

The Yeoman



**Newsletter of the Barony of Bright Hills
Kingdom of Atlantia
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From the Baron and Baroness

Greetings to you all and our best wishes to you for the Holiday Season! We hope that you all can spend time with friends and family and have the opportunity to enjoy the season.

The past few months have been very busy, with events and activities nearly every weekend. Those of you who braved the weather enjoyed TNT despite Mother Nature's best efforts. We all enjoyed the day, while watching the snow outside. Some of the martial activities were suspended, but the other activities all took place and it was an enjoyable event for everyone.

In November, We attended Crown Tourney, which was well fought and saw Count Brian win the day, to become the new Prince. Vivant to Their Royal Highnesses Bryan and Brianna! We went to Dun Carraig, to welcome Duke Ragnar and Lady Lynette as the new Baron and Baroness, and to cheer on our archers, who successfully returned the Lochmere Arrow to Bright Hills! We attended the Lion's Head Tavern event in our canton of Greenlion Bay (which is now an official branch of the SCA) and greatly enjoyed their hospitality and their enthusiasm. Baroness Jeanne attended Holiday Faire with Lady Katarzyna, and they came home with a check from the Barony of Steirbach for part of the profits from the meal plan at Atlantia's 30 Year celebration. We appreciate their recognition of the Barony's efforts; it was a lovely surprise!

December begins with Unevent and the Day of Dance. We hope that many of you take the opportunity to attend Unevent, and to learn more about the various offices in the Society which keep this organization functioning and allow us all to do the fun things we love. The Day of Dance is an opportunity to dance, to watch or participate in bardic activities and socialize with friends. We look forward to seeing you there, as well!

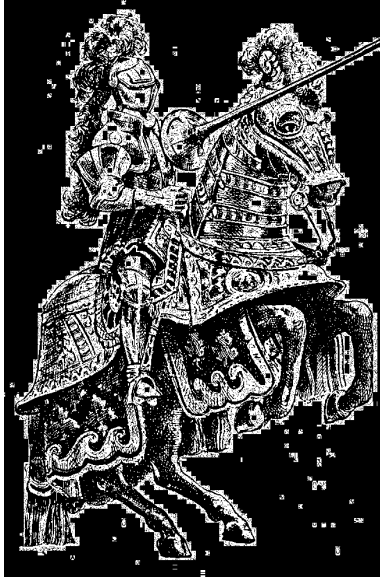
We are proud and happy to see so many of you active and involved in so many different activities. This barony has so many talented and knowledgeable individuals who demonstrate their skills and share their expertise to the benefit of Bright Hills, Atlantia and the SCA overall. We have even become trendsetters - another northern barony has now copied our Foolish habit, and been accompanied into Court by a Fool.

The New Year will soon be upon us, and with it, the Winter Ball in Greenlion Bay and the Baronial 12th Night Celebration.

Again, we wish you all a wonderful holiday season and a prosperous and successful New Year.

Chirhart & Jeanne
Baron & Baroness of Bright Hills

From the Seneschal



Greetings,

The Barony is looking for a few good SCAdians!!

- We are looking to fill the *Chronicler's* position for the Barony. We already have a wonderful deputy to assist you. If you look at the notes from the Chronicler's meeting at Unevent, it will give you an idea of the exciting things that are taking place in the new year. If you are interested, please contact me and we can talk more about it. Please see Section 6.11 of the Book of Policy under the Kingdom Website (under Seneschal/Clerk of Law) for a full description of the required duties for the Baronial Chronicler.
- The Barony is looking for a *Deputy Seneschal*. Each Baronial Seneschal is required to have a deputy who can take over in an emergency. It is also hoped that this person would be the successor to the current seneschal when their term of office has expired. Again, please contact me if you are interested (email: k_hawk_us@yahoo.com; phone 443.813.1436).

In addition, there are opportunities available to bid on Kingdom events. Bids coming up in 2012 are the following:

- Spring Coronation 2013 – Bid due date is May 1, 2012.
- Fall Crown 2013 – Bid due date is May 1, 2012.
- Kingdom Arts and Sciences 2014 – Bid due date is July 1, 2012.

