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BARONIAL CALENDAR

January

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7:00 PM: Bright Hills Baronial Twelfth Night

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1 PM: Archery Practice – Weather Permitting
 2 PM: Textile Guild – home of Margharita and Denis

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7:30 PM: Fighter practice

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Twelfth Night – Storvik

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1 PM: Archery Practice – Weather permitting

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7:30 PM: Fighter practice

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1 PM: Archery Practice – Weather permitting
 2 PM: Cook's Guild – THL Wynne's house

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7 PM: Baronial Board Meeting
 7:30 PM: Fighter practice

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Mid-Winter's Revel: A Journey Along the Silk Road – Lochmere

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1 PM: Archery Practice – Weather permitting
 5 PM: PAGE
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From the Baron and Baroness

Chirhart Blackstar and Jeanne Tenneur de Bec, Baron and Baroness of Bright Hills, send Greetings and Wishes for a Happy New Year!

We hope that the holiday season has been kind and generous to you all.

The Kingdom's annual Unevent was held the first weekend of December. This year we traveled to North Carolina once again, with a few of the baronial officers. Our thanks to all those who made the journey on behalf of the barony! Fortunately, there did not appear to be many significant changes this year. Please contact Lord Graham or any of the officers if you have questions regarding changes in policies.

The barony will be hosting our own Twelfth Night on January 3rd. This is a pot luck event that will be held in lieu of the usual fighter practice. Please come in garb and celebrate with the barony. This is an opportunity to relax and socialize with friends and enjoy the season. We look forward to seeing you all there.

The Barony of Storvik will be hosting Kingdom Twelfth Night this year. We hope that many of you will be able to attend.

And a few weeks after Kingdom Twelfth Night, our own barony of Bright Hills will host the Kingdom Arts and Sciences Festival, in conjunction with our sister barony of Highland Foorde. We hope that many of you will attend and take advantage of the opportunity to see the many wonderful displays and to speak with the talented artisans of the kingdom. There are also opportunities to participate and assist with the event. Please contact the autocrat, Lady Katarzyna, if you would like to help in any way.

On February 8, the barony will celebrate the 20th anniversary of the elevation to barony. On this illustrious occasion, please plan to join us to celebrate the barony and its history.

Stay warm, and celebrate safely.

In Your Service, we are

Chirhart and Jeanne,
Baron and Baroness of Bright Hills.

**From the Chronicler**

A happy and joyous New Year to all of Bright Hills. Although the winter has set in, I am warmed by the many friends I have found in this barony. It means much to me to have the support of all of you.

There have been many changes made in the chronicler's office this past year. Please take a moment to read my report and become familiar with them. We have a new kingdom chronicler, Mistress Mordeyrn. All chroniclers are required to be on the Chroniclers' List and/or the Facebook Page. This requirement is to help us share ideas, educate and improve each of Atlantia's newsletters. We are the face of the society. Please keep that in mind when sending in submissions. Let us continue to show how talented and welcoming this barony is.

THL Sindara

Officers of the Barony of Bright Hills

- I. **Report of the Baronage** – Looking at the calendar, we are in the midst of the holidays, and that means that the Kingdom Arts & Sciences Festival is just over a month away.

As with any Kingdom level event, this is an opportunity for the barony to demonstrate that we are well-equipped to offer an excellent event experience.

And there can never be too many volunteers. If you have not already contacted Lady Katarzyna about what you can do to help, please consider doing so now. There are several opportunities available and many hands make light work!

We look forward to seeing you all there!

II. **Officer Reports (by e-mail)**

A. **Chronicler: THL Sindara Lind Rachael Fessel** – There has been a flurry of activity in the office of kingdom chronicler. We have a new Kingdom Chronicler, Mistress Mordeyrn. As a result, we have several changes in my responsibilities. I am now required to provide a quarterly report instead of an annual. I am required to be on at least one if not both the Kingdom Chroniclers' list and Facebook page. I have joined both. It is preferable that all newsletters are out and posted to the list by the 25th of the month, but no later than the 1st of the month. While we have a special exception because of when we hold our meetings, I do need to get the newsletter out by the 1st of the month. I am still required to have meeting minutes, officer reports and event announcements in the newsletter. All of these items should be received by me by the 25th of the month.

Thank you to those that contributed to our various regular features, Her Excellency Mistress Martel for her article on Strawberries, Lord Randvar for his Yule poem, His Excellency Master Tristan for his historical tidbit of how Bright Hills got its name, and the Cooks' Guild for allowing me to pull a recipe from their archives. The cover is the work of the Lady Amelia Rosa. Thank you Lady Amelia.

B. **Herald: Lady Beatrice Sherwood** - It's been a fairly slow month overall. Several gentles from our Barony have names, devices, etc. in commentary at present, and I will continue to monitor these while providing what input I can to the College. I'm also pleased to announce that we have yet another herald in our Barony, as Winifred is now a warranted herald.

C. **Webminster: Lord Janyn** – Nothing much to report this month. I will be postponing the rollover of the Baronial site from its current software to Wordpress as we are not quite ready to make that move due to some other issues I am assisting Master Talorgen with first. The site is up to date and I have been updating the KASF information as requested.

D. **MOAS: Lady Reyne Telerius** - Once again, my report this month is quite short, as almost no guilds have reported in. I continue to have a great deal of difficulty get most Guild Ministers to send me anything.

Several members of Bright Hills did a demo for the Girl Scouts. Lady Wynne sent in the following report.

On Saturday, December 21, six members of our illustrious barony, traveled into the fabled city of Baltimore to impart their knowledge and guidance at a gathering of Girl Scouts sponsored by the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra.



Earlier in the year, I had been invited by a former Flag House co-worker to assist in a Girl Scout craft day at the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra. Later, I realized that I'd need more help than previously thought and my call was answered by, Mistress Brienna, Lady Daniela, Lady Rebekkah, Lady Nem, Aye der Dunkele Rotvogel.

Our travels to the site were uneventful and after securing lodging for Mistress' Brienna's dragon we met Rebekkah and Daniela already set up and preparing for a flurry of activity with very curious young ladies. At noon, we were happily overwhelmed by close to 200 girls plus their parents and Leaders. During the three sessions, we were able to introduce our visitors to quilling, by Lady Rebekkah, calligraphy by Lady Daniela, inkle weaving by Mistress Brienna and card weaving by Lady Nem, Aye (Brienna's daughter) and myself. Not only did we serve the girls, but many parents and Leaders joined in on the fun and we answered questions about the various crafts we were presenting, and our great Barony. In fact, Lady Nem reported that one of the performers is quite interested in attending our meetings...and she has a guitar!

Afterwards, we were able to attend the marvelous presentation of the Baltimore School for the Arts "The Nutcracker". We did attract much attention while finding our seats and during the intermission again answered questions about the barony and the SCA.

Our travels home were safe and happy and we hope to see new members attend our meeting soon.

I am very grateful to these Ladies and their talents. They were well received and a great reflection of service on the Barony. This could have not gone as well as it did without them. My friend Adeline Sutter, BSO publicity, was ecstatic to have us and hope to see us next year, if the Girl Scout activity is offered again.

THANK-YOU Ladies...you are my heroes!

