

The Sternfeld Star

BARONY OF STERNFELD
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Officer Reports!

Next Business Meeting: Thursday, January 19, 2012

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.

January 2012

- 3, 10, 17, 24, 31** **Fighter Practice, Krannert Family Center**
7 12th Night of Ealdnordwuda {Barony of Northwoods} [Lansing, MI]
14 Twelfth Night {Tree Girt Sea} [Chicago, IL]
Twelfth Night {Barony of Donnershafen} [Kalkaska, MI]
Winter Revel {Shire of Rivenvale} [Youngstown, OH]
19 **Business Meeting, St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, 6:45-9pm**
21 A Regular Event in Clefthlands {Barony of Clefthlands} [Rocky River, OH]
Midrealm Chivalry Retreat {Flaming Gryphon} [Wapakoneta, OH]
21-22 Winter Revel {Canton of Three Walls} [Ionia, MI]
27-29 Festival of Maidens XXXIX {Wurmwald} [Urbana, IL]
28 It's Only a Flesh Wound {Barony of Jaravellir (Northshield)} [Jefferson, WI]
Twelfth Night (Free!) [Marche of Tirnewydd] [Columbus, OH]

February 2012

- 7, 14, 21, 28** **Fighter Practice, Krannert Family Center**
4 A Day at St. Catherine's Cloister – Demystifying A&S Competitions
{Barony of Cynnabar} [Saline, MI]
Better War Through Archery {Barony of Sternfeld} [Danville, IN]
Cecil's Freeze {Shire of Dark River} [Moline, IL]
11 St. Valentine's Day and T.o.C. {Canton of Three Hills} [Kalamazoo, MI]
16 **Business Meeting, St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, 6:45-9pm**
18 Masque of Courtly Love {Marche of Alderford} [North Canton, OH]
25 Candlemas {Shire of Dragonsmark} [Lexington, KY]
Pentamere Academy of Defence {Canton of Ealdnorwuda} [East Lansing, MI]
Quest for No Man's Land {Shire of Blackhawk} [Warren, IL]

March 2012

- 6, 13, 20, 27** **Fighter Practice, Krannert Family Center**
3 North Oaken Reg. Academy of Defense {Marche of the Thistle} [Dalton, OH]
Rogue's Day {Shire of Swordcliff} [Chatham, IL]
10 Ceilidh XXIV {Flaming Gryphon} [Wapakoneta, OH]
It's All Fun and Games {The Canton of Rimsholt} [Wyoming, MI]
Middle Kingdom Herald's Pointe and Scribal Collegium
{Canton of WeldLake} [Howell, MI]
Winter Dance and Gaming Revel {Shire of Eastwatch} [Farport Harbor, OH]
11-18 Gulf Wars XXI {Kingdom of Gleann Abhann} [Lumberton, MS]
15 **Business Meeting, St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, 6:45-9pm**
17 Falcon's Quarry Championships {Shire of Falcon's Quarry} [Elyria, OH]
23-24 Quest for the Golden Seamstress {Canton of Brackendelve} [Dearborn, MI]
24-25 Winged Hills Collegium {Shire of Winged Hills} [Dayton, OH]
31 Grand Tourney of the Unicorn {Marche of the Unicorn} [Oxford, OH]
Rites of Spring {Barony of Illiton} [Bartonville, IL]

FROM THE BARON AND BARONESS



Warm greetings to you all,

We hope you all had a pleasant yule and a jolly welcome to the new year. We also hope this finds you warm and comfortable as winter weather has arrived. We hope to see you all at the Baronial Yule celebration this weekend. Good food, good friends, time to relax and/or work on a project, how can you beat that?

This is often a time to reflect on the past year and to plan for the new. Looking back, we feel much pride in the work and accomplishments of the people of this fine Barony. Looking forward, we see many opportunities. Sternfeld can really put on an event, and we have several again this year, starting with Better War Through Archery. Please plan on attending, there will be lots to do, including archery :). There is still a need for volunteers in some areas. More helpers mean spreading the work so no one ends up exhausted by the end.

The Regional A&S fair will be held at BWTA, so get your projects ready. There are several people in the Barony who are willing to review documentation if you would like. A&S is one of this Barony's strengths so let's show it off.

Thank you all for making this the great group that it is.

BARON TORQUIL
AND BARONESS
MOIRA



FROM THE CLERK OF THE ROSTER

Hello, everybody. One of my first tasks in 2012 is to embark on another update of the Baronial Roster, so you have probably noticed my notice on the Yahoogroup requesting your assistance in this regard. You can update your information (or add it, if you're new!) through email – my address is published in the back of the *Star* - if you like, or you can look me up at Yule Court or fighter practice next week to review your current listing. Fields you can submit include modern name, SCA name, mailing address, email address, phone number(s), Baronial awards, and Kingdom awards.

