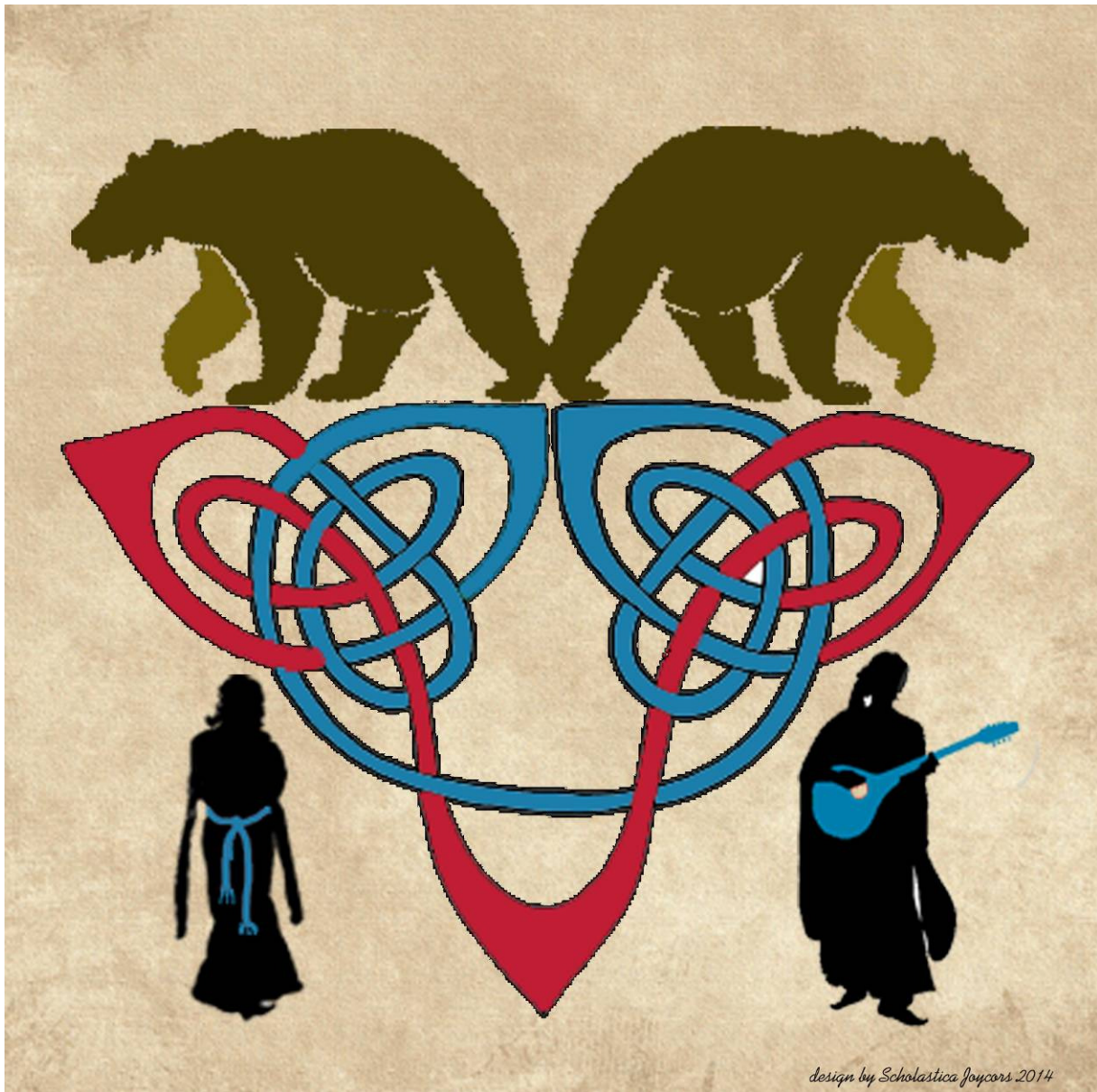


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The Newsletter of the Barony of Bright Hills
Of the Kingdom of Atlantia
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Baronial Calendar

March

1 Kingdom University – Sacred Stone

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1 PM: Archery Practice – Weather permitting

1 PM: Textile Arts Guild

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7:30 PM: Fighter Practice

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St. Paddy's Day Blood Bath – Ponte Alto

9-16

Gulf Wars - Gleann Abhann

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1 PM: Archery Practice – Weather permitting

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7:30 PM: Fighter Practice

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Scribal Schola – Bright Hills

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1 PM: Archery Practice – Weather permitting

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Yeoman deadline

7:30 PM: Fighter Practice

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Night On The Town - Lochmere

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1 PM: Archery Practice – Weather permitting

2 PM: Cook's Guild – Briana's house

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7 PM: Board Meeting

7:30 PM: Fighter Practice

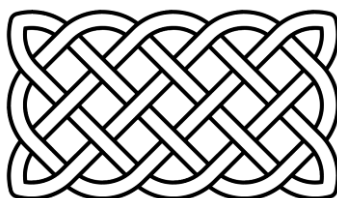
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Defending The Gate – Sudentorre

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1 PM Archery Practice – Weather Permitting

4 PM PAGE



From the Baron and Baroness



Greetings and Good Wishes to the Barony from Chirhart Blackstar and Jeanne Teneur de Bec, Baron and Baroness of Bright Hills!

Despite the fact that the calendar shows that spring is fast approaching, Mother Nature seems to have other plans for us. We are truly weather weary and praying for warmer weather!