In service to Bright Hills and Atlantia,

Lady Wynne ferch Rhodri ap Hwytell

Lady Ingeborg reports that Daveed came to go over plans for our assistance with the children's Medieval mixed with fantasy event he has planned for December 31 at Port Discovery Children's Museum in Baltimore. Our board appointed me to be his liaison. As we count this as a Demo and need an appointed SCA autocrat. The event runs from arrival for setup at 9 am to ending at 2 pm. (leaving plenty of time to go to your New Year Eve's destination for adults). Daveed will be posting more on the event this weekend. If you would like the fun of one last event in 2013--indoors--do join us. :)

Friday night fighter practice continues to draw people, and many A&S projects are worked on. However, classes remain mostly pick-ups, as no one seems interested in scheduling any formal classes.

Also, due to my work schedule, I was not able to attend Unevent. I have not gotten a report on what occurred during that meeting from the K-MoAS.

Guild Reports:

1. Armors: No report
2. Brewers: No report
3. Cheesemongers: No report
4. Clothiers: No report
5. Cooks: – It having been the 15th of December we gathered together at the home of the wonderful Lady Beatrice to share a little holiday cheer, celebrate the Birthday of Raven with a gorgeous cake made by Poline, and to bandy about our latest notions of culinary excellence.

We will be having a Bake Sale at the Schola. I will be bringing three times the amount of water that I brought last time since we sold out in a matter of hours. We will have a variety of delicious homemade baked goods available to tempt the attendees.

The lunch for KASF will be to benefit the Cooks Guild. \$5 is the suggested donation.

The menu for KASF lunch is as follows: (so far)

Pierogies (beef and cheese) with onions and butter
Chicken Noodle Soup
Gourd Soup- vegetable stock with onions, and two kinds of squash
Semolina Bread
Butter
Olives
Beer Bread
Mac and Cheese
Carrots, Celery, Cucumbers, mini tomatoes and either blue cheese dip or ranch dip
Grilled cheese sandwiches for the Royals
Spiced Almonds

Desserts-
cookies
Welch Cakes
lemon Bars
Ho-Ho's
Butterscotch Bars

Lemonade
Iced Tea
Hot water for hot tea
Coffee

The purchase of thermal carafes was discussed for being able to provide hot beverages for the Royal Room.

We will be organizing a shopping day for Lord Bruce, who is the head cook for Birthday feast. We will be doing the shopping for Birthday Feast in January. A menu will be posted as soon as that is finalized.

If anyone is willing to donate some deer meat to our culinary efforts, please let Rowan know.

The particulars of Trial By Fire were discussed and since we are having (we hope) The Bacon Challenge with Storvik, Her Excellency has volunteered to speak with Baron Igor as to the particulars. With Trial By Fire we will have four winners and one overall champion. There will be a children's category as well. Prizes are being provided by The Cooks Guild members.

The January Meeting will be held at Lady Wynne's home on January 19th beginning at 2pm.

It being the holiday season we adjourned to sample various treats and wish each other well.

6. Herb Group: No report.
7. Illumination: No report
8. PAGE (Performing Arts Guild Extraordinaire): PAGE had practice and holiday party on December 22nd. Members of PAGE plan to attend Kingdom 12th night. We are also making plans for Baronial Birthday. No meeting dates have been scheduled for January or February as of yet.
9. St. Matthias: Nothing new, except the officers are thinking when to hold a meeting in early 2014.
10. Science: no report, though some interest was show in reviving this guild.
11. Scriptorium: Nothing to report at this time.
12. TAG: No report
13. Woodworkers: No report
14. Canton of Green Lion's Bay A&S: No report

- E. MOL: Lord Alexander Fowler - Some fighter cards were sent out still waiting reply from KMOL on missing checks and missing cards. Fighter data base still has problems
- F. Chatelaine: Lady Ingeborg - See FP reports I wrote after each one held since last report. Note: no FP held on the last Friday in 2013 (because only 2 days after Christmas).

BSO Demo for Girl Scouts held by our Autocrat, the gracious Lady Wynne. How many attended in total, Lady Wynne? See report by Lady Daniella to obtain the list of our Baronial demonstrators and their crafts.

The rest of the ladies are enjoying the nutcracker so I thought I'd drop a quick line to say. We were very well received by the Girl Scouts. They had a lot of fun learning the fiber arts from Ladies Wynne and Nem, seeing Mistress Brienna demo inkle weaving (Lindsay helped out throughout the event) there was a lot of interest in Lady Rebekkah's quilling and I calligged over 88 bookmarks. All in all a small outing made for a large impact!

YIS,

Lady Daniela Schwarhaupt

Coming up-- Port Discovery Demo on 3/31, New Year's Eve day. Autocrat Is Lady Ingeborg; local contact is Daveed Korup.

I'm corresponding with Lady Esperanza who is interested in a mini-demo in 2014 for a homeschool group of 15 people--students (mostly age 8) plus adults.

1. Friday December 6: Would you believe seven of us came thru the mini-monsoon to Fighter Practice tonight! Swieczka and Brienna cut up materials that will become a beautiful salwah for Atlantia's 12th Night on January 11. Tarquinia is on the kumihimo circle; Wynne and I are busy gabbing, while in this other corner Elizabeth and her sewing assistant William are alternately ripping stitches and sewing on the portable Brother to make beautiful caftans.

2. Friday the 13th was BUSY in the Baronial hall! We had above 25 members. Lots of garb-making going on - Eastern garb for Atlantia's upcoming 12th Night. Pinning, cutting, conferring AND the expert garbist Lady Catriona, who came from a distant part of the Barony to share her knowledge.

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The fighters who came were in a talkative mood--and wishing for fresh blood, umm, students! Yes, wishing for students, and The Horney Viking shared his new poetry pieces.

The most kind Lady Wynne has accepted guardianship of the Baronial key and will open the Hall next Friday for Fighter Practice, and on the first Friday in 2014 - which will be our Barony of Bright Hills 12th Night Potluck Party. (No Good People, we will not have FP on Dec. 27, two days after Christmas.)

3. FP 12/20/13: Yes indeed, there was a fighter practice/baronial gathering/chat fest. Lady Ingeborg is out-of-kingdom right now and I am the holder of the key.

The gathering was lightly attended...Sir Alfred appeared to speak with our seneschal Lord Graham. Others in attendance were, Lord Randvar, Lady Nem, Lady Clara and a friend, Damien and Winifred Carruthers...Winifred is our newest herald!!! Our Baroness, Her Excellency Jeanne arrived and joined in with a most lively conversation about life the universe and everything. I hope I have remembered the names of all who attended...I was busy picking my way through tiny beads and am old and graying and sometimes I do not remember all that happens.

At closing time, we wished each other a Merry Christmas, a Happy New Years and a most fine holiday ever and promised to meet one another on the Third day of January in the New Year for our Traditional baronial Twelfth Night.

G. Youth Minister: Lady Wynne ferch Rhodri - Nothing new to report as of this time.

H. Knight's Marshall: Lord Kollack - I have little to report as Knights Marshal. I attended the Marshal meeting at unevent and there are a few changes in the armored combat rules. I would ask that all marshal's read the updated marshal guide which can be found on Atlantia Marshals website. And if there are any questions feel free to contact me and I will try to answer guest ions and try to explain the change.

I. Chiurgeon: Master Richard - No report.

J. Steward: Master Chirhart - Not much from the Stewards Office



LETTERS OF INTENT FOR BARON AND BARONESS

(1)

Unto Their Royal Majesties of Atlantia, King Ragnarr and Queen Lynette; Their Excellencies of Bright Hills, Baron Chirhart and Baroness Jean-Bec; The Seneschal of Bright Hills, Lord Graham MacRobert; and to the Noble People of the Barony of Bright Hills do we Master Richard ffaukes and Mistress Branwen Wallis send greetings:

We write to you all this day to announce our intent to put ourselves forward as candidates for Baron and Baroness of Bright Hills.

