchant Coordinator. If you're interested please let her know ASAP.

**General News:**

Oaks Academy Demo happened and went very well! We had both fighters and fencers, and they were very well received.

Bishop Chatard High School is still interested in us doing a demo for them; details to come. If you are interested, please see Ysabel. We need both demo folk and folk who are interested in being resources for the students to ask questions. Their focus is 12th Century Europe. The three groups are doing German, French and English castles.



## March Emergency Finance Committee Minutes

**Barony of Sternfeld Business Emergency Finance Committee Meeting Minutes for 03/19/2015**

Summer rental spaces filling quickly – in order that we may ensure we get the reservation for Baronial Birthday at Garfield Park, a quick second polling was held to agree that we will spend \$250 on rental of the Pagoda at Garfield Park.



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- ❖ **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](mailto:Seneschal@Sternfeld.org).
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- ❖ **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/>
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- ❖ **YOUTH COMBAT** – Currently on hiatus but returning soon. Watch <http://www.midrealm.org/sternfeld/youth.php> for updates.

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