Last month the barony successfully hosted two back to back events. The first was the Kingdom Arts and Sciences Festival. There were nearly 300 in attendance, offering the best of the arts and sciences in the kingdom. The partnership with our sister barony, Highland Foorde, was very successful and we will look for opportunities to work together in the future.

A week later, Bright Hills celebrated the 20th anniversary of our elevation to Barony! It was a wonderful and fun party that gave us all an opportunity to reminisce and to marvel at pictures of our past and to tell old stories. We thank Lady Livi for the lovely day and the Cooks' Guild, led by Lord Bruce Murray, for a wonderful feast that included many of the barony's favorite dishes.

In Your Service, we are

Chirhart and Jeanne,
Baron and Baroness of Bright Hills.



From the Chronicler

My warrant has been renewed for another 2 years. I am very happy to continue in my post. I am not planning on any changes to the newsletter. I have heard many a compliment about the Yeoman, so I will continue it in its present format. However, I am always open to suggestions.

The kingdom chronicler continues to make changes. Right now we are being asked to learn the new kingdom policies, so that is what I am concentrating on at present. I sent an email to all of Bright Hills alerting them to policy of sending releases and posted the releases on the list for easy access. Again, since the new kingdom chronicler would like all newsletters done by the 25th of the month, I am asking for articles by the 20th so that we can be ready to go out as soon as I receive the meeting minutes.

I need to say thank you to Lady Scholastica for her lovely cover, THL Katarzyna for her beautiful poem and documentation, Countess Rowan for her Carrot Salad recipe, and Lady Wanda for her great pictures she takes. This newsletter truly shows that "only the beast" comes from Bright Hills, the 13th and best barony in Atlantia.

THL Sindara Lind Rachael Fessel of the Falconshield
Chronicler of the Barony Bright Hills

Officers of the Barony of Bright Hills

MINUTES

January 24, 2014, 7:20 P.M.



I. Minutes of Previous Meeting – Minutes of the previous meeting as published in the Yeoman were reviewed. Robyn Becker motioned to approve. Kenneth Kepple seconded. Minutes were approved.

II. Attendees. Present were Graham Wright , Becky Ritterhouse, Michelle England, Kenneth Kepple, Jill Peters, Annelise Bauer, Karen Setze, Robert Jones, Sherrill Abramson, Karen Summerfelt Hume, and Hunter Fowler

III. Report of the Baronage – Baroness Jeanne: “A few weather issues aside, this has been a quiet month. We had Kingdom A&S and Birthday.” [Several others in attendance noted that they didn't rate two local events back to back as “quiet.”] Kingdom A&S looked to be a great success, and Birthday had lots of laughter, pictures, reminiscing, and great food. Looking ahead, there's the Schola and Defending the Gate. Which other events she and the baron will attend “probably depends on the weather.”

VI. Officer Reports (by e-mail)

A. Seneschal: THL Graham MacRobert – Atlantia has a new kingdom seneschal, Duchess Simone, who is well acquainted with Bright Hills, since she is part of the Wulfshaven household. There are likely new web policies coming, and a lot of policies shifting in the next few months. Some of those may be prompted by the death at a recent event elsewhere in the kindgom.

B. Exchequer: Lady Clara – We have money.

C. Chronicler: THL Sindara Lind Rachael Fessel of the Falconshield - I am working on learning the changes in kingdom policies for my office. I need the officers to get me their release forms. I also need release forms from everyone that provides me with articles, pictures, etc. The new forms are on the yahoo site. My warrant has been updated and is good for another 2 years. Katarzyna, my deputy has announced that she would like to step down in May. I need a deputy chronicler to take over for her.

D. Herald: Lady Beatrice Sherwood - This month was a busy one for our Barony's heralds, myself included. In addition to consulting with several gentles regarding names and armory, I had the honor of running a consult table at KASF. Unfortunately, I had to leave before Court due to a sick child, but my deputy Lady Deirdre ably filled in to handle Baronial Court. I also heralded both morning and evening Court at Baronial Birthday, where many gentles were recognized for their efforts.

I do have two bits of rather exciting news--the first is that the heraldic commentary group started by Lady Deirdre, Lady Wynne and myself has started to become an inter-baronial effort. Lady Patricia from Storvik participated at our last commentary meeting, and I have spoken about our efforts with Baron Fergus from Highland Foorde, as well. My hope is that we will continue to be able to provide the kingdom with much-needed input on new submissions, while allowing for both education and networking for our area's heralds.

The second piece of news is slightly more personal; Barunin Gisela, Triton Principal Herald for Atlantia, has asked me to serve as deputy to the current notifications herald, Lady Isabella. Lady Isabella is expected to take on the mantle of Golden Dolphin later this year, when Dame Hrothny steps down, and will be training me to take over as Opal, to handle notifications at the kingdom level. As Lady Isabella has been serving as Baronial herald for Marinus concurrently with her duties as Opal, this shouldn't mean my having to give up my duties as Northern March herald, but I will be playing it by ear over the next several months, in case I need to find a successor.

E. Webminster: Lord Janyn – Web site is up to date. I am waiting until a bit more quiet times to roll the site over to Wordpress to align us with Kingdom and Society guidelines. I have started to add the historical pictures of our Barony's past. These can be found under the "Past pictures" in the Gallery section of our web site.

F. MOAS: Lady Reyne Telerius - Lady Reyne Telerius's report is below.

We had many things happening this past month for A&S!