We have both been members of the Society for 25 years and have lived in this Barony for the last 6 years. Master Richard is a Provost of Atlantia, a member of the Order of the Pelican, a past University Chancellor, and currently serves as the Principal of the Order of the Golden Dolphin and the Bright Hills Baronial Chirurgeon. Mistress Branwen is a member of the Order of the Laurel, a past Royal Baker and is currently serving as the Kingdom Minister of Arts and Sciences.

We may be reached at richardffaukes@yahoo.com if anyone has any questions about us or our candidacy.

Your most sincere and humble servants,
Richard and Branwen

(2)

Unto our Majesties, Their Excellences of Bright Hills and to the populace of Bright Hills, Lord Kollack von Zweckel and Lady Rebecca von Zweckel give greetings.

Good Gentles,

It is our understanding that there is to be polling for the next Baron and Baroness of Bright Hills. I and my Lady wish to once again place ourselves before you as candidates for the baronage.

I, Lord Kollack von Zweckel have 23 years in the SCA. During that time I have shown my dedication to the dream and proven leadership and have received the Silverberg (2/97), inducted into order of the Blue Collar (2/98), received Silverberg Augmentation (2/04), the Baronial Award of Courtesy (5/05), Job (8/08), and inducted into the Order of St. Barbara (2/09), through the wonderful Barony of Bright Hills. Through the Kingdom of Atlantia I was inducted into the Order of the Sea Stag (8/04) awarded the Fountain (5/05) along with Supporters (5/05), became part of the Company of Sergeants of Saint Aidan (8/08), and inducted into the Order of the Kraken (6/09). And in February 2011 was inducted as

a Companion of the Golden Dolphin. This along with my job skills in management and customer service thru my job as a Lead Voice Communications Engineer have given me the skills necessary to effectively interact with a wide range of individuals and melding their strengths towards a common goal.

I, Lady Rebecca von Zweckel have served in the SCA for 22 years. I have had the honor of working with the Children's guild for the first of those years. Currently I have the pleasure of working with the marshalling activities in equestrian, combat archery and siege and have volunteered my time in becoming a marshal for both the equestrian and heavy weapons. I have been honored to receive the Blue Collar (11/98), Job (3/09), inducted into the Order of St. Barbara (2/13) and given the Baronial Award of Excellence (5/13) for my services thru the Barony. Through the Kingdom of Atlantia I was inducted to the Order King's Missiliers (2/11). Through my mundane career of Logistics Analyst for a large health care management company for several years I have extensive experience in customer service and a deep appreciation for the diversity and energy that make up our fair barony.

Even though we do not reside in Bright Hills, it is where we started in the SCA and happily have always called it our home. Between us both we believe we have the skills and mindset to foster working relationships along with implementing ideas and projects to benefit the barony as a whole. Our plans for the Barony would be to continue the upward path of our esteemed predecessors. Our Barony is an incredibly diverse and accomplished group and strong in both A&S and marshalling activities. It would be our greatest pleasure and honor to show Atlantia what our Barony has to offer. We both believe that it is the responsibility of the Baronage to be the advocates of the populace and to be role models of the dream.

Yours in Service;

Lord Kollack von Zweckel /Kenneth Kepple

Lady Rebecca von Zweckel / Rebecca Kepple

(3)

Unto their Royal Majesties, Ragnarr and Lynette; Their Royal Highnesses, William and Kara; and the most august populous of Bright Hills; do we, Lord Randver Askmaadr and THL Nem inghean Dochartaigh send our most heartfelt greetings.

We humbly submit this letter of intent to request the honor of being considered as the next Baron and Baroness of the great Barony of Bright Hills. If selected we would concentrate on uniting the barony through leadership, encouragement and participation.

We have been members of the Society for Creative Anachronism for 26 years and have had the privilege of being residents of The Principalities of Drachenwald and Glenn Abhann, the Kingdoms of Ansteorra, Meridies, finally settling in Atlantia where we have put down strong, permanent roots.

Currently I (Randver) am the Bright Hills heavy champion and have held this post for four years. I am a member of the Order the Silver Osprey, the Order of the Silberberg and the Order of Job. I have been awarded the baronial award excellence from Bright Hills and Lochmere. In conducting my business, "The Horny Viking" for the past 9 years I have learned the value of organization, patience, teaching, friendship, tact and service to others.

My lady (Nem) is a past Kingdom Equestrian Officer. She has won a House Corvus Decameron Purse. She is proto/apprentice to Duchess Marie Simon de Barjavel. She is a past Equestrian champion of Smith Keep and Grey Niche in Glean Abhann and is the current Equestrian champion of Bright Hills. She was the Hippatrian (Chief Safety Officer) and a Senior Equestrian marshal of The Meridies Equestrian College. She is a member of the Order of the Golden Lance of Atlantia, the Order of Job, the Opal, the Quintain, the Fountain, the Coral Branch, the Estoile (Grey Niche), the DeNial (Grey Niche), and the Rams Heart (Glenn Abhann). She also has been awarded the Bright Hills award of Excellence and the Shell and Crescent and is a member of the Kings Missiliers.

Support, encouragement and serving as role models are most important to us as members of barony and kingdom. To share the "Dream" with both new-comer and older members alike, is vital to this Society. We feel that our travels, service as officers and work as merchants has led us to warm friendships, an opportunity to mentor and a chance to encourage

both old and new members in their search for undiscovered talents. It is because these things were shared with me, I now find myself writing poetry, especially for my own dear wife and those who inspire me. Nem is serving Kingdom and Barony by providing both calligraphy and illumination for scrolls for awards both new and old. None of this could have happened had it not been for the guidance and mentoring of others. We sincerely wish to pass this on as the leaders of Bright Hills.

We remain your loyal subjects in service to the Dream, The Kingdom of Atlantia and The Barony of Bright Hills.

We are Randver Askmadr and Nem inghean Dochartaigh

(4)

Unto Their Royal Majesties Ragnar Blackhammer and Lynette Semere, Their Royal Highnesses Guillaume Tomas le Lou and Kára Óláfsdóttir, Their Excellencies Chirhart Blackstar and Jeanne Teneur de Bec, and the wonderful populace of the Barony of Bright Hills, do we, THL Janyn Fletcher of Lancastreschire and Lady Aemilia Rosa send our warmest and most humble greetings.

This letter shall serve as our honest intention to put ourselves forward for consideration as candidates for the next term of service for Baron and Baroness of the Grand Barony of Bright Hills. We feel we can best serve our Kingdom and our Barony by offering ourselves for this position of territorial Coronet.

As long standing members of the Barony of Bright Hills, we have contributed in many capacities; Janyn is serving or has served as Deputy Knights Marshal, Target Archery Marshal and Webminister. Lady Aemilia is serving as the Clerk Signet and the Deputy Webminister. In addition, Aemilia and Janyn are extremely active in the Kingdom attending most events during the year. Janyn is currently the Deputy Earl Marshal for Target Archery for the Kingdom and Aemilia is the Deputy Backlog Clerk Signet for the Kingdom. Janyn has been active in Target Archery and Combat Archery for his SCA career. Janyn designed and is responsible for the St. Sebastian's archery shoot at Pennsic and has continued to run this event for the last 3 years. He is very active in the Arts and Sciences with pewter casting and fletching. Janyn is a fellow in the Atlantia University teaching both Archery, Archery Marshall Training and pewter casting curriculums. Aemilia is very active in the scribal arts and gives her service in the A&S community. Aemilia is an Illuminator and scribe providing many award and backlog scrolls to the populace of our Kingdom and Barony. Aemilia continues to lead and coordinate the Bright Hills Scribal Schola event.