Our University offering was greatly praised at Unevent. Let's continue to show the Kingdom "Only the Best" comes from Bright Hills! If you are interested in preparing a bid for any of these Kingdom events, I would be happy to guide you through the process.

I want to extend to each of you warmest wishes for the holiday season! I hope the new year is happy and prosperous!
Warmest regards,

Lady Katarzyna Witkowska
Seneschal, Barony of Bright Hills

Unevent Meeting Notes

Chatelaine

The Chatelaine's tract was composed of 2 meetings and a discussion period.

9:30 Chatelaine 101

- Download the Chatelaine's handbook from the Atlantian Seneschals link, Clerk of Law list.
- Know the history of your group.
- Use the Society's resources for demo handouts, don't need to reinvent the wheel. Tailor the demo to your audience's interests. Be as historically correct as possible.
- To be official, a demo needs WRITTEN permission from the group seneschal -- e.g. "The scoutmaster asked me to talk about the middle ages to his troop" ans. "Great, go for it. Let me know how it goes." -- Does not have to be at a business meeting or voted on by other officers.
- Familiarize self with the SCA and Atlantian media policies. Have blanks in case of photographers or newspaper interviews.
- Reports due by Feb 10, May 10, Aug 10, and Nov 10 of each year.
- Gold Key, (K.I.S.S)" Keep It Simple Sweetie" most groups find a selection of tabards or tunics work well. Too much makes it awkward to carry around.
- Deputies should be warranted. This gets them into the system and will make changing officers easier.

10:30 Chatelaine 201 - Recruitment and Retention

- Make sure all info on group website is accurate.
- Using facebook and other social media sites give instant feedback.
- Some groups have had success using multipurpose business cards.
- Reply to all inquiries within 48 hrs., whether it's a brand new interest or relocated member.
- Focus on interests. Can make data bases and use spreadsheets to connect with other individuals with similar interests.
- Some groups had limited success using facebook ads. Be careful about photos and media release waiver.
- Some chatelaines are using on line storage for files and data. Everyone knows someone who has lost everything stored on their computer.
- Can group set up a "shell" email account? Inquiries can go to the Chatelaine and Seneschal. Account can stay the same for each person serving as group chatelaine. Lessens chance of a personal account being contaminated.
- Maintain general info of activities and resources of group and neighboring group. (Newcomer wants a Ruritanian persona, shire is mostly Celtic. Mistress Whosits, from the neighboring shire is a source for eastern european personas)
- Be familiar with the current Who's Who of Atlantia. Be able to inform a newcomer who is presiding at court, what is the award and why is it given.
- Find out what interests brought a newcomer to the SCA and what do they know about the SCA, so far.
- Use modern terms, when talking to newcomers.

- Encourage newcomers to investigate the Society for a year, before joining a household. "Think of it like getting married..."
- Move the newcomer meetings around the area. Some interested folks may not have transportation or may not want to drive far at first. Encourage group members to sponsor meetings. The chatelaine does not have to do it all.

Chronicler

Changes are coming to the chronicler's office. New chronicler policies will be released in January 2012. As part of this there will be a standardized format for all kingdom newsletters. Additionally, a conversion to primarily electronic newsletters is planned during 2012. Beginning in January 2012, SCA members will have the option of choosing to solely receive an electronic newsletter although the electronic newsletter will not actually be available until March 2012. All sustaining and international members will have access to all of the electronic kingdom newsletters (not just Atlantia's) by using a passcode provided by SCA, Inc. As memberships are renewed, the member may choose whether to pay an additional fee to also receive paper newsletters. The experience in Lochac indicates that when the newsletter is available electronically, the number of paper subscriptions per Kingdom newsletter drops below bulk mailing rates. So, all of the different Kingdom newsletters will be sent in one bulk mailing, unless an individual has paid for first class mail (which will continue to be available.) The FAQs regarding these changes can be found at <http://sca.org/BOD/announcements/e-newslettersFAQ.html> and <http://sca.org/BOD/announcements/E-NewsFAQs.pdf>.

Local chroniclers will continue to publish the local newsletters electronically and in hard copy and send complimentary copies to Their Majesties, the kingdom seneschal, and the kingdom chronicler. Additionally, chroniclers will be required to send newsletters to webminister@atlantia.sca.org. All of the Atlantian newsletters will then be posted to an online site accessible with a passcode. All paid SCA members in Atlantia will be able to access any Atlantian newsletter.

