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# THE YEOMAN



Some of our beautiful barony members with special friends at TNT!  
Photos by Lady Faye de Trees and Lady Catriona Inghean Ghiricc

Newsletter of the Barony of Bright Hills, Kingdom of Atlantia  
December 2008  
Anno Societatus XLII

## *From the Baroness...*

Greetings to all in the barony!

The holidays are upon us and the winter solstice nears! The cold and damp should not deter us from making merry!

We can while away the darkness with dance, music, practice the courtly arts at our Day of Dance II & Bardic Bachanal, January 3, 2009. Our talented musicians have been working hard to provide live music for your dancing pleasure. Bring a covered dish to share and dance the day away!

Kingdom 12th night is fast approaching and is easily within a day trip. The feast will accomodate 400 seats but it does fill up fast. This is an opportunity for the Crown to recognise those from the north who are doing great works so please, send those letters of recomendation in soon! You can use the online system or write to the Crown directly. Remember, anyone can write a letter on behalf of anyone, for any level of award.

Our Baronial Birthday- "From Lupercus to Valentinus- a Celebration of Courtly Love" is coming up soon and I am asking you to be my eyes and ears right here in our Barony. Let me know about folks that impress you and that you feel should be given baronial accolades. If you have court business please contact myself or Lady Wynne, the baronial herald, so that we can put you on the court schedule.

With the long cold days of winter upon us I encourage everyone to work on their projects and displays for the upcoming Kingdom Arts & Sciences Festival. If you need help with writing some simple documentation or just how to display your work better you can contact myself or Lord Denis, our MoAS, for help.

Even if you don't plan on participating come out anyway and see all of the wonderful work of your fellow Atlantians. You will be amazed at the range of interests and research that is going on right here in our own kingdom. It might just jumpstart an interest for you!

It may be winter but one need not miss the warmth of good friends, a warm fire, and exciting activities! Take care, travel safe and have a Merry Yule Season!

yours,

Mistress Martelle von Charlottenburg, OL  
Baroness of Bright Hills

## **Announcing New Swap Meet Nights!**

Oyez, Oyez! Good Gentles with excess SCA goodies or those in need of SCA goodies, pray attend! The 2nd Friday of each month - barring special events such as Pennsic - will have an SCA Swap Meet at our practice site. This is an opportunity for those of us with too much SCA stuff to buy, sell, trade, swap or just haggle for other folks goods as well as a prime opportunity for our folks in need of SCA goods to acquire them via the same methods - buy, sell, trade, swap or haggle. ONLY SCA related goods, please.

We encourage fabric, findings, trim, feast gear, tools, leather, armor, books, patterns, jewelry, etc....Both Christmas and 12th Night loom on the horizon and we have a goodly number of new folks who may want or need items we've found we no longer need but are too good to just dispose of. We'll gather up a few tables, put out our goods and see if anyone is interested.



Baronial Kids! at TNT

Photos by Lady Catriona Inghean Ghiricc and Lady Faye de Trees

## *From the Seneschale...*

Greetings to the Barony!

The holiday season is well underway. I hope that it is a happy and festive one for you all, and that you have the opportunity to share it with family and friends.

Once again, in November, the Barony gained renown through the deeds and activities of members of the populace. Young Pietre Witkowski (the grandson of Lady Katarzyna!) was named Archery Champion to the Barony of Dun Carraig! And our fighters and artisans supported the cause of Baroness Martelle and Baroness Molly.

Unevent is the first weekend of December, This is the Kingdom's administrative day, and most of the officers will be attending.

Kingdom Twelfth Night is January 10th, in the Canton of Suddentorre, so it will be a relatively short trip this year. We hope you will be able to attend!

As previously mentioned, the barony is preparing for 3 events in the first three months of the year. On January 3, we will host a Day of Dance and celebrate Baronial 12th Night. On February 14, we will celebrate the Baronial Birthday; and in March we will be hosting the Kingdom Arts and Sciences Festival. The details for these events are posted on the website, and on the Kingdom calendar! If you are at all interested in helping out, or in learning what it takes to organize an event, please contact one of the autocrats and offer to help in some way.

Fighter Practice continues to be well attended, with a lot of Arts & Sciences activities, as well as the fighting.

The baronial polling (vote of confidence) has been mailed. It went to all card-carrying members, who live within the defined territory of the Barony. If you believe you should receive a polling letter, but have not yet received it, please contact me as soon as possible

Have a safe and happy holiday season!

In Service, I am

Jeanne Teneur de Bec, OL, OP, CtB  
Seneschale, Bright Hills

## **Bright Hills Business Meeting Minutes      November 16, 2008**

Present: Bec, Hunter, Wynne, Katarzyna, Graham, Chagan, Dawn II, Heinrich, Barbara

### OFFICERS

Chatelaine: Barbara is the new chatelaine

Chronicler: attempting to get more submissions from cooks and bards for Yeoman

Exchequer: ~\$6500 in checking right now. We have paid for part of KASF. Event report is almost finished for TnT; we made about \$160, not as much as hoped but not bad considering the weather.