In order to fully understand the commitment to which we are pledging ourselves, we have spoken to and discussed the matter with other Territorial Coronets and feel that we are prepared for the sacrifices we must make. To that end, we acknowledge and can accept the commitment of three years or more of service to the Barony of Bright Hills, of which we have seen the responsibilities as laid out in Corpora and Kingdom Law. If chosen, we intend to make ourselves available to the populace through all means, phone, email, events, practices, etc.

Our vision for the Barony is to enhance the camaraderie and pageantry. Leadership is essential for our Barony and we feel we bring that trait in our style. Both Aemilia and I are household neutral. We will continue to enthusiastically support all activities and interests of the Barony. We would like to see a strong rapier and heavy community grow and continue to build on the already strong Archery and A&S communities within the Barony.

Newcomers are the lifeblood of any organization and we would like to continue the Bright Hills tradition of welcoming newcomers which our Barony is so well known for.

We realize some of our ideas for the Barony may seem lofty, but we do not see them as out of reach. Bright Hills is full of amazing individuals and the Baron and Baroness are nothing without them. As such, we intend to support our officers and populous to the utmost of our abilities. We will be available to them whenever they have questions, need clarification, or just need someone to talk to. We will also rely on them to help make our vision a reality. As representatives of the Crown, we will be open to our populace; listening to them, their thoughts, their feelings, and relaying those opinions to the Crown as well as communicating the wishes of the Crown to our Populace. Bright Hills is our Home. We both are extremely active in the Kingdom and Barony and have the energy and drive to hold these positions to give all we have to the SCA and the Barony. Those that know us understand our willingness to learn, listen and support those who need or want it. To

that end we only hope we are given a fair chance to represent our Barony and Kingdom in a way we are very excited to do!

Yours in Service to the Dream,
THL Janyn Fletcher of Lancastreschire
Lady Aemilia Rosa

END



UPCOMING EVENTS



Bright Hills Twelfth Night

Friday, January 3rd

Time: 7 PM to 10 PM (with clean-up and out of the hall by 10pm)

Where: Christ the King church, 1930 Brookdale Road Baltimore, MD 21244

(In the same hall that is used for Friday night "fighter practice")

What to Wear: Garb would be fun and festive, but is optional

What to Bring (optional): Pot-luck dish to share. Feast gear.

Details: A pot-luck dish is requested, but not required. Do not expect to use the church kitchen for cooking. There will however be a place to reheat dishes, (microwave friendly would be a good thing), and place to plug in crockpots. PLEASE label your dish with the contents, we have a number of people with allergies and/or restrictive diets, and it is just common courtesy. Also if bringing a dish, please consider bringing something that is not a dessert or a bag of chips & dip.

There are no separate reservations, fees or cover charges for this local informal event. While it is intended mainly for the Barony of Bright Hills, all are welcome, so yes, you may bring non SCA folks, friends & neighbors, etc. There will be the usual Friday night donation box to help cover hall usage charges. \$1 per person is the suggested donation.

This is a rain or shine event and will only be cancelled if weather is such that Baltimore County closes schools for the day.



Twelfth Night January 11, 2014 Kingdom of Atlantia



The year is 1454, and Mehmed II, Sultan of the Ottoman Empire, Conqueror of Constantinople, and Emperor of Rome, has sent his swiftest and surest messengers across the land to summon all peoples of all faiths to return to their most regal and elegant capital city, to put aside all past differences and cares, to embrace one another freely as equal friends and countrymen, and to celebrate the diverse and joyous holidays of our many ancient faiths together at the dawning of the new year. Please join us as we recreate the magnificence and splendor of the Ottoman Court to celebrate Atlantian Twelfth Night, an evening filled with games, music, and a sumptuous Ottoman feast. Come for the revelry and the dancing, behold the wonders of our finest Artists and Scientists as they compete with their greatest works, explore our rich shared history through the persona pentathlon, and cheer on the entrants in our Ottoman-themed competition. It will be a night to remember!

Website: <http://twelfthnight.atlantia.sca.org/>

Arts & Sciences Activities: A wondrous multitude of Arts & Sciences presentations, performances, and activities have been planned for this festive occasion, including: Tempore Atlantia, Gaming Tournament [Fundraiser for the Shriners], a Twelfth Night Ball, musical performers and dancers. For more information visit <http://12thnight.atlantia.sca.org/as/>.

Cost:

Adult, Member:	\$13.00	Day-Trip	\$12.00	Feast
Adult, Non-Member:	\$18.00	Day-Trip	\$12.00	Feast
Youth (5-17):	\$7.00	Day-Trip	\$12.00	Feast
Child (0-4):	\$0.00	Day-Trip	\$12.00	Feast

Make Checks Payable To: SCA, Inc., Kingdom of Atlantia

Cost Notes: The feast fee for every seat is \$12.00. Unfortunately, all adult non-members must pay a \$5.00 surcharge mandated by the Society.

Site: The site will be the Almas Shriner's Temple, 1315 K Street NW, Washington, DC. The site open on Saturday January 11th at 8:00 AM and will close at 10:00 PM.

Site Restrictions: No outside alcohol is allowed due to Washington DC Alcohol regulations. There will be a cash bar open. Wine bottle service for feast can be purchased from the bar before it closes. Any questions contact, the autocrat.

Feast Information: Their Royal Majesties have searched their many lands to summon the very finest chefs, bakers, rotisseurs, and confectioners in the empire to prepare a grand feast that shall be long remembered! On the appointed evening, the Sultan's Hall of Delights shall be prepared to receive 200 noble guests to dine on the most splendid cuisines and indulgent dishes known to the civilized world. The Renowned Excellency of the Kitchens, Baroness Graciela Esperanca de Seville (Graciela Hutchings; hutchings1111@gmail.com), should be contacted regarding any dietary concerns. Please remember that the feast is sold by the seat, so all those who wish to fill a seat must pre-reserve. For more information visit <http://12thnight.atlantia.sca.org/feast/>.

Merchanting Information: You must pre-register to merchant. The deadline for merchant registration is midnight on Sunday, December 15, 2012. Space is given on a first-come, first-served basis. Please contact the Merchant Liaison, Eadric the Potter (Rob Van Rens), email: thatpotteryguy@gmail.com.

Autocrat's Information: Rayhana al-Sayyida bint Yusuf (Lea Ann Alonso), 1817 Belt Street, Baltimore, MD 21230, Phone: (407) 902-5400, E-mail: rayhana.bint.yusuf@gmail.com

Reservations: Mistress Helena of Roxbury Mill (Kathy Gildemeister), 12333 Sherwood Forest Drive, Mt Airy, MD 21771, Phone: (301) 865-4645, E-mail: exchequer@atlantia.sca.org

Directions: From Southern Virginia: Take I-95 N. Keep right onto I-395 N/I-95 Connector N and follow signs for I-395 N/I-495 N/Washington/Tysons Corner. Continue onto I-395 N. Take the 12th St exit toward L'Enfant Promenade. Slight Left onto 12th St Expy turns slightly left and becomes 12th St NW. Turn left on Pennsylvania Ave NW. Take the first right onto 13th St NW. Turn left onto K St NW. Destination will be on the right

From Southern Maryland: Take I-95 S. Merge onto MD-295, take slight right toward US-50 W/New York Ave NE (signs for US-50 W/Washington). Take the ramp onto US-50 W/New York Ave NE, continuing to follow New York Ave NE. Continue onto Mt Vernon Pl NW. Continue onto Massachusetts Avenue NW. Turn left onto 11th St NW. Turn right at the 2nd cross street on K St NW. Take the 3rd right onto 13th St NW. Destination will be on the right.