Chagan Bagshi reports that she taught a class on Mongol Garb at Lochmere's Mid-Winters Revel, A Journey Along the Silk Road, January 25th. There were 6 students and it was a lively class.

Mistress Martelle coordinated the Medford Hall display area for KASF, and reports that there were 47 Individual Displays signed in, 1 large active display, 2 archery tables of entries, and 3 InterBaronial tables of entries. There were no entries to Ladies of the Rose competition.

We offered 2 work tables for the fiber area.

She also provided me with a full spreadsheet of all the participants, and their displays. I will submit that spreadsheet to Lady Sindara, in case she wishes to publish it. It is much too extensive to put in this submission; however, it will be submitted at the Kingdom level.

Lorelei Greenleaf sponsored the Archery competition, which was won by Baron Colum of Stierbach.

The InterBaronial Competition was sponsored by James of Middle Aston, and that competition was won by Countess Rowan Berran McDowell.

At Baronial Birthday, there were 2 Champion competitions held, and an Open Display table.

The Brewing Competition was run by Mistress Brienna, who was the current champion. I do not have a list of entries from her, but the winner and new Baronial Champion is Baron Gustav.

The Baronial A&S Competition was run by Countess Rowan. She had 5 entrants.

Lady Amelia Rose submitted Wool Felted Figures

Lady Rebekkah Samuel entered a 16th Century Quilled box

Lady Katarzyna Witkowska entered a Poem

Lady Ailis inghean Bhriain submitted a Painted ceramic cup

Lady Dierdre O'Bardon submitted Sugar Sublties

Lady Ailis was judged to be the winner of the competition, and is the new Baronial A&S Champion.

The Open Display table had 7 people displaying their art.

Reyne Telarius displayed chainmaille medallions and bracelets, and fibulae

Randvar Akskmadr displayed Poetry

Magnus MacTaggart displayed chainmaille chains, favors and banners

Brianna Llewellyn Lindsey displayed a Tablet-woven strap

Aeddan Ivor from Abhainn Iarthair displayed chainmaille

Arnbjorg Karlsdottir from Abhainn Iarthair displayed Viking Wire weaving

Grazia Morgana from Storvik displayed an Apron Dress

Sindara Lind Rachael Fessel displayed Beaded Jewelry

For the upcoming Bright Hills Investiture, there will be an Open A&S display and a competition of "This is something new I've tried in the last year". The Baronial bardic Competition should also be held at this event, but I need to confirm with all parties to be certain.

- Finally, at Baronial 12thNight, Mistress Branwen, K-MoAS, gave me a copy of her notes from Unevent.

Guild Reports:

1. Armors: No report
2. Brewers: The taven is available to other groups on request and we taught a class at Lochmere Night on the Town. The next Lochmere event is a teaching event and I have been asked if I would be willing to teach there as well.
3. Clothiers: no report
 Cooks: – The meeting was called to order at Lady Deirdre's home. Our ranks were somewhat thinner, due to the absence of Lady Akiyo (in Hawaii), Lady Wynne (at the Con), Countess Rowan (ill), and Lord Bruce (conflict). We were graced with the presence of Chagan Bakhsi, the autocrat for the upcoming investiture.

The following topics were discussed:

1. KASF

After the receipts that were submitted have been paid, the profit from the lunch was \$520.94 (the gross was \$719.00). If anyone else has receipts, please contact Countess Rowan, or Baroness Bec.

2. Baronial Birthday

It was a lovely feast, and well - received. Everyone enjoyed the classic dishes. We did manage to clear the hall at a reasonable time. Not all receipts have been collected yet, so the finances have not been settled.

3. Bake Sale - Scribal Schola (3/15)

Please plan to contribute if you can. Who is in charge of organizing? Do we need to bring a coffee pot, or is there one on site we can use?

Please email what you plan to bring to the list.

4. Investiture (4/19)

Baron Gustav will be the head cook, with Poline as his second. The feast will be German, with 2 courses and a dessert board. There was a lot of discussion about menu items, and the following tentative menu emerged.

On the table: Bread, cheese, butter, and perhaps speck

Course the First: Sausages - at least 2 varieties (Bratwurst, Knockwurst, mushroom?), Sauerkraut - with caraway and without Red cabbage - sweet & sour Peas, Sodde eggs

Palate cleanser: German salads

Course the Second: Sauerbraten, Roast chicken, Spaetzle, Savory Toasted Cheese, Asparagus Omelet for vegetarians

For high table: Terrine of Meats for the first course (Mistress Cordelia?), Fyshe in Gelye for the palate cleanser (Mistress Cordelia will prepare), London Broil / rare beef for the second course
 Dessert: Dessert board

The kitchen will be set up as for TNT. The baronial 20x20 will be used, and the Guild's 2 tables will be needed.

Also requested from Master Chirhart and Mistress Jeanne - the steam table, hotel pans and stands, and the stove. Mistress Cordelia and Lady Deirdre can also bring tables for the kitchen.

Next meeting will be at Baron Gustav and Mistress Brienna's home On Sunday 3/23.

The April 13th at Lord Seamus's home.

4. Herb Group: – In preparation for the coming planting season, the herb and horticulture interest group will be meeting this Friday after the Baronial business meeting. All are welcome--just look for the folks poring over seed catalogues
5. Illumination: no report
6. PAGE (Performing Arts Guild Extraordinaire): no report
7. St. Matthias: no report
8. Science: no report
9. Scriptorium -At Bright Hills Birthday the Scriptorium had a display table. Two people signed up showing interest in the Scriptorium. They will be contacted very soon so we can start (hopefully) getting a regular get together off the ground.

