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Officer Reports!
Next Business Meeting: Thursday, April 21, 2011
St. Timothy's Episcopal Church
Everyone welcome—No experience necessary!

☞ CALENDAR ☞

--Local and selected events only--

Consult **The Pale** or www.midrealm.org for complete event listings.

April 2011

5, 12, 19, 26 **Fighter Practice, Krannert Family Center**

- 2 Feast of Fools and Spring Brawl {Incp. Ctn. of Iron Oak} [New Lothrop, MI]
 Flaming Gryphon Baronial Investiture / Grand Tournament of the Unicorn
 {Marche of the Unicorn} [Oxford, OH]
 Spring 2011 RUM {Shire Greyhope} [Lake Station, IN]
- 8-9 Golden Seamstress X {Canton of Brackendelve} [Dearborn, MI]
- 9 Rites of Spring {Illiton} [Bartonville, IL]
 South Oaken Regional A & S Faire {Barony of the Flame} [Louisville, KY]
- 16 Spring Coronation / Constellation Regional A & S Faire
 {Barony of Rivenstar} [Lafayette, IN]
- 21 **Business Meeting, St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, 6:45-9pm**
- 21-24 Blackstone Raids {Barony of Blackstone Mountain (Aethelmearc)} [Ripley, WV]
- 23 A Day at the Castle III {Incipient Canton of Northgate} [Canadian Lakes, MI]
- 29-1 Brendokenfest and Rose Tourney {The Barony of Brendoken [Tallmadge, OH]
 Mayhem in the Garden {Aurea Ripae} [Philpot, KY]
- 30 Awakening: Armored Easter Egg Hunt {Baile na Scolairi} [Bloomington, IL]
- 30-1 TwinOaks Archery Revel 19 {Starleaf Gate} [Lakeshore, ON]

May 2011

3, 10, 17, 24, 31 **Fighter Practice, Krannert Family Center**

- 6-8 Spring Training {Shire of Rivenvale} [Burghill, OH]
- 7 Mugmort Melees VI – Wisdom of the Ancients {Mugmort} [Lancaster, OH]
- 13-15 Constellation Academy of Defence IV {Mynydd Seren} [Spencer, IN]
 Mayfaire XIV {Shire of Cuil Choluim} [North Veronon, IN]
- 14 Half Century Holiday {Barony of Cynnabar} [Livonia, MI]
- 19 **Business Meeting, St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, 6:45-9pm**
- 20-22 Chaos Caravan {Shire Greyhope} {Valparaiso, IN}
- 21 Border Raids
 Tirnewydd Spring Fair {Shire of Tirnewydd} [Columbus, OH]
- 28-30 Spring Crown / Kingdom Arts and Sciences {Barony of Fenix}

June 2011

7, 14, 21, 28 **Fighter Practice, Krannert Family Center**

- 3-5 Death and Taxes {Canton of Dun Traigh} [Holland, MI]
 Encampment X: Back Into the Woods {Marche of Three Towers} [Seville, OH]
- 10-12 Northern Oaken War Maneuvers {Barony of the Cleftlands} [Wellington, OH]
 Ragnarok Rampage {Carraig Ban} [Kingston, IL]
- 11 Youth Day in the Shire of Afonlyn {Shire of Afonlyn} [Muncie, IN]
- 13-17 Lilies War XXV {Kingdom of Calontir} [Smithville, MO]
- 16 **Business Meeting, St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, 6:45-9pm**
- 17-19 Baronial Border War XXVIII {Canton of Rimsholt} [Ionia, MI]
- 18 This Land is Our Land {Shire of Shadowed Stars} [Fort Wayne, IN]
- 18-19 Butts and Bales {Havenholde} [Mechanicsburg, OH]
- 24-26 Baron Wars XIV {Marche of the Marshes} [Perrysburg, OH]
 Fourth Bardic Roundhouse {Cleftlands} [Chardon, OH]

☞ WHERE TO FIND US ☞

- ❖ FIGHTER PRACTICE - Every Tuesday, 6:30-9 pm. **Krannert Family Center, 605 S. High School Road.** Contact Seneschal Lady Katrina (Katrina Pogue), katrinasternfeld@gmail.com.
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- ❖ PERFORMING ARTS GROUP – First and third Mondays, 6:30-9 pm. Lady Colette the Seamstress' house, 502 S. Jefferson Street, Brownsburg. Contact Lady Colette the Seamstress, alice.the.seamstress@gmail.com.
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- ❖ ARCHERY PRACTICE – Every Wednesday, 6:30-9 pm. **4375 Sellers St.** Contact Lord Eadric (Cleve Johnson), eadric.of.grenfeld@gmail.com.
- ❖ MONTHLY 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.