SCA, Inc. has created 3 release forms that must be used by chroniclers. They are for: (1) creative work; (2) photographic releases; and (3) model releases. The FAQs on these forms is at <http://sca.org/docs/pdf/PubFAQ.pdf>. Both local and kingdom chroniclers need to use these forms. These forms are the only forms that may be used. They may not be modified in any way. Nothing may be written in or stricken out and a new form is required for each person. The forms must be signed to be valid. Either a handwritten signature or an Adobe e-mail signature is acceptable. The specifics on when each form must be used will be found in the new Chronicler's Policies which is being released January 1, 2012. The signed forms must be kept on file.

The creative release forms are at <http://sca.org/docs/pdf/ReleaseCreative.pdf> and <http://sca.org/docs/pdf/ReleaseCreativeFillable.pdf>. The creative work release form is required for articles, poems and other creative works that are not in the public domain. It is not required for event notices, letters from officers or captions. The creative work form cannot be used to obtain permission to publish personal information. Documentary evidence must also be maintained if a creative work that is in the public domain is published.

The model release forms are at <http://sca.org/docs/pdf/ReleaseModel.pdf> and <http://sca.org/docs/pdf/ReleaseModelFillable.pdf>. The photographer release forms are at <http://sca.org/docs/pdf/ReleasePhotographer.pdf> and <http://sca.org/docs/pdf/ReleasePhotographerFillable.pdf>. Model release and photographer release forms are required to publish photographs. Before any photo is published the chronicler must have a signed release form from the photographer or documentation that the photo is in the public domain. If the photo is a "portrait", a signed model release form is required for each person in the portrait. Crowd shots in public areas, such as the list field area, do not require a signed model release. However, if the shot is a posed shot of one or more individuals or is taken in a private area such as an individual's camp, model releases are required for each individual. When in doubt use the model release. All model releases are revocable at any time.

Children are a special case. You must have a signed release from the child's parent or guardian to use any photo of a child that can be identified by face. It is best not to use a photo of a child. Photos of someone who has died are another special situation. Permission must be sought from the estate to use the photo of someone who has died. You do not have to take down a photo of a deceased individual who had given permission for the photo to be published, unless the estate requests that you do so.

Expect to see a fourth form for Release of Digital Rights.

A Supplement will be published in the near future (possibly in March.) The Kingdom Chronicler is looking for contributions of articles, poems and artwork.

Herald

Bran Trefonnen, the current Triton Herald presided over the first portion of the meeting. Roll was taken and warrants were revoked for heralds who had not met their reporting requirements. All recent requests from Bright Hills for warrants as heralds have been granted and all Bright Hills heralds are in good standing. Lady Wynne ferch Rhodri was promoted from Pursuivant to Herald.

There was a discussion of updates to the Order of Precedence. The biggest project facing the Atlantian College of Heraldry is the revision to, and updates of, all current entries in the Order of Precedence. Kingdom Law has been amended. As amended, Kingdom Law provides that all awards of arms are equal. Precedence is established strictly by the date granted. This means that, for precedence purposes, an AOA carries as much precedence as belonging to any of the following Orders: Opal, Coral Branch, Silver Osprey, Sea Dragon or Quintain. Similarly, all Grants of Arms now carry the same level of precedence.

Members of the populace may want to read the latest revisions to Atlantian Law. The Atlantian Great Book of Law may be found at <http://law.atlantia.sca.org/Law.pdf> and the Atlantian Book of Policy may be found at <http://law.atlantia.sca.org/Policy.pdf>.

In other business, The Field Guide to Atlantian Heraldry is being revised and should be available by Kingdom Twelfth Night.

Minister of Arts & Sciences

Presenting: Kingdom MoAS, ViscountessJeanmariellaria Beatrice du Domremy,
MkaJeanmarieRemes

The meeting began precisely at 2PM with Ms. Remes having introductions go around the room so that all could put names with faces. It was noted that there are a currently number of folks new to the MoAS position within the kingdom.