Mid-Winter's Revel: A Journey Along the Silk Road
January 25, 2014
Barony of Lochmere



Heed the call of the marketplace! The sweet smells of spice and incense, cinnamon and turmeric mingling with frankincense and myrrh. Scarlet, saffron and indigo fabrics surrounded by copper and brass. The music of the qānūn, oud, sheng, and koto fills the air...Join us in a Journey along the Silk Road from Kyushu to Samarkand to Constantinople. Spend a day filled with music, dancing, feasting and classes. Lochmere's Mid Winter Revel heads east to bring you the vibrant and exciting Journey along the Silk Road. With twice the space we normally use, we are expanding our event to encompass and celebrate the diversity of the Silk Road. We have space for dancers, musicians and merchants as well as classes and games.

Website: <http://lochmere.atlantia.sca.org/participate/events/mid2014/>

Arts & Sciences Activities: A day filled with opportunities awaits you! Classes include: Basic Middle Eastern Dance, Wire Weaving, Leather Working, Food Preservation (Curing), Persian Clothing, Middle Eastern Cooking and more! The populace of all ages is encouraged to participate in this open-ended Arts and Sciences competition. This competition can be for anything that could be found on the Silk Road that was bought, sold, or traded. Documentation is required. Two separate prizes will be awarded: one for food and one for goods. For those not wishing to compete, but would like to show-off their latest Arts and Sciences project and/or "Baronial Bling", a separate display will be available. Documentation is not required but appreciated. For more info, please contact Lady Erennach the Lost (Larissa Lefler). Phone: (443) 852-5923 (NLT 9PM), Email: Larissa.lefler@yahoo.com.

The bag game (with a twist) will be played throughout the day. But beware of robbers! Because not everyone you meet along the Silk Road is a nice, honest businessman! A prize will be given to the one with the most valuable objects by day's end.

Cost:

Adult, Member:	\$11.00 Day-Trip	\$11.00 Feast	\$0.00 Camping
Adult, Non-Member:	\$16.00 Day-Trip	\$11.00 Feast	\$0.00 Camping
Youth (5-17):	\$5.00 Day-Trip	\$11.00 Feast	\$0.00 Camping
Child (0-4):	\$0.00 Day-Trip	\$11.00 Feast	\$0.00 Camping

Make Checks Payable To: SCA-MD, Inc., Barony of Lochmere

Cost Notes: Family Cap: 2 adults & 2 children on board at \$66. Note: Lunch/Feast is \$11.00. The evening feast is included with the price of the Day-Board Lunch.

Site: St. Martin's in the Field Episcopal Church 375 Benfield Blvd. Severna Park, Maryland The site opens at 9am and closes at 11pm

Site Restrictions: NO pets except working animals. Site is handicapped accessible. Site is wet- beer and wine only. Buildings are smoke-free; those who smoke are asked to use the ashtrays available outside Parish Hall and Heck Hall. Candles may be used only if the flame is enclosed. Heck Hall must be evacuated by 4pm.

Feast Information: A regional culinary extravaganza that will tempt vegetarians and carnivores alike will be prepared by the unparalleled Lady Christiana Iarina Chaykinaia (CC Suggs). Please contact her with any dietary concerns/questions at the following email: ccs_meow@yahoo.com. Note: The evening feast is included with the price of the Day-Board Lunch.

First Course (Served as Lunch Day-Board):

Bestels de la Viande/Beef filled pastries
Sambusek b'jibneh/Cheese turnovers
Sbanik bil Ajeen/Spinach turnovers

Soupe de Courge Rouge/Squash soup
Dolma/Veggie stuffed grape leaves
Koruzott Juhturobol/Feta with spices
Olives Marinees
Naan
Assorted Fruits and Sauces

Second Course:

Tuffahiyya/Apple Compote
Mandazi/Savory Breads
Turkman Plov/Rice Pilaf
Borani Esfanaj/Spinach salad
Katuski/Chicken

Third Course:

Assorted Pickles
Salad de Carottes et Cumin/Carrot salad
Mujaddara/Lentils and rice
Sashlyk/Lamb skewers

Fourth Course (Served as Dessert Side-Board):

Haroset/Mince-meat cookies
Samosa/Walnut fritters
Khaplse/Honey rice cookies
Ghraybeh/Butter biscuits
Ma'Amoul/Date and Nut cookies
Chogi Torti/Cherry tarts

Drinks will be included with meals

Merchanting Information: Merchant space is available! A 10' x 10' space in Heck Hall may be rented from 9AM – 4PM for \$5. Merchants please bring your own tables. Additional tables may be available for \$5/each. For merchant information, please contact Lady Gwen ferch Llywellyn (Stefanie Fogle). Email: kanamidori@gmail.com

Autocrat's Information: Lady Genevieve Dompier du Marche (Karen Kalbaugh), 8306 Widgeon Place, LAUREL, MD 20724, Phone: (313) 330.7441, E-mail: k_kalbaugh@yahoo.com

Reservations: Mistress Arianna Morgan (Chris Stuermer), 405 Arundel Road, Tracys Landing , MD 20779, Phone: (410) 286.8108, E-mail: chrissings@juno.com

Directions: Take the most convenient route to I-97, Exit 10. Follow Benfield Blvd. to East for 3.5 miles to the site; the church is on the right.

**Kingdom Arts & Sciences Festival
February 1, 2014
Barony of Bright Hills**

The Barony of Bright Hills and their cousins, The Barony of Highland Foorde, cordially invite all who are interested in the Arts and Sciences to join us on Saturday, February 1, 2014, for a day of A&S activities at the Carroll County Agriculture Center in Westminster, Maryland.

Among the activities and competitions are the Persona Pentathlon/Triathlon, Baronial A&S Champions competition, Royal Baker and Royal Brewer competition, Gyrth Oldcastle Poetry Smackdown, and much more. We also have limited room for classes; please contact the autocrat regarding class space. There will be merchants galore.

Website: <http://brighthills.net/events/KASF2014.html>

We have plenty of display space for your beautiful work. In addition to the Persona Pentathlon, Kingdom Baker, and Inter-Baronial A&S Champions competition, there is an Archery A&S Competition and a Challenge from a Rose. The Gyrth Oldcastle Memorial Poetry Smackdown will also be held. For our youth there is a Persona Triathlon and youth activities. There will be performers as well. And there is space for classes to be held throughout the day, please contact the autocrat.

Cost:

Adult, Member:	\$12.00	Day-Trip	\$0.00	Feast	\$0.00	Camping
Adult, Non-Member:	\$17.00	Day-Trip	\$0.00	Feast	\$0.00	Camping
Youth (6-17):	\$6.00	Day-Trip	\$0.00	Feast	\$0.00	Camping
Child (0-5):	\$0.00	Day-Trip	\$0.00	Feast	\$0.00	Camping

Make Checks Payable To: SCA-MD, Inc., Barony of Bright Hills

Cost Notes: ACCEPS will be available. There will be a family ceiling of \$36.00, not including the non-member surcharge of \$5.00 per adult (family ceiling is \$46.00 for non-members).