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FROM THE BARON AND BARONESS



Unto the Most Wonderful Populace in the Known World,

Greetings, from Your Baron and Baroness. We are happy to note that spring has arrived, despite the recent fall of frozen white flakes falling from the sky. With spring comes the advent of the Arts and Sciences competitions, along with the beginnings of training for the summer campaign season for fighters, fencers, and archers. We would hope that all of you get a chance to compete in, judge, or view the Arts and Sciences at the Constellation Regional Faire in Rivenstar on the 16th of this month. This will also be the Coronation of TRH, Arch and Runa, who hail from our fair Barony. Having a good show for that would also be highly encouraged.

Speaking of Coronation, we are in the process of making Their Royal Highnesses Their rapier armor for the reign. Anyone who would like to help with the sewing is encouraged to contact Us as soon as possible. We have the linen and will be cutting out the armor, but could use help with the sewing and appliqué work. Each of Them will need a hood and two tunics, which They will wear layered to keep them safe this war season on the rapier field.

Speaking of war season, as we travel this summer, we will try to keep you informed of the schedule so that we can meet at events. Our populace is always welcome to day camp with us at events to make a home away from home. In April, we will be attending Coronation/A&S at Rivenstar on the 16th. In May: Constellation Academy of Defense in Mynedd Seren, our neighbors to our south, Border Raids (the first one in a coolish season!) to battle in friendship with the Meridians, and Crown Tournament in Fenix to see new heirs to the throne secured.

We are also in the initial stages of planning Pennsic. Please see the article elsewhere in the Star for more about Pennsic and the preparations you should be making.

In service to the dream,
BARON TORQUIL AND BARONESS MOIRA

FROM THE KNIGHT'S MARSHAL



Greetings,

As it sits we are approaching the time to be outside, and I know many fighters are itching to have the space and the freedom that this allows. The soonest it will likely be is on the 19th since sunset is at 8:26, we would be losing half an hour to practice but would regain it by being able to start at 6. The reason that the 19th would be the earliest date to go outside, is the weather that people will need to put up with in order to participate, or spectate, is still unstable and often leans toward quite chilly. I will confer with several people at practice to get a better picture of what temps people are willing to put up with, since the average high temp for this time of year is in the low 60's.

Yes, I am one of those who is itching to get outside. I prefer the feeling of grass beneath my feet.

In Service,
LORD ULFR IMASON

FROM THE RAPIER MARSHAL



Rapier practice has been doing very well this past month. We've had strong attendance from both locals and neighboring groups so there has always been plenty of fighting. We're also looking forward to being able to move outside more often. If the weather is nice we'll likely be fighting out in the extended parking lot until it gets too dark. Just as soon as there is enough light for the full practice we'll be moving completely outdoors. War season is getting close so melee activities will possibly be starting up soon as well.

LORD BJORN ARNALOSSON

CIBITS

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There are several new officers since the March Business Meeting. Take a look at the contact info page and offer your congratulations to THL Rowena, Lady Austorga, and Lord Ronan!

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Lady Katrina is still accepting bids for Baronial Birthday and Grand Pageant in the spring of 2012. If you are interested in autocrating, please let her or Baroness Moira know as soon as possible!

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Send in some award recommendations for the upcoming summer court schedule. Do it. Do it now! <http://www.midrealm.org/op/recommend/>

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Costumer's Group is meeting Thursday, April 7, from 7 – 9 pm at the Panera Bread at Willow Lake West (2902 W 86th St # 220, Indianapolis: on 86th Street just east of Michigan Road. This is in the strip mall with Trader Joe's grocery store.)

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Cooks' Group will meet at Lady Brigide von Metten's home on Sunday, April 3, from 4-6 pm.

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Ars Rustica will meet at Abot Meister Johann von Metten's house (3901 Marrison Place, Indianapolis) on Sunday, April 17, from 4-6 pm.

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The Performing Arts Group will meet on April 4th and 18st at Lady Colette the Seamstress' home (502 S. Jefferson Street, Brownsburg), from 6:30— pm.

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Pregnancy watch: 3?



PENNSIC BARONIAL ENCAMPMENT BULLETIN

Pennsic is just around the corner.....er...planning for Pennsic is just around the corner!

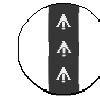
Please remember that you have until the middle of June to get registered to camp with a group for Pennsic. If you don't register by mid-June, this means that you will most likely be camping at the far ends of the earth with no camp mates for support in some left over corner of Pennsic. This is true for any camp, whether Baronial or household. To register, go to www.pennsicwar.org and follow the directions.