As a reminder, we publish this information as a service for our population, and distribute it only within the limited scope of our group – it's not published to a website or distributed carelessly. Just the same, it's at your discretion how much (or little) contact info you wish to make available, and as a matter of policy we publish only the names and award information for those under the age of 18 (presuming their parents/guardians give consent)

Yours in Service,
LADY ODILE DE BRIENNE

FROM THE KNIGHT'S MARSHAL



Greetings,

The new year begins, and I hope that it is a great one for all. It is a time to consider what we want in the upcoming year so we can work to make our hopes and dreams come true.

For fighters this often includes kit improvements, learning some new weapon styles, and general skill improvement. As the tournament season continues, we are offered the best chance to do the second two. The summer often becomes focused on melee fighting, and group styles, whereas winter is all about individual skills. If you make it to events there is a greater chance for individual glory and honor. Also, remember that the skills you develop now will translate into melee skills in the summer.

In Service,
LORD ULFR IMASON

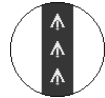
FROM THE RAPIER MARSHAL



Our new fencers are doing well and learning fast. If we can keep up this pace there might be a decent sized Sternfeld unit by the time war season rolls around. I'm trying to keep an eye out for a larger duffle bag for the loaner armor. If anyone sees something that they think might be useful let me know. It would be nice to not have to work hard to cram everything into the smaller bags we're currently using. This past year has been a good year for the fencing community in the barony. Let's see what the new year brings!

LORD BJORN ARNALDSSON

FROM THE ARCHERY MARSHAL



Better War Through Archery is a few weeks away!

Again, I want to encourage all archers, our regulars and those who are unable to attend weekly practice, to consider putting together teams to represent our Barony in competition against all teams from the rest of the Middle Kingdom. Teams will be made up of four persons. All four members of each team can shoot a bow or three members can shoot a bow and one member can shoot a crossbow. Teams can be mixed gender. Let's show the others in the Middle Kingdom that Sternfeld archers can shoot with the best of them!

Anyone who considers him- or herself part of the barony is welcome to compete to be the next Baronial Archery Champion. The championship competition will be held at 11:45 AM, February 4, 2012 during Better War. Duchess Elina, our current champion, will run the baronial championship competition shoot(s).

Youth (17 and under) are welcome to participate in a competition, which will be held prior to the Baronial Archery Championship.

Feel free to contact me at eadric.of.grenfeld@gmail.com to express your interest in archery or ask questions. Wednesday practices are from 7 to 9 PM. All are welcome to join us!

Pandus planto populus mico!

LORD EADRIC OF GRENFELD

FROM THE CHRONICLER



Greetings to you all! I hope your New Year celebrations were merry and your holidays relaxing and pleasant as you might wish.

Continuing in what I hope was the amusing vein of reporting the most dedicated report-writing officers in last January's issue, I here present for you the top reporting officers of 2011! There were only ten issues of the *Sternfeld Star* published in 2011 (because your Chronicler is a big slacker), so the winning officer this year is Ulfr, your Knight's Marshal, with an impressive 8/10 reports! (Apparently that's what happens when your wife gets to pester you for your report.) Second place, however, is a 4-way tie between Their Excellencies, Eadric, your Archery Captain, me (I probably don't count, but it's worth noting that Ulfr managed to beat me this year, which is pretty amusing), and Antonio, your Webminister. All of these officers submitted 7/10 reports over the course of the year. Third place is also a tie, between Bjorn, your Rapier Marshal, Johann, your MoAS, and Emme, your Minister of Youth. 6/10 reports from these fine folks! And no I'm not going to tell you who submitted the fewest reports. You can go through the back issues yourself if you care that much!

This is an exciting time in Chronicler-land as the Kingdom newsletters are going digital. Our own newsletter is digital as well, and I've been slowly weaning down the number of hard copies I make up each month. We're currently down to about 15, which is pretty good! While it is not the intention to go completely paper-free, fewer paper copies do mean less expense for the Barony, so take a moment to consider whether you truly need a hard copy or if reading the *Star* online at http://www.midrealm.org/sternfeld/star_holding.php will cover your needs. Antonio does a great job of uploading it soon after he receives it, and on a few occasions it's even been available online *before* I showed up at Fighter Practice with hard copies on Tuesday night. He's just that good!

Finally, I hope you will indulge me if I put on one of my other hats for a moment. As the Constellation Regional Minister of Arts and Sciences, it is my privilege to remind you that the Constellation Regional Arts and Sciences Faire will be held at Better War Through Archery in our own Barony. Wouldn't it be spiff if a whole lot of local artisans turned up to make an excellent showing? (It's the first of the regional fairs, too, so I'd sure like to set a high bar for the other regions to try to top!) If you've been

thinking of entering, check out the requirements at <http://www.midrealm.org/moas/AandScompetition.php> and give it a shot! It's tremendous fun. I promise.