First topic of discussion was the importance of the MoAS position. The role of the MoAS was defined as fostering A&S within the local area. Mentioned was the possibility a MoAS 101 class in the not too distant future due to the number of new local MoAS officers. It was noted that while other officer positions may keep things running smoothly and accountable, it is the MoAS position that is the single most essential to the organization. The MoAS officers being in charge of the arts & programs, and the reports that are done documenting such programs, are the only position that keeps the non profit status for the SCA. Without the A&S programs and reports the organization would quickly lose its non profit status. This discussion quickly then segued to the second topic, submitting reports.

Upfront it was noted that there are thirty-eight A&S officers within the Kingdom. As of the close of the last quarterly reporting period, only eighteen of those officers submitted the required A&S reports. Open discussion was held on ways that would make the reporting requirement easier. It was noted that in the very near future as Atlantia and the SCA in general transition to a much more interactive online format, that an online fill-in form would be available to submit reports. Discussions noted that it would be helpful that once the form was filled in, a copy could be printed by the local officer.

Reporting content was the third topic. Ms. Remes noted that she prefers reports that have bulleted reporting numbers / highlights at the top, with narrative information appearing below. Reporting on local A&S programs, not individual A&S events or competitions is required a minimum of quarterly. Quarterly reports should contain information from the previous three months. The report should not be inclusive of the current, (reporting), month. Information on individual A&S events / competitions does need to be included on the quarterly report as one of the bulleted points. This is in addition to the individual event report. It was noted that yes, the overlap is intentional. Event reports are required for all individual A&S events / competitions within two weeks of the event. The report should contain a list of entrants, (not just the number of entrants), the name of the winner and a description of the winning entry, and judges roster, ((not just the number of judges). It was noted that judges do need to sign the competition forms as well as the judges roster and that the new judges roster will no longer require a home address as a means of contact, but that an email address and telephone number are essential. The discussion noted that some judges are reluctant to provide a means of contact because they will be placed on mailing / spam lists and it was assured that the contact information is not used in this fashion.

The final topic discussed was judging and judging forms. It was felt that this topic was essential after a recent discussion on the Merry Rose. In the Merry Rose discussion, displeasure was expressed by an entrant who felt she had been penalized for not having documentation in a competition where it had been clearly stated that documentation was not required. Apparently

the judges for the competition had used the standard pentathlon judging form and had marked zero in the area for documentation. Another entrant had presented documentation and was scored accordingly for such. It was concluded that if you are holding a competition where it is stated that documentation is not required, that you need to mark out that section on the current judging forms. Then if someone does submit documentation with an entry, they may receive credit for it via extra / additional points, but not as a requirement. By marking out the documentation requirement any future confusion may be avoided. Also in the future, there may be a separate judging form for competitions that do not require documentation.

The topic of judging forms quickly turned to the topic of judging in general. Around the room it was noted in a number of baronies that harsh judging had served to subdue rather than foster A&S programs and discourage competition entrants. It was generally felt that the quality of the comments made in judging needs to be encouraging and serve to further foster A&S at a competition level. MoAS officers need to meet with those judging a competition and convey their standards and directions to the judges at an event. Judges should know that they can be held accountable and need to not use language that could be misconstrued as "snarky" Also discussed was the availability of judges for A&S competitions and it was stated that both the kingdom office and the MoAS list could be used as a resource to recommend quality judges.

Quickly noted at the meeting conclusion were several things:

The best way to contact Ms. Remes is via email. She also encourages others to make the list as a way of contacting each other & encouraged more interaction between local groups.

In the future, meetings such as this one at Unevent, may not be needed. Apparently the kingdom is looking into a teleconferencing system that would use the web. That way folks could meet face to face via web camera with no one ever leaving their home. In discussion several stated that may not work quite as well and they enjoyed the camaraderie.

Ms. Remes noted several times during the meeting that the upper half of the kingdom had a number of strong vibrant A&S programs at a local level. Based on the success and warmth of the most recent university, (yea us), that she would like to see more kingdom level events in the northern areas. She also noted several times during discussions that she is available for teaching. (Note to self - it sounds like she would really love an invite to teach, and I will be contacting her soon to open a discussion on what she would like to teach and she would be available to teach at Bright Hills. I figure sometime after birthday is appropriate and that it will take a couple of months for discussion and to notify folks of such an opportunity.)