The Baronial backlog is going to be handled in getting those with the latest awards done first. If there is any member of the populace that has gotten an award from Bright Hills and really truly desires their scroll please let me know, I will make a note of it. For those that do not mind waiting fear not they will get done! For those that do not wish a scroll please let me know so that I can make a note if it. You may email me at aemiliarosa@comcast.net.
10. TAG: no report
11. Woodworkers: no report
12. Canton of Green Lion's Bay A&S: no report >>>
- G. Minister of Lists: Lord Alexander Fowler - No marshal activity at Baronial birthday so no MoL report for that event. Still working missing fighter cards.

Addendum: No martial activity at Birthday. He discussed his frustration with the "broken system" of fighter cards, since he has struggled for more almost a year to get some fighters added to the published kingdom database.
- H. Chatelaine: Lady Ingeborg - I have nothing new to report
- I. Youth Minister: Lady Wynne ferch Rhodri - We had nine children attending the Children's activities at kingdom Arts and Sciences Festival. They were invited to paint "stained glass" sun-catchers. Throughout the afternoon, the Children's table also held coloring pages and games.

Baronial Birthday saw around seven children participant in activities and crafts that included sock puppet making and Popsicle-stick catapult construction. It seemed for a while that the Barony had a great number of "children" as many older participants showed their prowess at catapult building as well! Many thanks to Lady Rebecca von Zweckle and Lady Scholastica Joycours for their help with the catapults and sock puppets respectively.

I am still seeking a deputy, please contact me if interested.

Addendum: We had activities at Kingdom A&S, where we worked with some nine children. At birthday, "while 'older children' were making catapults, the rest of us were making sock puppets." She will be providing children's activities at Defending the Gate, including making Robin Hood hats.
- J. Knight's Marshall: Lord Kollack - I have nothing new to report for of the month of February. Hopefully things will pickup now that weather is clearing up.
- K. Chiurgeon: Master Richard – noted that the death occurred attend by the newly installed kingdom seneschal and new kingdom chiurgeon. The person had left the field and was headed to their car and just died suddenly. Only a quick phone call by a friend to the person's family prevented a post on Facebook being the way the family was notified of their loved one's passing.

V. Old Business

- A. Preliminary report on Birthday from autocrat, Lady Livia: the event appears to have made a small profit, in addition to entertaining the populace. Lord Alexander gratefully noted that those working at Troll did not have to sit in the cold outer room.

- B. Bernie, the exchequer, noted that 106 people attended Birthday.
- C. KASF: In the excused absence of Lady Katarzyna, the autocrat of Kingdom A&S, Bernie reported that 286 people attended that event. And the two hosting baronies, Bright Hills and Highland Foorde, had split the reasonable profit. "We made some money."

VI. New Business

- A. The officers approved renewal of the contract with Christ the King Church for use of the Hall for Fighter Practice.
- B. The Seneschal announced that the barony had a date – April 19, a site-- Steppingstone Museum, and an autocrat for baronial investiture and that the event was on the kingdom calendar. He then turned the discussion over to the autocrat, Mistress Chagan. She noted that the head cook, Baron Gustav, backed up by the Cooks Guild, was planning a German feast of two courses, featuring "way too much meat," followed by a dessert board. [The seneschal expressed his opinion that he didn't believe there could be "too much meat."] The children's activities would include an Easter egg hunt, and the barony's heavy and rapier fighters and archers would be expected to deal with the imminent threat of killer zombie snow bunnies.
- C. Scribal Schola: (in the absence of Lady Katarzyna), Lady Wanda proclaimed "We have teachers."
- D. Fortuna's Games (Trial by Fire/Lochmere Arrow/Roman fun event): Autocrat Lady Yseulte said she had received a bid from the officers of Shire of Spiaggia Levantina, to do a fund-raiser lunch, and indicated she wished to make sure there wasn't a group within Bright Hills proper that wanted the opportunity first. The seneschal requested that she post the notice on the email list before making the decision.

The next meeting will be held on March 21.

The meeting was adjourned at about 8 p.m.



UPCOMING EVENTS



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.

Early student registration will be available as soon as all teachers are recruited and assigned. Please check our website for further information. <http://brighthills.atlantia.sca.org/events/schola.html>

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.

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.

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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.



Night On The Town
March 21-24, 2013
Barony of Lochmere

The year is 1604 and there is a special spring fayre planned in the town of Smeewick. The harsh winter has abated early and the people have come out of hiding to celebrate before hitting the fields for more earnest work. The anxious young children are eager to play and even the adults have plans to knock off some winter rust and show their skill with the sword and bow. Join us in celebration of the town's good fortune and hopes for a prosperous year.

Martial Activities

Atlantia's premier rapier event is upon us! Lord Terasu has a splendid day planned for all rapier combatants who hear the call of spring. A day of melee battles is planned. We will have archery and thrown weapons available as well as youth fighters tournaments (heavy and rapier). Rapier combatants who wish to authorize will want to be ready by 9:00 AM. Please bring any concerns to Lord Terasu at sanadaterasu@yahoo.com

Arts and Sciences

The locals have decided to help pass on their craft to a new generation by letting budding artisans try out new crafts (Artisans Row) without having to invest all their pence. There will also be an open display and a competition following the theme of spring. Please contact Lady Erennach at Larissa.Lefler@yahoo.com with any questions.

