

The Sternfeld Star

BARONY OF STERNFELD

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Save a tree! Don't print me!

Next Business Meeting: Thursday, October 15, 2015

at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

Everyone welcome—No experience necessary!



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

Greetings, Sternfeld!

Our late summer has been lovely so far, although not particularly cool, yet. Hopefully soon! In the meantime, we've been busily keeping things buzzing among the awesome populace. We just received the pottery that has been commissioned from Mistress Nona the Midwife for the Barony of Shadowed Stars, and are looking forward to passing it off to Their Excellencies Fergus and Maggie very soon – probably at Tournament of Roses.

Beyond that, everything is excellent. Keep impressing us with your talents!

Yours in service,

Odile, Baronne Úlfr, Baron



From the Archery Marshal

People are shooting stuff. It's pointy.
We're trying to clear out dead/broken archery gear stored at YoA.

I'm interested in what kind of money we have left earmarked for archery, because we're interested in getting a few more loaner armguards/finger guards and seeing if we can replace a few of our grass mats pre-BWTA.

I've also talked to Cecily a little about BWTA and organizing the Great Archery Hive Mind, but I'm sure more of that will be happening in the future.

Teka



From the Chronicler/Webminister

Buon Giorno,

We completed the migration to our new webhost a few days ago. I'm pleased to state that the changeover was incredibly smooth and easy from my end and everything seems to be working. Additionally, because we are on a new webhost, a feature I had completed a year ago (but that didn't work because we were on an old version of PHP that would not run my code) is finally working! At the top of the home page and also the fighter practice page, you'll now see a section in bold which tells you the date and location of the next fighter practice, as well as a space for comments.

At Midnight Wednesday morning, the site will automatically update the date to the next Tuesday's date, and set the location to an appropriate location based on the season. (For example, in November, it will always say we are inside.) Ysabel has the ability to override this location, or to choose "Cancelled" for those times when fighter practice is not happening, such as when it is to be indoors but Krannert is being used as a polling place. Ysabel can also add comments/announcements to the listing, so if you are teaching a class at fighter practice, let her know so she can note it! I'm super-excited for you all to get to use this feature – hopefully it will also be helpful for new people so they know where to find us.

We've reached the slower time of year. I'm looking for interesting projects for the website, so if you have any ideas, please send them my way.

YIS,

Antonio Bellini



From the Equestrian Marshal

Greetings from the Equestrian Officer! Over Labor Day weekend, Mounted War Games V was held in the Barony of Shadowed Stars where it was well attended by Sternfeld equestrians. We had many new authorizations. Congratulations to all! It was a hot, muddy weekend, but we made the best of it and had lots of fun.

Look for notification for upcoming practices on the northeast side of Indianapolis and for practices near Mooresville.

Come join us at practice!

In service,
Lord Michael de Quarmby



From the Arts and Sciences Minister

Greetings unto Sternfeld the Strong,

It has been a quiet month, but people are creating things, advancing the Arts and Sciences of the Barony and, therefore, the Midrealm.

A reminder of the project from the Regional MoAS. Nicodemus Thorne, of creating a directory connecting people who want to learn a skill with those that can teach that skill. He would like this by October 1st. I wish to thank those who have sent me their names and what they can teach to me to add to this directory.

For the Artisan of the Month, I name Master Johann von Metten for his work in animal husbandry, gardening, and knowing a lot of stuff about a lot of stuff. So, please offer Johann your congratulations..

Thank you.
Breddelwyn ap Taliesin



From the Seneschal

In this our "slow season," my focus is on Event and Meeting Sites. Available, affordable event sites, it seems, are an SCA-wide problem and Sternfeld is no exception. I am asking Sternfelders to help me find sites inside our borders that could serve as primary or backup locations for all of the interest group meetings and events we hold.

Calling or emailing for more information takes approximately 5 minutes, and reporting back to me another 5, but there are hundreds of churches, schools, and other public buildings in Sternfeld. If you'd like to help by donating 10 minutes of your time, I will happily assign you a specific site to research.

Totally unrelated: our amazing Webminister has created a widget that allows me to update everyone who visits Sternfeld.org as to the location and status (indoor, outdoor, cancelled due to weather, etc.) of our weekly fighter practice. I can add other notes as well. So, if you are planning to have an interest group meeting, run an informal class, or provide some other extra for attendees, email me at seneschal@sternfeld.org so that I can include it!

Yours in service,
Ysabel



Poem: He Stood Facing the Enemy
by Breddelwyn ap Taliesin

He stood facing the enemy
Tall, strong and stern,
Sword ready to repel,
He faced the enemy.

Alone, in front facing death,
He stood stone still,
But staged strategies in
Thoughts of winning war.

Enemies jeered jealously
At his stout stature,
Curses thrown freely from
Gaping malicious mouths.