As the meeting concluded a quick announcement was made by someone entering the room that the Acorn is in need of cover art and that submissions can be hand drawn or electronic. No other mention of details or format was made, and I will find out more before announcing locally.

Minister of Lists

Mistress Ceridwen presided.

- The Youth forms are in process of getting completely revised with new check lists that are clearer.
- Persons as young as 6 years old can authorize with equestrian.
- Be more careful with your paperwork!
- Be especially careful with the Xs&Os in the authorized form section on both VOA forms and temp cards.
- Make sure that the prior authorizations are correctly noted on the VOA and temp cards.
- When filling out temp cards the date on the upper left is today. And the date on upper right is three months from today or end of that month but make sure to include the correct year on that date spot.
- Make sure that marshals PRINT their modern name and sign their modern name on the temp cards.
- A new conference call for MoLs for quarterly updates and for Unevent is being looked into.
- New Change to event reports -- The report from now on will have the activity Marshal (as Rapier, or heavy, etc.) in place of the overall MIC in the Marshal info section.
- There is work going on for possibly a Staff card for Marshals and MoLs.
- Also discussion for a platinum fighter card for a higher fee, with the extra money going to the Kingdom medallion fund. The platinum fighter card may be a one-time cost and have free lifetime renewals and free for having additional forms added. This and other possibilities were discussed no decisions yet it's just in concept stage.
- Make sure you fill in the section on the VOA correctly for new authorizations. The new authorization box is only for fighters who have never authorized before. If they are adding new forms use the added form box not the new authorization box.

Seneschal

- Seneschal 101 class to be held at University
- Seneschal 102 for Baronial officers also planned
- Baronial Pollings were discussed
- Mailing labels may be requested for other baronial mailings but require approval.
- It was suggested that Baronial Board Meetings be kept to one hour. Having officers file reports ahead of time is one way to do this. Limiting discussion time and report time at the meeting is also suggested.
- Including the populace in meetings for large events might be a way of securing more help.
- Information affecting the populace can also be passed on at regular populace meeting.
- Tax deductions were discussed regarding officers and mandatory attendance at meetings. Site fees, mileage, food and lodging can be deducted.

Target Archery

- Safety is our number one priority.
- Rule changes have been given to the Earl Marshal.
- 100 yard rule stands (with some modifications)

- Marshals can inspect their own equipment
- Barony TAM must send reports quarterly to Archery DEM
- Atlatl rules now added
- MIT
 - New MIT form.
 - Full 3 events
 - Multi-day events count for only one event.
 - Marshals, make comments about the MIT's performance on the form.
 - All MIT's need a mentor and the mentor must approve the MIT for Marshal status.
 - Update info on Marshal page.
- Teaching marshals must use the lesson plan.
- Web site will be updated and made consistent across all web sites.
- Janyn will be coordinating St Sebastian's shoot at PENNSIC. Prizes requested from Baronies.
- Youth MIT program is working.
- Marshals, be firm but be nice to the youth shooters.

Combat Archery

- Safety is our number one priority.
- All rule changes were included in the current edition of the Policies.
- Heavy handbows and Crossbows are legal in Atlantia.
- Atlantia is following more closely with Society rules for CA.
- CA participants, check your ammo this winter and use the time to rebuild any that are marginal.

Webminister

Talorgen Hersir presided at the Meeting

- He would like a bunch of folks to be working on small tasks together rather than just one person doing all the work.
- He is working on changing or correcting the Policies for group web ministers.
- Please respond to his request for an annual report to show him that the web ministers are still interested in being the group web ministers.
- You may get asked to help on tasks on the Kingdom web site. The web projects list and the job tracking site list tasks needed to be done. These requests are voluntary you can say no but lots of help is needed.
- The "Problem Tracking System" is going to be activated again.
- The Kwebminister is looking for a replacement if you are interested.
- "Word Press" content management system is the software that will be used now.
- "Trac" is the backend software for the job tracking system.
- There is a need for more traffic and discussion of problems and ideas on the Web Minister List.
- There are 3 different types of release forms: Model release, Creative work Copyright and Photograph Release. Model release is used when its a portrait of several people.