A fundraiser lunch will be held by the famous Bright Hills Cooks Guild. Cost is by Donation. The suggested donation \$5. Please contact Countess Rowan regarding any dietary concerns at gerkeeper@mac.com

Menu:

Pierogies (beef and cheese) with onions and butter
Chicken Noodle Soup
Gourd Soup- vegetable stock with onions, and two kinds of
Squash
Semolina Bread
Butter
Olives
Beer Bread
Mac and Cheese
Carrots, Celery, Cucumbers, mini tomatoes and either blue
Cheese dip or ranch dip
Spiced Almonds

Desserts-

Cookies
Welch Cakes
Lemon Bars
Ho-Ho's
Butterscotch Bars

Lemonade
Iced Tea
Hot water for hot tea
Coffee

Site: Carroll County Agriculture Center, 706 Agriculture Center Drive, Westminster, Maryland 21157. Site opens at 9:00 a.m. for set up and activities will begin at 10:00 a.m. Site closes at 7:00 p.m.

Site Restrictions: The site is wet. Service animals are permitted (you provide sanitation services for them).

Merchanting Information: Tables will be provided at a cost of \$5 each. Each merchant will be allotted an 8' x 8' space. Space is limited so register early. Our merchant coordinator is Baroness Francesca Angelo at hfbaroness@highland-foorde.atlantia.sca.org

Other Information: Local Hotels are the Best Western Westminster, The Boston Inn and the Days Inn

Autocrat's Information: Lady Katarzyna Witkowska (Katherine Hawkins), 439 Main Street, Reisterstown, MD 21136, Phone: (443) 813-1436, E-mail: k_hawk_us@yahoo.com

Reservations: Lady Livia di Samuelle (Shirelle Abramson), 7927 Mandan Road, Apt. 104, Greenbelt, MD 20770, Phone: (301) 807-5476, E-mail: abramsonsm@yahoo.com

For more information, please go to our website. You can sign up for table space and some of the competitions.

<http://brighthills.atlantia.sca.org/events/KASF2014.html>

If your questions are not answered there, please feel free to contact me personally. If you would like to teach a class, please also send an email to me.

Please come and join us. Both of our Baronies are looking forward to hosting this event.

Lady Katarzyna Witkowska

Directions:

From the North:

(directions given from Hanover, PA to the Ag Center) Take Rt. 94 South (becomes MD Rt. 30 at the state line). Follow 30 to Manchester and turn right on Rt. 27. Follow Rt. 27 to Rt. 140 East (in Westminster). Turn left onto the ramp to 140 East and travel to the first traffic light. Turn right onto Center Street. Take Center Street through two traffic lights to Gist Road. Turn right on Gist Road and follow signs to new entrance. Turn right onto new Ag Center drive.

From the South:

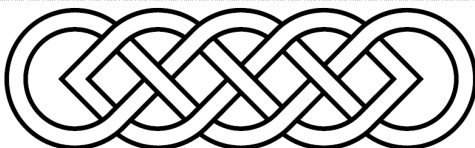
Take Interstate 270 North to Rt. 27. Follow Rt. 27 to Kate Wagner Road. (Kate Wagner Road intersects Rt. 27 before you reach the city of Westminster) Make a right onto Kate Wagner Road (which intersects Rt. 27 at a traffic light) and follow approximately 1.2 miles. Turn left onto Gist Road. Continue on Gist Road until you reach Smith Ave at stop sign. Continue on Gist Road about 1/2 block and make left at new Ag Center entrance,

From the East:

From Baltimore Beltway 695, take Interstate 795 north toward Westminster. Follow the signs onto MD 140 and take 140 into Westminster. Turn left onto Center Street. Take Center Street through two traffic lights to Gist Road. Turn right on Gist Road and follow signs to new entrance. turn right onto new Ag Center drive.

From the West:

Take I-70 East to the Mt. Airy/Route 27 Exit. Head North on Rt. 27 toward Westminster for approximately 15 miles. Make a right onto Kate Wagner Road (which intersects Rt. 27 at a traffic light) and follow approximately 1.2 miles. Turn left onto Gist Road. Continue on Gist Road until you reach Smith Ave at stop sign. Continue on Gist Road about 1/2 block and make left at new Ag Center entrance.



Bright Hills Baronial Birthday



February 8, 2014

Join us as we wish Master Chirhart and Mistress Jeanne a Happy Retirement and welcome Their Heirs as the 7th Coronets of Bright Hills. In the dim and misty past (20 years ago), Bright Hills became the 13th barony of the Kingdom of Atlantia. Perhaps knowing that they were beginning a long tradition, the weather gods marked the occasion with a snow storm that closed the site. By royal decree the event took place in spite of the weather, in the home of the gracious Master Chirhart and Mistress Jeanne.

Preserving the Past:

In celebration of our two decades of baronial status (and our prior history as the Shire of Bright Hills), we wish to gather any records not yet preserved on the baronial archives. Since those ancient times saw the infancy of not only the barony but also the mystical art of digital photography, we ask everyone to look to your albums and bring old photographs of baronial history to the hall, where there will be three scanners set up for copying them. We will have a book of the sagas and stories -- please stop by and add stories you would like to have remembered. You can send them ahead of time by the hand of your virtual scribe [email], bring printed copies to the event, or sit down and record any you recall that day.

The events officially runs from 10am to 10pm. Volunteers for set up and clean up outside of those hours are welcome! Schedule and activity updates will appear on the event webpage.

MARTIAL ACTIVITIES See MIC Lord Godai Katsunaga(Gordon Kinnie)

ARTS & SCIENCES ACTIVITIES

Championship Competitions: Their Excellencies will be choosing new Baronial Champions for Arts and Sciences and Brewing at Baronial Birthday. Competition details to be announced later.

A&S Display: In addition to the competitions, there will ALSO be space for displays of completed projects and works in progress seeking commentary. We also invite experienced artists to display their arts and documentation to offer examples for those still learning how to document and display their projects. Bring your project and documentation for display.

Bardic Bearpit: Bring your late period chops for the seventh annual Bardic at Five Paces- a Bardic Bear Pit competition- come prepared with your best bardic skills and a diversity of weapons styles to meet every challenge!

Space will also be available for bards to congregate, sing, swap stories, share songs and brew mischief with the Bright Hills "Sekunjabin Tavern" hosted by Lady Livia di Samuele.

Cost:

Adult, Member: \$8.00 Day-Trip \$10.00 Feast \$0.00 Camping
Adult, Non-Member: \$13.00 Day-Trip \$10.00 Feast \$0.00 Camping
Youth (6-17): \$5.00 Day-Trip \$10.00 Feast \$0.00 Camping
Child (0-5): \$0.00 Day-Trip \$0.00 Feast \$0.00 Camping

Make Checks Payable To: SCA-MD, Inc., Barony of Bright Hills

Cost Notes: No family (of parents and children) shall pay more than \$40 total in site fees. Total refunds will be available if the autocrat receives your request by February 2nd, 2013. Onsite feast refunds are available ONLY if we are able to resell your seat.

Site: Manchester Volunteer Fire Company Social Hall, on fairgrounds at York Street and Locust Street, 3291 York Street, Manchester, MD 21102. Site opens 10am, closes 10pm.

Site Restrictions: This site is wet. No smoking in any building. Pets must be leashed and cleaned up after. The building is handicapped accessible and has accessible restrooms.

ON-SITE FOOD

Lunch will be offered as a fundraiser by the Archers.