Sternfeld does have a Baronial camp at war that is open to all Sternfeld members, along with many guests from outside of the Barony who we love to catch up with every year at war. If you have camped with Sternfeld before, just register as usual and drop me a line when you get your confirmation so that I can check to make sure that they filed you in the correct place. If you have not camped with the Barony before, please contact me so that I can fill you in on how the encampment works. We have a few rules that make it easier to live with each other (most people, upon reading them for the first time, remark that they are just common sense, but we like to be clear in case the sense isn't as common.) We do charge a daily camp fee which covers items such as firewood, propane to heat your dishwater and shower water, citronella oil to burn in the centralized tiki torches and bottled drinking water.

In service,
BARONESS MOIRA



FROM THE ARCHERY MARSHAL



Greetings!

The month of March has shown an increase in archery participants. We have had 20-24 people in attendance each week!

We held an archery workshop on Saturday, March 26th, which turned out to be a fun and informative event. I would like to thank Bran, Frode, Miles, Meg, and Rask (Viking Archery) for their special contributions. I also want to thank all who came together to learn, socialize, and have a wonderful time with archery and thrown weapons practice.

Keep your arrows sharp!

LORD EADRIC OF GRENFELD

FROM THE ARTS AND SCIENCES MINISTER



Benedicte

Sumer ist akommen in! Lowdly sing kukkoo!!
Yeah for Spring and growing things!
Sure sign of spring plantings, fresh bags of peat and compost for sale everywhere!!

OR...I have three bags of so far unclaimed henhouse scrapings for those of you wanting to enrich your plots or composters..

If you also have a hen house, as a growing number of us do...well, you too may find a line wanting more than just eggs from your girls!

That said, on to our Spring A&S displays and competitions!
Midlands was a blast! I especially love the face to face judging, which while it is not really a 'NEW THING' it is now the default option. After a few decades in this society I can appreciate both the former anonymous approach as well as this new way, and frankly prefer the new. It is much more professional AND personable! As a judge I can find out more and

appreciate more of the entrants work and ideas, and while it can be more intimidating for some entrants, it can also be a time when you can bolster concepts that you may have neglected in the actual paperwork.

To all of you who read these words, artisan or not, GO OUT AND SEE THESE GREAT PIECES! The Arts and Sciences are the SCA at its best!! Not all of us are able to participate or appreciate the various arts martial, and while the tourneys provide the glue to the society, it is the A&S that provides the fabric, glitter, and substance...FOOD people..FOOD!! Midlands has come and gone, paving the way for the Oaken and Constellation and Pentemere. PLEASE! Do your best to attend one of them (preferably of course, CONSTELLATION, it is after all just up the road a piece in Rivenstar) and give some oohs and aahhs to some of the best artisans and craftsmen in the known world!

BTW, there is a certain Laurel who has challenged all peers to participate in a field not previously their own...so you may see some surprises!!

Good Pasch/Passover/Easter/Holidays to all!
ABOT JOHANN VON METTEN

FROM THE WEBMINISTER



Buon Giorno,

This month was particularly light on web work. I've been given several revisions and requests to take care of over the next few days. Many of them will likely be live before this missive hits newsstands.

On the topic of the Brewer's group, we had our second meeting on the 19th of March, at Great Fermentations in Broad Ripple. Because we were there to get equipment, the structure of the day was very loose. I saw many more experienced brewers and vintners helping out the newbies (like myself) with identifying the equipment that would be needed to get started on brewing. I'm excited to get started on my projects in the next few weeks. Thanks so much to those of you who came and helped others who needed guidance!

We will not be holding a meeting of the Brewer's group in April so that everyone can get moving on their projects. Several people have indicated an interest in bringing things to try to the May meeting, which is always encouraged. The proposed topic for the May meeting is Cordials, and there has been an offer of a demo of cordialling. Exact date/time/location for the May meeting are yet to be determined - discussion will take place on the Sternfeld Fermenters Yahoo group.

Until next month,
LORD ANTONIO BELLINI

FROM THE MINISTER OF YOUTH



Ode to Spring!

Children free to play outside
Freedom from the dark
Puddles to stride
Again we see flowers and the lark
Again the house windows open
Cleaning out the pen
Once again we get to play
Yippe, Hurray, go SCA!

I am so happy, it is finally Spring!!!

Have a great Spring and before too long it shall be summer! Air out your tents for 3 Saints/Coronation coming up soon. I hope to see our youngest Scadians out and about.

LADY EMME FOSTER OF WHICKAM