- See the FAQs on [SCA.org/Documents& Policy](http://SCA.org/Documents&Policy) page for questions first. The January Acorn will have a link to it and lots more information of the different releases and when to use which one.
- The new rules go into effect for anything published after December 20, 2010.
- The release forms for photographs are a HOT BUTTON item right now. All three types of release forms can be filled out electronically. Photographs of crafted items need both a release from the photographer and from the item maker.
- The SCA society has no Policy on social media sites (like Facebook) at the present time.
- The Kingdom has room on its servers for event websites if you need the room.
- Videos need ALL THREE RELEASE FORMS. And the videos cannot be in the streaming format.

Armoured Marshall

- Marshall in charge warranted marshal any warranted marshal event report must reflect change of MIC check for autocrats report requirement.
- Marshal in charge of safety hand rule is relaxed with regard to 4" for edge of shield, minimum light glove advise for better protection (personal opinion) Sir Theron and Baron Otto.
- His Majesty Cuan pointed out personal opinion does not replace rules, rules enforced at all times, practices as well as tournaments.
- Once taken you do not have to retake marshal 101 and 102 again.
- Society Earl Marshal web page has tag for recent news on home web page
- Reporting what went right or wrong, to chart trends and record possible reoccurring incidents (i.e. armour failures, remarkable actions) Zoobang shirts are legal armour
- Corkscrewing if you are outside of kneeling fighters weapon range you cannot attach this person outside the 170-degree front engagement area once in range this no longer appeals however, there is no official rule on this it is a cultural call if a pass thru occurs the upright fighter must return to the front engagement area.
- Ridge and semi ridge foam definition for polearms do not require padding, small movement side to side small amount of compression (polearms which look like period equivalents) weight requirements hold. Presently old axe heads as of Pennsic are not legal as they are a head design and require padding on the edge
- Special deputies ex royal peers list will be posted soon. Add to reports Cuan, Ragnar, Jason, and Vlad.
- 2" spears tips as a suggestion add additional armour to throat unless wearing a beavour; this is a personal safety addition not a rule.

Baronial Calendar

December

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7:30 PM: Fighter practice and A&S night

8 PM: Baronial dance and bardic night

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9 AM: Unevent

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1 PM: Sunday archery practice

2 PM: Textile arts guild

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Letters of Recommendation

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7:30 PM: Fighter practice and A&S night

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1 PM: Sunday archery practice

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7:30 PM: Fighter practice and A&S night

8 PM: Garb show-and-tell class

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1 PM: Sunday archery practice

4 PM: Baronial business meeting

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7:30 PM: 7:30 PM: Fighter practice, A&S night, and swap meet night

25

1 PM: Sunday archery practice

1 PM: Woodworker's guild

5:30 PM: Bardic arts guild

30

7:30 PM: Fighter practice and A&S night

Poetry

The Herald's Cant

(to the tune of The Star Spangled Banner)

By Lady Deirdre O'Bardon

Oy say can you cant
Like a herald would cry
What the royalty says
When they're regally sitting
With awards set to give
To those not in the hall
Or to those who won't hear
No matter how you call
Oy then can you cant
For all those on the field
Telling of those who fight
And of those who must yield
Oy if you can cant
In a deafening tone
We'll dress you in green
And as Herald you'll be known.

Cathedral

by Eithne of Bright Hills

By drooping sun's light I wend down the snowy lane.
Trees sketch darkened runes on parchment of rose-hued light
that, sung upon the wind, whisper wisdom arcane
to find me the cathedral and pass this longest night.
Walking solitary, I travel not alone:
The evergreens curtsy and welcome me with grace;
the laurels in their green gowns beckon me t'ward home
with gentle hands in silver gloves filigreed with lace.
Here the path ends as an undulant untouched plain,
for I to the cathedral have arrived at last,
in time to see the branches, bowing into panes,
and rose-madder and ocher sky takes the place of glass.
Breathlessly I stand in this sacred winter place.
The stars start drifting down to light upon my face.