Feast

Our Head Cook Lord Cadfael will be providing a wonderful feast. There will also be a \$5 fundraising luncheon available with proceeds to help the local fighter practice. Please send any food concerns to the Lord Cadfael at maddoxcm42@comcast.net.

Cost:

Adult, Member:	\$14.00 Day-Trip	\$9.00 Feast	\$5.00 Camping
Adult, Non-Member:	\$19.00 Day-Trip	\$9.00 Feast	\$5.00 Camping
Youth (5-17):	\$7.00 Day-Trip	\$9.00 Feast	\$3.00 Camping
Child (0-4):	\$0.00 Day-Trip	\$0.00 Feast	\$0.00 Camping

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

Cost Notes: A \$1 dollar discount, per person, will be given to all reservations postmarked one week before the event. There is a family cap of \$42 dollars for adults with children for the day trip fee only. A \$5 fund-raiser luncheon will be provided on site separate from the above costs.

Site

Elks Camp Barrett,
1001 Chesterfield Road,
Annapolis MD 21401

The site will open at 6:00 pm Friday and close at 10:00 am Sunday. The site is wet. The buildings are smoke free. Only working service animals are allowed on site. On-site showers available. Be sure to bring personal linens as they will not be supplied.

Merchanting Information

Merchants are always welcome to attend. Please contact Sir Aelfred of Cres at ttoich@verizon.net to reserve space.

Along with merchants, we will be conducting our annual Lochmere tent sale. This is a great opportunity to buy and sell gently used goods. Please contact the Autocrat if you have any questions.

Reservations

Mistress Medb ingen Brain (Lynda Assur)
1225 Johnson Dr
Shady Side, MD 20764
medbingenbrain@comcast.net

Please be sure to include modern name, society name as well as member number if applicable for all reservations.

Autocrat

Lord Segehart Leutmericz
sglover75@gmail.com

Directions

From the West: Take the best route to MD-32 to I-97 South. From I-97 take Exit 5, MD-178/Crownsville. At the light, continue straight on MD-178 South for approx 1.8 miles. At the light turn right onto Crownsville Road. Continue approx. 1 mile and turn right onto Hawkins Road (there is a sign for Elks Camp Barrett). Continue for approx. 1.8 miles. At bottom of hill, go thru the stop sign to enter the camp.

From the North: Take the best route to I-97 South to Exit 5 and follow directions above for those coming west.

From the South: From the Beltway (I-495), take exit 19A US-50 East to exit 23 MD-450/Parole. Take MD-450 West and turn left at the light in front of Annapolis Mall (still MD-450). Continue approx 2 miles. Turn right at the light onto Crownsville Road. After 0.5 miles there will be a blue sign for Elks Camp Barrett. Take a left onto Chesterfield Road and go approx 1.4 miles. The camp will be on your left.



Coronation of King William & Queen Kara April 04- 06, 2014 Kingdom of Atlantia

A magnificent fleet of longships has been spotted off the coast of Atlantia! Come all warriors of Atlantia and face the invading Viking Hordes!! Whether you are Saxon, Norman, Goth, Islamic or Mongol, it is time to rally to the flags of Atlantia to welcome the new King William Thomas, a fine Viking leader and his radiant Queen Kara, the beauty of Valhalla.

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

Martial Activities:

Lots!! Atlantian Speed Tourney, last two fighters pick teams with the winner choosing first for melee. Melee will consist of Best 2 out 3 Open Field Battles, Best 2 out 3 10 Minute Bride Battles. We will finish up with a Capture the Flag battle.

Arts & Sciences Activities:

1) Their Highnesses have requested that we honor our friends to the far north (like we haven't had enough snow already) and that you bring out your best "Viking" works of art. Documentation requested (because I like to learn new things) but not required. There will be a prize!

2) There will be open display, from any time or place. Show us your cool stuff, whether finished or in progress.

- 3) There will be a populace vote. Come vote for your favorite work of art. There will be a prize!
- 4) Tempore Atlantia: The time frame is 1500 C.E. to 1600 C.E. Here's something for all you late period folks!! For more information-<http://moas.atlantia.sca.org/tempore.htm/>
- 5) PURPLE, PURPLE, PURPLE - the Vikings touched all cultures and brought home to their mead halls all sorts of treasures. Purple has long been the color of royalty. What purple treasures did your Viking bring home??

Scrivener Royal...Poeta Atlantia...the Atlantina Artisan's Largesse exchange...so much to do!
A&S questions should be directed to Mistress Jessamyn at gmorrismusic@gmail.com

Cost:

Adult, Member:	\$15.00	Day-Trip	\$12.00	Feast	\$13.00	Camping
Adult, Non-Member:	\$20.00	Day-Trip	\$0.00	Feast	\$0.00	Camping
Youth (9-17):	\$5.00	Day-Trip	\$12.00	Feast	\$13.00	Camping
Child (0-8):	\$0.00	Day-Trip	\$0.00	Feast	\$0.00	Camping

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

Cost Notes: There is no camping, the \$13 is for a cabin bed.

Site:

Makemie Woods Camp and Conference Center. 3700 Roper's Church Road, Lanexa, VA 23089. Site opens 4pm Friday, closes 11am Sunday.