Feast (in the evening) will be prepared by The Bright Hills Cooks Guild. The complete menu will be available on the event website. Please notify the autocrat of any food allergy issues **NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 1** if you wish special accommodations.

Advance reservations for feast are highly recommended as **ONLY 10 FEAST SEATS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR**. The only good reservation is a paid reservation. Please include your member # and expiration date if you are reserving at the member rate. Registration will be open the day of the event from 10am-4pm.

MERCHANT INFORMATION: Merchants are welcome, and should contact Randy Feldman (Horny Viking). Current merchant listings will be on the event website.

CHILDREN'S INFO: We will have the ever popular "children's corner" and activities will be available through the day. Parents must supervise their child while at children's corner!

Autocrat's Information: Lady Livia di Samuele (Sherrill Abramson), 7927 Mandan Road, Apt 104, Greenbelt, MD 20770, Phone: (301) 807-5476, E-mail: Abramsonsm@gmail.com

Reservations: Send reservations to autocrat

Directions:

From the South: Take your best route to I-795 northwest of the Baltimore Beltway (I-695) and continue to Exit 9A toward Hanover, merge onto Butler Rd./MD-128/MD-795, Turn left at Hanover Rd./MD-30 and continue 13.4 miles then turn right on York St. and go 0.3 miles to destination on right. The entrance is at the corner of York and Locust streets.

From the North: Take I-83 south to Exit 8 for PA-216 South toward Glen Rock, follow onto PA-216/Sticks School Rd., take Right at PA-516/Lineboro Rd., Continue East on Main St./MD-86, make slight left on Water Tank Rd., continue straight onto Millers Stations Rd., continue on York St. to destination on left.



Bright Hills Scribal Schola! **March 15, 2014**

Are you interested in the scribal arts? perhaps you need a refresher in a certain area? Are there books you want but do not have the budget? Then this may just be the place for you! Our Scribal Schola will have classes for beginners and experienced artists in calligraphy, illumination, writing scrolls, poetry in scrolls, bookbinding, and other exciting areas. Participants and teachers will receive university credit for this event. Please contact Lady Aemilia Rosa at aemiliarosa@comcast.net if you wish to sign up as a teacher.

We will have a display table for scribal and heraldic items. We encourage you to bring brag books, samples, or framed items to show off. A limited number of picture stands will be available for your use to show your work to its best advantage.

We will offer a research library with books on loan from anyone who is willing to bring books to share. This will be in a clean room where **NO FOOD, DRINKS, or BACKPACKS or BAGS** will be allowed. **ALL** items will be checked at the door.

We will have scanners/copiers to make paper copies for a small fee of 10 cents per copy to cover paper and ink costs. Bring a thumb drive if you'd rather scan a copy for your own use at no charge. We also suggest you take photos of information you'd like to keep.

If you bring books to loan PLEASE tie a ribbon through the book/spine with a label that has your name and email address to identify your books. We will have labels and ribbon on the day but check in will go much quicker if you have your books prepared. ALSO please supply the Librarian with a printed list of the books you bring. Contact our librarian, Mistress Martelle von Charlottenburg, at mistress.martelvonc@gmail.com for more information on the displays or the research library.

Again this year, we are gathering teachers in the scribal arts to present classes for beginners and experienced artists in calligraphy, illumination, writing scrolls, poetry in scrolls, bookbinding, and other exciting areas. Participants and teachers will receive university credit for this event. Please contact Lady Aemilia Rosa at aemiliarosa@comcast.net to sign up as a teacher.

Early student registration will be available as soon as all teachers are recruited and assigned. Please check our website for further information.

DISPLAYS: We will have a display table for scribal and heraldic items. We encourage you to bring brag books, samples, framed items, etc., to show. A limited number of picture stands will be available for your use to show your work to its best advantage.

RESEARCH LIBRARY: We will offer a research library with books on loan from anyone who would be willing to bring books to share. This will be in a clean room where NO FOOD, DRINKS, or BACKPACKS or BAGS will be allowed. Please check your items at the door.

We will have scanner/copiers to make paper copies for a small fee of 10 cents per copy to cover paper and ink costs. Bring a thumb drive if you'd rather scan a copy for your own use at no charge. We also suggest you take photos of information you'd like to keep.

Arts & Sciences Activities: Classes, displays and research library

Cost:

Adult, Member: \$8.00 Day-Trip

Adult, Non-Member: \$13.00 Day

Youth (6-17): \$5.00

Child (0-5): \$0.00

Make Checks Payable To: SCA-MD, Inc., Barony of Bright Hills

Site: First Lutheran Church of Towson, 40 East Burke Avenue, Towson, MD 21286. Site opens 9 a.m., closes 6:00 p.m.

Site Restrictions: No pets. Alcohol – no hard liquor, beers and wines allowed

Feast Information: There will be a fundraiser lunch.

Merchanting Information: Merchants are welcome; we do have limited space, contact Lady Katarzyna (k_hawk_us@yahoo.com).

Other Information: Site Opens at 9 a.m. Classes start at 10:00 a.m. Lunch from 12:00 to 1:30 p.m. Classes end at 5:30 p.m.

Hotel/Crash Site Information: Please see website for a list of hotels. You may contact Lady Wynne ferch Rhodri for information on crash sites at jay_wynne@hotmail.com

Autocrat's Information: Lady Katarzyna Witkowska (Katherine Hawkins), 439 Main Street, Reisterstown, MD 21136,
Phone: (443) 813-1436, E-mail: k_hawk_us@yahoo.com

Reservations: Please send reservations to autocrat,

Directions: Take your best route to I-695 N. Take Exit 27A MD-126 S / Dulaney Valley Rd toward Towson. Turn right at Dulaney Valley Rd / MD 146 S. At the traffic circle, take the 3rd exit onto Dulaney Valley Rd / York Road. Turn left at E. Burke Ave. The church is on your left. Parking is behind the church and in the field next it. Additional Parking can be found on the surrounding streets.



The Artisans' Cabinet

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A Short, But Sweet History of the Wonderful Strawberry.

“Wife, into the Garden and set me a plot

With strawberry roots, the best to be got.

Such growing abroad among thorns in the wood,

Well chosen and picked, prove excellent good.”

“Doubtless God could have made a better berry, but doubtless God never did”

Strawberries are soft fruit cultivated for its sweetness and juicy red flesh. It is also found as a small ground berry in the wild. In its wild state the strawberry grows much as it's cultivated cousin does with vine like stems and lush green leaves. The main difference is that the fruit of the wild strawberry is tiny in size compared to the strawberry that was grown in gardens over a large part of Europe which are large and plump.

The name “strawberry” did not come into use until 1538. Before this time the berry was called by its Anglo-Saxon name of “Streoberie”. No one is quite sure how this fruit got its name. It is sometimes thought that because straw is used under the plants to protect the berries from the ground that this is why they are called “Strawberries”. Another school of thought believes that the name derives from the way the plant trail along the ground with runners branching off in all directions. In Latin the name for strawberries is “Fragra” or fragrant. By any name it is just as sweet!

Many countries have had strawberries for hundreds of years. Italy is known to have had these plants as far back as 234 BC. When the first Europeans came to the new world at approximately 1588, they found that the native Americans were using strawberries mixed with cornmeal to make a sort of fruit-bread. It still is a popular and easy crop to grow. Many home gardens sport a row or two.

Strawberries are a symbol of love and romance. The aphrodisiac qualities of the beautiful strawberry is thought to be because it is bright red and shaped like a heart. The goddess Venus is associated with the strawberry because she is the

Goddess of love and beauty. Legend says that if a double strawberry is broken and shared by two people they will immediately fall in love. So much care must be taken with this voluptuous fruit!