Bright Hills Baronial Birthday

Come to the Bright Hills to celebrate the Persian New Year, which usually occurs on March 21. It has been a tradition since the time of Zoraster (1750 to 600 BCE) and continues to this day. Our celebration will focus on the period following the demise of the Caliphate (661) up to the time of the Mongol invaders (1219). During this time, Nowruz was elevated to an even more important event. Nowruz was welcomed in a majestic hall, wherein servants had placed gold and silver plates and vases full of fruit and colorful flowers. Musicians and singers add to the festivities. Come and enjoy our merry celebration with sweets, displays of gold and red, flowers, candy, cookies, pastries and live plants. Wear your finest Persian garb and share in our Persian Feast.

Date: February 11, 2012

Martial Activities: TBD

Arts & Sciences Activities:

- **Persian Garb Competition** - Garb must be made by the participant and can be worn by the participant or someone else. Documentation required.
- **Haft Sin Table decorating competition** - Table space must be reserved ahead of time through the co-autocrat, Katarzyna Witkowska. Documentation required. Sponsored by co-autocrat Countess Rowan.
- **Persian Sekunjabin Competition** - Documentation required. Sponsored by Livia di Samuele.
- **Children's Gold Fish Pond Game** sponsored by co-autocrat Countess Rowan.
- **Bardic Bear Pit** - Details to be announced.

Feast: Authentic Persian Feast; deadline for paid reservations is January 28, 2012 (must be postmarked before January 28, 2012. Menu to be published in early January. Contact Head Cook with dietary restrictions: Lady Wynne, jay_wynne@hotmail.com.

Merchants: Space is limited. Please contact Lady Livia di Samuele/mka Sherrill Abramson abramsonsm@yahoo.com.

Cost:

| | Day-Trip | Feast | Camping |
|---------------------------|----------|---------|---------|
| Adult, Member: | \$11.00 | \$10.00 | \$0.00 |
| Adult, Non-Member: | \$16.00 | \$10.00 | \$0.00 |
| Youth (7-17): | \$5.00 | \$10.00 | \$0.00 |
| Child (0-6): | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |

There is a cap on fees for families. Charges will not exceed fees for 2 adults and 2 children, 7-17 - not including NMS fee. On Board Maximum is \$72.00.

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

Site: Manchester Fire Hall, York Street, Manchester, MD 21102

Site Restrictions: No open flames.

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

Co-Autocrat: Countess Rowan Berran McDowell

Reservations: Send reservations to autocrat

Directions: From I-695 take exit #19/I-795 N/N.W. Expressway/Owings Mills/Reisterstown onto Northwest Expressway (I-795 N). Follow for 8.7 miles. Take exit #9A/MD-30/MD-140 E/Hanover to the left, which becomes Butler Road (MD-128 N). Turn left onto Hanover Pike (MD-30). Go 14 miles and turn right onto York Street. The Hall is .3 miles on the right.

Current Baronial Champions

Archery: Lord Godai Katsunaga
Arts and Sciences: Lady Lind Rachel Fessel of the Falconshield
Bardic: Lady Nina of Bright Hills
Baronial Warlord: □ Lord Graham MacRobert
Brewer: Lady Livia di Samuel
Equestrian: Lady Nem inghean Dochartaigh
Heavy Weapons: Lord Randvar askmadr
Rapier: Lord Stephan Bridewell
Childrens Archery- M'Lord Ulliam mac Fearghus

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Barony of the Bright Hills Practices and Meetings Site Directions

Friday Night Heavy and Light Weapons Fighter Practices, Archery Practice, Dance Practice, Workshops, Illuminators' and St. Matthias Guild Meetings & Business Meetings (Please See Calendar) Christ the King Episcopal Church, 1930 Brookdale Rd., Baltimore, MD 21244
Although we use these facilities, the SCA is not endorsed by the Church.
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

Lord Godai Katsunaga, 443-398-4436

Every Sunday 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

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:

Woodworkers' Guild & Bardic Circle (4th Sunday of the Month)

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

If you've gone too far on Loch Raven, you will reach Northern Parkway - a huge intersection.) Our house is at 1020 Register - 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 Register Avenue if no room in driveway.

Brewer's Guild

Lady Reyne Telarius, 472 Winterberry Dr., Edgewood, MD 21014, (410) 676-5795
Quarterly meetings, contact with questions or to request special brewing days.

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.

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