Site Restrictions:

No pets. Alcohol is permitted for those over 21. ALL ORIGINAL CONTAINER MUST BE PACKED OUT. Trash bags will be provided at Gate.

Feast Information:

Meat meat and more meat! Viking deliciousness prepared by Mistress Graçia Esperança de Sevilla. Food allergy concerns and questions involving ingredients should be directed to her at hutchings1111@gmail.com

Merchanting Information:

Merchants are asked to preregister for the event and reserve merchant space by contacting Herrin Emeludt Hänsler at eme.hansler@gmail.com

Other Information:

There will be a prize for the branch or household with the most volunteer hours. More information forthcoming from our Volunteer Coordinator, Lady Yenyega de Santurci at vivianvaz@lairhaven.com

Autocrat's Information:

Alesia Gilleflyn (Bonnie Harvey), 10428 Aberdale Way, Charlotte, NC 28273, Phone: (704) 293-4443, E-mail: alesiaglfyn@gmail.com

Reservations:

Allegranza Marcovaldi (Cathy Edwards), 185 Coleman Ridge Road, Galax, VA 24333, Phone: (919) 830-6201, E-mail: sewunique@gmail.com

Directions:

Makemie Woods is ideally located in Lanexa, VA, just off Interstate 64 between Williamsburg and Richmond, VA. Many guests take advantage of the local attractions as we are less than 30 minutes from Colonial Williamsburg, Busch Gardens, the Williamsburg Pottery and hundreds of other shopping outlets. Just a little over an hour from Virginia Beach!

From the West (Richmond, etc):

Take exit 220 off I-64 and follow Rt 33 to the first traffic signal. Turn right at the signal onto Rt 30, and go 3.8 miles, just passing a mini-storage on the right, and the Barhamsville Post Office on the left. You will see the white Makemie Woods sign on your right. Turn right at the sign (Rt 632) and follow the paved road. In less than a mile you will see a small sign on your right, directing you left onto Rt 621, Ropers Church Rd.. Turn left and go over two bridges covering the interstate. You will see the entrance to Makemie Woods on your right.

From the East (Tidewater VA area):

Take exit 227 off I-64 and go North on Rt 30 approximately 2 miles. You will see the Makemie Woods sign on your left (Rt 632). (If you pass the Post Office, you have gone too far.) Follow the paved road. In less than a mile you will see a small sign on your right, directing you left onto Rt 621, Ropers Church Rd. Turn left and go over two bridges covering the interstate. You will see the entrance to Makemie Woods on your right.

From the North (Washington, DC):

Take 95 South to 295 towards Williamsburg, Norfolk, Virginia Beach, etc. Take 295 to 64 East, and follow the above directions from the Richmond area.

From the South (North Carolina):

Take 95 North to 295 towards Williamsburg, Norfolk, Virginia Beach, etc. Take 295 to 64 East, and follow the above directions from the Richmond area.

From West Point and the Middle Peninsula:

Follow 33/30 across the bridges to the second traffic signal. Turn left on to Rt 30 and follow the directions "From the West" above.

****Please make sure to bring these directions with you. Your GPS may or may not route the most efficient way.



Bright Hills Investiture, April 19, 2014 **"New Beginnings"**

Join us for a day of fun and revelry as we thank our retiring Baron and Baroness, Chirhart Blackstar and Jeanne Tenneur de Bec, for their service and leadership and Welcome our 7th Coronets as our newest Baron and Baroness.

For the Children there will be an Easter Egg hunt. So that they may gather as many eggs as possible, there will be a session to make their own egg 'bag-sket'. They are also welcome to bring their own basket from home.

A & S offers an open display, as well as a competition for the best "New Beginning" of an art or craft you have tried in the last year. Documentation is encouraged.

As Spring looms on the horizon, we have seen the arrival of the dreaded 'Zombie Snow Bunnies' masquerading as Easter bunnies and thus, we call upon our fierce fighters, fencers and wickedly accurate archers to come forth and dispatch these hordes of ravaging creatures, lest they destroy all the crops and gardens and there will be naught to cook for the populace.

For those light of foot there will, by Royal decree, be much dancing after feast.

A lunch fundraiser will be offered by the Shire of Spiaggia Levantina .

A hearty feast for 75 will be prepared by The Bright Hills Cooks Guild under the leadership of Head Cook Baron Gustav Emile der Dunkle Rotvogel. Kindly contact Baron Gustav if you have any dietary concerns such as allergies or diet regimen. Tbird178@gmail.com Please note – this is a very meat heavy feast, as requested by His Majesty.

Tentative menu's will be posted soon.

SOMETHING NEW! We are making provisions for our vegetarian guests, but ask that when you send in your reservation you note that you are a Vegan /vegetarian. A special token will be provided at the time you check in and should be shown when you attend the feast.

The site is Steppingstone Museum, 461 Quaker Bottom Rd., Havre de Grace, MD 21078

Directions: Take your best route to I-95 North of Baltimore / South of MD/DE state line. From I-95 take Exit 89 to MD rte 155 towards Bel Air. Travel ¼ mile and turn Right onto Earlton Rd. (Earlton Rd merges with Webster Lapidum Rd for a bit. You are not lost – keep going) Go ½ mile and turn Left onto Quaker Bottom Rd. Follow this for 1 mile to the Museum entrance. The Museum is located within the Susquehanna State Park.