Sounds of songs sung
This strong soldier bold,
Defying the opponents
At their own stance.

Forward he charges,
Verses voiced to
Strengthen his heart,
Odds against surviving this storm.

Shield against many,
Swift sword swathing,
A scythe harvesting
Enemies as grown crops.

But their numbers are many,
Too numerous to conquer,
Blood crimson coming from
Open unwholesome wounds.

Still, strong are the songs
Sung to his Gods,
To his spirited Soul,
Heart sought strength.

I shall be remembered,
For I made many to
Go to the Underworld
Though they thought otherwise.

But in death he falls,
His songs still sounding,
In silent Air,
Resounding resonance.

Cheers come from the
Enemy emboldened,
They think they won,
But their King says, No!

In anger he scolds
Scoundrels for they
Have done no Honour
For the determined dead

Was a Bard.

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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Costumer's Group 7 PM	2	3
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September Business Meeting Minutes

Barony of Sternfeld Business Meeting – September 17, 2015

Baronial Report - We still have a Barony. The pottery purchased to gift to Shattered Stars was shown. The pottery was purchased for \$200. Baroness Odile requested that \$100 of the cost come from a polling from the Barony and the other \$100 come out of the budget for her office. A motion was raised and passed. Because the nonbudgeted expenditure was at or under \$100, it can pass in one polling.

Officer Reports

Seneschal - Ysabel is looking for volunteers to email/call facilities to attempt to get information on all possible event sites within our borders. She's accepting people willing to contact from between 1 site and 1000 sites at your choice.

Chatelaine - New member classes are ongoing. New members are looking for help. The Chatelaine would like people to volunteer to help those people with an area that you are good at. If people want to teach formal classes, that works too. Please talk to the Chatelaine. Retention is a problem in many groups and this initiative is designed to help those people accomplish what they are looking to do/make so that they stick around.

Herald - Nothing has happened recently. No problems, people continue to submit heraldry.

Chronicler - We had a Star last month. It was published 3 weeks late, but done on time. Oops. This month's Star will be published tomorrow. (Editor's note: It wasn't. Oops.)

Exchequer - We have about \$300 less than last month's report. If you are curious what your office's budget is and how much is left for the year, Saldis has a report.

Property - Not much has changed recently.

Armored - Nothing of substance happened.

Rapier - Happens at Fighter Practice weekly.

Archery - People are shooting stuff with pointy things. Clearing out dead and broken archery gear stored at YoA. Looking at getting loaner armguards and finger guards.

Equestrian - Practice was August 30th, with 3 riders and one Marshal. Mounted War Games was well attended by locals and out-of-kingdom riders. September's practice was cancelled due to real life. The missed practice is being made up September 27th with Pig Sticking, Birja, and Spear Throwing. Renewal of insurance is coming up soon.

Arts and Sciences - People are doing stuff. It's been relatively quiet. Nicodemus is putting together a directory of people who want to learn skills with people who teach those skills. If you would like to be added to that list, please contact

Breddehlyn before October 1st. Master Johann is the artisan of the month for his skill with Animal Husbandry and everything else.

Dance happened, including a few people coming up from Bloomington even. There's also been a group from the Down's Syndrome of America coming to dance, and they've asked Colette to do a private event in April. Colette may need some additional volunteers to help wrangle at that event. We'll be doing themed dances as part of the 2016 dance programming to get included as part of the bicentennial celebration for Indiana.

Costumer's met at St. Timothy's.

Webminister - We have a website. We moved to new hosting. It's awesome and makes it much easier for Antonio to make changes as he can now do it from work.

Prize Czar - We have prizes. Need a prize for Yule? Talk to Grainne. She has a budget, and is willing to listen to ideas, so if you think we should do something in 2016, you should talk to her.

Youth - Office still open - if interested talk to Ysabel.

BWTA - Looks like Candlemas will be the same week as BWTA this year, which means that we can probably expect about 50 less attendees. The events have different draws. Site/Feast tokens have been found and are awesome and a good cost. The bid, at Hendricks County 4H, one day only, for February 6th, was prepared by Lothar. Ronan doing lunch, Wulfwen doing feast. A motion was raised and passed polling.

Baronial Yule - A bid was presented by Meadhbh for Baronial Yule for 1/16/2016. It passed first polling - total budget of \$280, including \$120 for facility, \$150 for meat, and \$10 for site tokens.

Simple Day - Moira and Torquil are considering a bid for July 9th, 2016 at either Hendricks County or Tipton Fairgrounds. Possibly as a camping event, but simpler? At Hendricks, the Expo Hall, Kitchen, and outdoor spaces would be rented.

Althing - Ysabel is looking at October/November Dates. If you are an officer who counts for quorum or really want to be there, please send weekend dates that don't work for you to Ysabel so she can try and pick a date.



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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 Kjalvor (Tekka England), 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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