My recipe is for Strawberries and Sweetened cream. This time of year it is difficult to find fresh strawberries and you can substitute frozen berries in a pinch. Use heavy cream and sugar to taste and top your strawberries with this mixture but not so much as to be “soupy”. This dish was enjoyed in the 16th century in England. Bruyerin-Champier who was a physician to King Henry the IV noted that English ladies loved strawberries and cream so much that they began planting them in their own gardens. This dish is a favorite in England even today. It is still served at the Wimbledon Tennis matches each spring.

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Tales of Bright Hills Past and Present

Celerin was the first name we proposed but it was refused by Brigantia (East Kingdom head herald). Celerin means Silver Forest, so I translated that into several English versions and ended up with >one choice being Bright Hills (since hills covered in a silver >forest would be Bright!) and that is the name every one liked best so we submitted the Bright Hills as our name and that became our official name. I appreciate the mention of Celerin in the add personally, most people don't know we had that as a name even temporarily. Also, the decrescent on our Arms is a C for Celerin!

Master Tristan



Yule
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The time it is mid-winter
For Yule we must prepare
We must learn the Yule Songs
And the Yule Goat will be there
We will burn the Yule Log
To help us all survive
To hold another festival
The day that spring arrives



From the Bright Hills Kitchen:

Pomegranate Molasses Tea Cookies
from Countess Rowan Berran McDowell

3 cups all-purpose flour
1/2 teaspoon baking powder
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 cup (2 sticks) unsalted butter
3 ounces cream cheese
3 tablespoons of pomegranate molasses
1 1/3 cups sugar
2 large eggs
2 teaspoons vanilla extract
Assorted sprinkles or finely chopped walnuts or sanding sugar

DIRECTIONS:

In a medium bowl, sift together the flour, baking powder and salt.

In the bowl beat the butter until smooth, about 2 minutes. Add the sugar and continue beating until the mixture is light and fluffy, about 3 minutes. Add the eggs one at a time, beating between each addition, then add the vanilla, cream cheese and pomegranate molasses.

Turn the mixer off. Add the flour and then beat just until combined.

Remove the dough, shape it into a ball and wrap it securely in plastic wrap. Refrigerate the dough for a minimum of 1 hour. You can also refrigerate overnight or for about a week in the freezer.

When ready to bake, preheat the oven to 350°F and line two baking sheets with parchment paper.

Remove the dough from the fridge and cut it in half. Roll half the dough between two pieces of wax paper until it's about the size of a 2.5 inch wide log. After forming the logs, sprinkle each one with either finely chopped walnuts or sanding sugar and roll the log until it's completely coated. Wrap the logs in Plastic wrap/ Chill the logs for another hour in the fridge. When thoroughly chilled, remove one log at a time (leave the other in the fridge to keep it chilled) and using a very sharp knife, roll and cut 1/2 to 1/4 inch disks arranging them about an inch apart from each other on a cookie sheet.

You can use a cookie stamp to decorate them by dipping the cookie stamp in flour then gently pressing it into the cookie dough circles making a bit of an edge. Do this after you've placed the disks on the cookie sheets/

Bake the cookies for 9 to 11 minutes until pale golden, and then transfer them to a rack to cool completely.



Port Discovery Demo



THL Wynne, THL Graham and Lord Kollack prepare for Wack-a-Knight.



Lady Alexandra runs the Ring Joust



Lady Daniella scribes bookmarks



THL Wynne heralds Wack-a-Knight



Beth spins yarn.



Lady Ingeborg writes certificates.



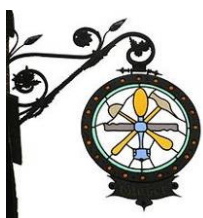
Beatrice weaves on her inkle loom.



Current Baronial Champions



Archery: Baron Barre FitzRobert
Arts and Sciences: Countess Rowan Berran McDowell
Bardic: Milady Brigid Cunningham
Baronial Warlord: Lord Kollack von Zweckel
Brewer: Mistress Brienna Llewellyn Lindsay
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Children's Archery- M'Lord Pietre Witkowski



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Barony of the Bright Hills Practices and Meetings Site Directions

Heavy and Light Weapons Fighter Practices and A&S classes are held most Friday nights from 7:30 PM-10 PM
Business Meetings are held from 7 PM-8 PM the last Friday of the month (Please See Calendar)
Location: Christ the King Episcopal Church, 1930 Brookdale Rd., Baltimore, MD 21244

Although we use these facilities, the SCA is not endorsed by the Church.

Directions: Exit the Baltimore Beltway (I-695) at Exit 17 (Security Blvd Exit). Take the exit west toward Rolling Road, not the exit east toward Woodlawn. Travel west along Security Boulevard about one-half mile, through traffic-lights at Belmont Avenue, Lord Baltimore Drive, and Rolling Road. Continue west for another block, until you reach Brookdale Road. The Episcopal Church of Christ the King is on your left. Make a left turn onto Brookdale, and then turn right into the Church parking lot.



INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

If Baltimore County Schools announce they are closed or closing early, there will be no practice that night. You can usually hear the school closing lists on virtually any local radio station broadcast throughout the morning.



Sunday Afternoon Archery Practice

Lady Nichola Blackwell, 301-404-6133

Every Sunday 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm (See Calendar)

Location: Baltimore Bowmen Site

Go to www.baltimorebowmen.com for directions. If the gate is closed, check to make sure it is not locked. If it is not locked, open it and drive down the hill to the butts. If the gate is locked, park your car and walk down the hill to the butts.

NOTE: PRACTICE WILL NOT BE HELD WHEN THERE ARE WEEKEND-LONG EVENTS AND WHEN THERE ARE EVENTS AT THE BOWMEN SITE.



Guild Gatherings:



Bardic Circle/PAGE (Sundays 4-8pm; Call Lady Nina for exact dates or check calendar)

Woodworkers' Guild (Check Calendar)

Lady Nina and Lord Luke of Bright Hills' house. 1020 Register Avenue, Towson, MD 21239, (410) 377-6828.

Directions: Take Baltimore Beltway 695 toward Towson. We live near the northern apex of the beltway. Take exit 29 from 695. Take Loch Raven Blvd. south, past Taylor Ave. intersection, go through two lights after Taylor, look for quick right onto Regester Avenue just over peak of a hill. (If you miss Regester Ave. don't despair: at next light make a right

onto Loch Hill Rd., then left at stop sign onto Regester Ave. If you've gone too far on Loch Raven, you will reach Northern Parkway – a huge intersection.) Our house is at 1020 Regester – white house with porch on right with SCA-type banner hanging from a signpost on front lawn - large driveway. Park on the south side of Regester Avenue if there is no room in driveway.



Brewer's Guild

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Clothier's Guild

Lady Faye de Trees, 1402 Hillside Dr., Bel Air, MD 21015; (410) 838-9694

The clothiers currently do one class per month on a specific project at Friday night fighter practice followed by a sewing session on Sunday afternoon to finish the projects. The location of the Sunday sessions varies. (Check calendar)



Textile Arts Guild

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TAG meets the first Sunday of every month. Check calendar for location and times



Armorsers' Guild

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Cook's Guild

Countess Rowan, gerkeeper@mac.com
Meets second Sunday of the month. Check calendar for location and time.



Gold Key

To Access Gold Key garb, Contact Mistress Martelle 443-326-0876



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