Map; <http://www.mapquest.com/#e719f8765a2dd333f44eb66c>

The event opens at 10:00 AM and closes at 10:00 PM. For the convenience of our long distance guests and merchants the site will be open on Friday, 4/18 from 5 PM to 9 PM for set up and campers. Merchants may set up early. Our Merchant Coordinator is Lady Livia de Samuelle (Sherrill Abramson). She can be reached at abramsonsm@yahoo.com

Event fees;

Site Fee – Adult - \$8.00 Member / \$13.00 Non-member / \$5.00 Youth 6-17

Feast Fee - \$10.00 for 6 to Adult. Please specify if you are vegetarian.

Children under 6 are guests of the Barony

Checks should be made out to “SCA, Inc./Barony of Bright Hills”. Reservations should be sent to the Autocrat.

Autocrat is Chagan Khulan (Karen Summerfelt-Hume), 3607 Young road, Millers, MD 21102. Contact at chagankhulan@comcast.net or 443-789-9050 (No calls after 9 PM)



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Greetings to the Populace of 13th and best barony: Bright Hills

My deputy, THL Katarzyna Witkowska has informed me that she wishes to step down from her post in May. At that point I will need a deputy to assist me. My deputy would attend the monthly board meetings at fight practice, take the minutes when I am not present, assist with the newsletter editing and proofing and take over for me should I not be able to perform my duties during a particular month. There are no required qualifications and I am willing to train. If you are interested, contact me at Sindara@pobox.com.

Thank you
Sindara

News from the Royal Rabbit Vineyards:

If there is interest, we will be pruning at Royal Rabbit Vineyards in the next couple weeks. If you think there are gentles in Bright Hills that might be interested in the following feel free to forward this.

I will have grape vines and apple prunings if people are interested in them for personal or A&S projects.

We burn the pruned wood a week or 2 after pruning (there is not enough room to store it year after year) but I am more than happy to see it put to a better use.

We cane prune - this means that we lay down a new fruiting arm every year. Some of the pruned grape wood is close to an inch thick(in addition to the canes that are appropriate for wreaths) I am also pulling some vines to replace them with different varieties so there will be wood that is even thicker

- both apple and grape are good for smoking meats and smoking grains for beers

- I have had people request both kinds of wood for handles on ceramics and I would love to see what other creative uses people come up with

- On the apple wood, there may be some that is appropriate for canes or staffs

I will email pruning date to the people that express interest (once it is set)

For those that do not know, my vineyard is off exit 36 in Maryland. website is <http://www.royalrabbitvineyards.com>

Bonniface



The Artisans' Cabinet

Documentation
for the Poem
Boxes of Silver and Black
by Lady Katarzyna Witkowska

At first I was disappointed when I saw the requirements for the Baronial A&S Champion. A box! A container! This was surely not my area of expertise. Then I realized that my poems held far more than any box or purse or bag could hold if we are looking at the containment of dreams. Some do not regard Poetry as an A&S form but rather a bardic activity. However, poetry can be written to convey information, for enjoyment and for a myriad of other purposes. It was used widely in medieval times to do just that. Poems must be carefully worded to convey the meaning of the writer or sender (Kings and Queens used it extensively). So I began to craft my poem.

Like any garment, illumination, woodcraft, etc., there are many steps in writing a poem. First you must decide your genre – sonnet, ballad, villanelle, couplet, Sestina or any one of a myriad of other styles. You must carefully lay out your words to fit the pattern imposed by that style. It is a complicated and painstaking task. You must check and recheck and carefully weave your cloth. I chose for my pattern in this poem a Sestina.

The Sestina is attributed to Arnaut Daniel, a 12th century Provence troubadour. In Daniel's form, each line contains ten syllables, except for the first line of each stanza which is seven syllables. *Lo ferm voler qu'el cor m'intra*, written around the year 1200 by Daniel is the oldest known form of a Sestina. He called the form "cledisat", which means (more or less) "interlock". Two other troubadouric Sestinas are known, *Eras, pus vey mon benastruc* by Guilhem Peire Cazals de Caortz and *Ben gran avoleza intra* by Bertran de Bron. All three of these Sestinas were written in Old Occitan, a romance language used across southern France, including Aquitaine where Daniel lived. The form did not appear in English until 1579. Below is one of the stanzas of Daniel's Sestina, which was the inspiration for my poem. (It should be noted that there is original music for this sextain.)

Excerpts from *Lo ferm vole qu'el cor m'intra*
By Arnaut Daniel
(tr. from www.trobar.org)

*Lo ferm voler qu'el cor m'intra
no'm pot ges becs escoissendre ni ongla
de lauzengier qui pert per mal dir s'arma;
e pus no l'aus batr'ab ram ni verja,
sivals a frau, lai on non aurai oncle,
jauzirai joi, en vergier o dins cambra.*

The firm will that my heart enters
 can't be scraped by beak nor by nail
 of slanderer who damns with ill speaking his soul;
 since I don't dare beat them with bough or rod,
 at least, secretly, where I won't have any uncle,
 I'll enjoy pleasure, in the garden or in the room.

In the 13th century Dante began using this form in Italian. In the 15th century it was used by Luis de Camões. Dante, Petrarch and others established the Sestina form in Italy and thus it is frequently classified as an Italian verse form, even though it originated in France. Petrarch and Dante wrote the form in hendecasyllables (11 syllables). The result was that the Sestina was re-imported into France from Italy in the 16th century.