Yours in service,
LADY ODILE DE BRIENNE

FROM THE WEBMINISTER



Greetings,

Hope the holiday season treated you well. It went well for me. We continue to have a web site. Site for BWTA is up and running and I've just posted some updates prior to this publication being completed. The framework of the site for Grand Pageant is also up and ready for content. We are also trying something new. Smaller Baronial events like the PPPPPPP, Baronial Birthday, and Baronial Yule, will now have an event page for their info, instead of just having the info posted on the "events" and home pages. The info for Baronial Yule was also posted this weekend. Go check it out!

Wishing you a fantastic 2012,
LORD ANTONIO BELLINI

FROM THE MINISTER OF YOUTH



A New Year, 2012! Make a list of what you'd love to do this year, check it off when you do what you're able and of course, think BIG! On my list is to find a deputy for future events. Also to make 4 craft items that I keep putting off for the kids. I hope you are able to check off your list by 2013!

With the planning for upcoming events, I'd like everyone to consider volunteering an hour or two for Children's / Youth Point. We have a standard of parents helping and participating with their children- which is wonderful! But... the Kingdom requires at least two people (not related or

spouses) to run children's activities now. I've not made an insistence on this because I have had deputies to help in the past. My usual suspects have other commitments and/or health issues and I'm looking for new deputies now. The more the merrier! I know as a Barony we have many other commitments throughout the events we help run, but I will need a second on duty or will not be able to run events per Kingdom's new standards. Please email me if you'd like to help so I can better plan for future events. t_fall@yahoo.com

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season! Now it's time to start thinking about what we can all do for our future events. Please remember to volunteer and contact the event heads to let them know in advance about the opportunity to have friends to lessen the load.

Good luck and wonderful things for everyone this year!
LADY EMME FOSTER OF WHICKAM

TIDBITS



Baronial Rattan and Rapier Championships are to be held at Fighter Practice on January 3, 2012. Please bring your A game if you intend to enter the lists!



Baronial Yule will be held from 11 am until the evening on Saturday, January 7, 2012, at the Latvian Center (1008 West 64th Street Indianapolis, IN 46260). There is a Grand Pageant planning meeting scheduled at 1, a Golden Tower meeting scheduled at 2, Baronial Court at 4:30 and a pitch-in dinner at 5:30. There will also be the (3rd?) annual Cook's Guild Cooking Competition, which will be judged during the first part of dinner. Details can be found at <http://www.midrealm.org/sternfeld/yule.php>.



The date for the St. Timothy's Madrigal Dinner is January 22nd. This is a volunteer opportunity to provide a goodwill donation to the church as a thank-you for allowing us to use their space on a frequent recurring basis. If you are available to help, please contact THL Waldetrudis (in the kitchen) or Her Excellency Moira (in the hall).



Better War Through Archery is set for the 4th of February, and we will be needing volunteers for this! In addition to the usual compliment of archery-related activities, this event will also be the site of Constellation Regional A&S, so please consider offering some of your time, as well as perhaps entering your latest project.



Grand Pageant is scheduled for April 28, to be held in Tipton. It's early yet, but keep it in mind for volunteer opportunities as spring creeps nearer!



Did you wait too long to send in award recommendations? I have good news for you! You may not be in time for Better War, but there is a Grand Pageant coming up at the end of April! Our monarchs depend on you for this aid. <http://www.midrealm.org/op/recommend/>



Costumer's Group is meeting Thursday, January 5, 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.) I believe we will be reviewing our 'outfit in a year' progress (or lack thereof), and perhaps revising our timeline somewhat!



Cooks' Group is meeting Sunday, January 15, at 3:30 pm at Lady Brigide von Metten's house.



The Performing Arts Group is on hold! No meeting this month. Check the Yahoo group for further bulletins.



Pregnancy watch: 1? 0? Does anyone know anymore!?! Do we even have a pregnancy champion? *copious weeping*



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- ❖ BUSINESS MEETING - Third Thursdays, 6:45-9 pm. **St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, 2601 E. Thompson Road.** Contact Seneschal Lady Katrina (Katrina Pogue), katrinasternfeld@gmail.com.
- ❖ 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), 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), elliepel@aol.com.
- ❖ 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.
- ❖ COOKS' GROUP - First Sundays, 4-6 pm. Lady Brigide von Metten's house.
- ❖ ARS RUSTICA – Third Sunday, 4-6 pm. Abot Johann's house, 3901 Marrison Place. Contact Abot Johann (Marcus Loidolt), mjloidolt@yahoo.com.
- ❖ 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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