Now, let's look at the mechanics of a Sestina. A Sestina as written by Daniel has 39 lines. The first six stanzas have six lines each (sixains). The last stanza is 3 lines (a tercet). The first line of each sixain has 7 syllables, the other lines are ten syllables. The tercet has ten syllables in each line. There is no "rhyme" scheme to a Sestina. Instead a specific word pattern is used. Selecting the six words to be used in your poem is quite a task. They must convey your meaning and they must accommodate themselves to the various line meanings. Below is a chart showing the word pattern for this poem. You will note how mathematical the pattern is and how each stanza is indeed "interlocked".

Words Used in First Stanza		Stanza 1 Word Designation				Stanza 2	
Stanza 3	Stanza 4	Stanza 5	Stanza 6	Stanza 1	Stanza 2	Stanza 3	Stanza 4
Silver 1		6	3	5	4	2	
Life 2	1	6	3	5	4		
Black 3		5	4	2	1	6	
Longings 4		2	1	6	3	5	
Love 5		4	2	1	6	3	
Dreams 6		3	5	4	2	1	

The organization of the Sestina can be mapped out as illustrated in the following algorithm:

Graphical Representation for Organizing the End Words in a Sestina

The seventh stanza is a tercet known by the French term "envoi" or the Occitan term "tornada" or as a "half-stanza" (because it is half the size of the previous stanzas). This seventh stanza reuses all six of the words in a specific pattern. The final tercet pattern is 2-5, 4-3, 6-1, with the 5, 3 and 1 words being used at the end of the line. The 2, 4 and 6 can be used anywhere in the line. This final envoi summarized the poem or, alternatively, dedicated it to someone. I summarized the poem in my final tercet.

There are different approaches to a Sestina to achieve the required end words. You can write your first stanza and then pattern the other stanzas after those end words. Alternatively, you can select your end words and put the pattern down on paper and insert the sentences. I usually do the second method. Frequently, one of your words does not fit in with your poem as the process goes on. In that case, you simply substitute the new word for the previously chosen one. You must, however, follow the specified pattern in order for your poem to be considered a Sestina. There are other versions of the Sestina pattern developed throughout the centuries. However, this is the one I use most often.

My poem turned out as I hoped. I believe it shows how poetry can store our dreams, both unrequited and fruitful. This form was challenging but I believe I gave it justice.

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Boxes of Silver and Black *by Lady Katarzyna Witkowska*

**This is my box of silver
Wherein is held all the dreams of my life.
And this is a box of profoundest black,
Which holds my deepest sorrows and longings.
These two boxes keep all my greatest love,
Holding both fulfilled and unfulfilled dreams.**

**What shall we see in those met dreams,
Prized so carefully in shining silver.
Within the box are memories of love,
All my silly childhood dreams brought to life –
A husband, children – realized longings.
Wonderful treasures are not saved in black.**

What dreams then would be stowed in black,
The despondent warder of destroyed dreams?
It holds cruel words, unrealized longings –
Such monstrosities would sully silver.
Focus not on disappointments of life.
Rather center on feats of joy and love

Let us now look forward with love.
Turn our eyes away from that box so black.
Dwell only in the enchantments of life
Through each day seek to accomplish our dreams.
Let them shimmer in verses of silver.
Turn to the future with renewed longings

Work now to quench your longings.
Spend your days in acts of kindness and love.
Poetry shall be my box of silver.
And poetry shall be my box of black.
This cup shall be the holder of my dreams.
My words convey the visions of my life.

How will you journey through this life?
Will you pass through with unsated longings?
I will seek the fulfillment of my dreams.
Each day will be spent in unending love.
Deep shadows conceal the bleak box of black.
Sun shines brightly on the box of silver.

Let this poem hold dreams of life and love –
Lost longings secreted in box of black –
My dreams sung sweetly in words of silver.



From the Bright Hills Kitchen:

Onion and Carrot Salad

Castelvetro mentions fried onions and boiled carrots as salad options for the winter, a time when fresh produce is rare even in Italy. The combination is quite pleasing, and he points out that pepper is absolutely needed.

Ingredients:

750g carrots
3 large mild onions
olive oil
white vinegar
salt
pepper

Directions:

Peel and clean the carrots and cur them into rounds. Cook in salt water until al dente, drain and allow to cool. Peel and slice the onions into rings. Sautee them in olive oil until just tender. Be careful not to make them too fat or overcook them. Salt and pepper to taste and allow to cool. Arrange the onions in a heap in the center of a serving plate, the carrots wheels around them. Splash generously with oil and vinegar, salt and pepper the carrots, and serve cold.



February Event Pictures



A special visitor at KASF



Viewing the A&S Displays



Iron Comedia perform at KASF



Iron Comedia perform at KASF



Heather receives the Tessa



Scholastica is made a Lady



Alexabdra receives an award



Godai is given an Opal



Ingeborge is given the Shell and Crescent



Poline receives a Tessa



Bruce receives the Shell & Crescent



Dagfinnr receives the Order of Excellence



Ailis becomes A&S Champion



Katarzyna receives a Token



Faolán wins the Bardic Bearpit



Gustav becomes Brewing Champion



Luke is given the Order of the Job



Brigid is given the Shell & Crescent



Donovan receives the Award of Excellence



Ingeborg receives the Spirit Cup



Wynne is given the Northern Light

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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 Lock Raven Blvd. south, past Taylor Ave. intersection, go through two lights after Taylor, look for quick right onto Register Avenue just over peak of a hill. (If you miss Register 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.



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



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