Herald: Wynne is the new baronial herald. Consults will continue every 2nd Friday. Met with Alexandria and have all books and files at home and have emailed necessary information. Sent two packets to Golden Dolphin.

Marshall:

heavy: start fighting again on Friday now that tournament season is over; 4-5 new fighters; looking to form ballista team for next year for Pennsic with three ballistas

archery: 2 new archers; meetings will continue on Sundays at the Baltimore Bowmen, rain or shine (or snow!); all loaner gear has been inspected, bows restrung, arrows being refurbished as needed, and possibly dangerous equipment being fixed or discarded; will have an arrow-making session in January or February at Seamus's house, will announce details as available

A&S: The entries at TnT were nice but there were not many and some categories had no entries; we will attempt to give more lead-time so people have more time; the theme for birthday is Elanor of Aquitaine and the Courts of Love; Ingeborg is the Bardic Champion and is working on several projects relating to that

### GUILDS

Armors: slugging through the winter; students will have various entries at

KASF

Blacksmiths: not much going on because of the cold

Brewers: no report

Clothiers: working on Tudor gowns for 12th night

Cooks: met at Mistress Bec's house and discussed the menu for birthday and set a tentative menu

Performing Arts: Something may happen at Day of Dance that will appear spontaneously; may do love songs at birthday; working on the performance for Chalice

TAG: We had 8 people at last meeting, which was not as rambunctious as the last meeting. Will meet again on the first Sunday in December. People have been busy, so attendance has been low.

Woodworkers: Luke and Olwen used large tools to split a log.

St. Matt's:

MOL: TnT went well except for rain; no injuries (or drownings); heavy bear pit at three different sessions with 7-9 people; rapier practiced for a while but didn't continue as rain increased; people had fun and the heavy armor was thoroughly washed

Webminister: no report

Seneschal: The polling letters were distributed on Friday regarding Martelle's second term (vote of confidence); these are stamped and will go to the post office tomorrow; 159 paid members are on the list; a reminder that Unevent is coming up and is relatively close; if you will not be attending, please inform Mistress Bec so that a substitute can be arranged

OLD BUSINESS

TnT: We made money! The event went well, and the site worked well: it was affordable and allowed camping, and the covered pavillion worked well in the rain. Yseulte will bid on next year's TnT if no one else bids first. The site

seemed willing for us to return next year.

Day of Dance: (Livi is not present) Yseulte has heard a lot of buzz among musicians. The event seems to be moving forward.

KASF: Moving along nicely; the website is up and running; have both lunch and dinner menus.

Birthday: Moving along nicely; contract signed but haven't made a deposit yet; still trying to track down Dennis; Tsuru will be decorating the hall

Church donations: Will write a check at the end of the year; still trying to meet up with church treasurer; at that point, we will start making quarterly payments of at least \$100/month based on donations

NEW BUSINESS

Crescent Guard Games: interested in having an event at the Baltimore Bowman in May; not all positions are full; target archery (see flier); the date might be the major issue with this event

BARONESS

Had a good time yesterday; Dun Carraig stole one of our archers; I will be going to Unevent and will be able (along with Katarzyna) to cover reports for absentees; 12th Night is coming up so send in letters of recommendation to Crown; will also have the opportunity to honor people in the barony at Day of Dance, so please send letters of recommendation to me; will not be at FP on Friday because will be teaching Mongolian things with Chagan in North Carolina; KASF is another opportunity for kingdom-level awards; may have to price up award medallions because we are running low on the pewter shields medallions (run ~\$5 each), so we may need to think about that in the future

Chagan and Barbara have been discussing the idea of a swap meet to help veterans clean out unneeded items and help newcomers acquire what they need

Heinrich brought up the necessity of signing a waiver if not in possession of a blue card at Friday night practice, now that FP is indoors; it is being questioned whether all populace or only fighters have to do this.

**Day of Dance II: Bardic Bachanal  
Baronial 12th Night**

**January 3, 2009  
Barony of Brighthills**

Let's welcome a new year with a new tradition: combining Baronial 12th Night with a revived Day of Dance. Baroness Roana di Laci sponsored the first Day of Dance and it was a smashing success. Please join us as we revisit this fine event. We will be at the church where the Barony of Bright Hills hosts their weekly fighter practice and arts and sciences night. Our great hall will host Dance classes alternating with Bardic performances though out the day. An assortment of classes in Bardic and other arts will be offered for your enjoyment. Merchants will offer their wares and our Bountiful Barony framed for it culinary skill and generosity will welcome all challengers in the pot luck day board. Performers of all types and levels of experience are welcome.

Site: Christ the King Episcopal Church, 1930 Brookdale Road, Baltimore, MD 21244

Date: January 3, 2009

Hours: 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Volunteer for cleanup are also welcome.

Site Restrictions: The site permits Wine, but no beer or hard alcohols

Autocrat: Lady Livia de Samuele (Sherrill Abramson)

7927 Mandan Road, Apt #104, Greenbelt, MD 20770.

Phone (301) 807-5476. Email: Abramsonsm@comcast.net

Fees	Dollars
Site (member, adult)	7
(adult nonmember)	10
Child – 6-17	3
Child – 0-5	0 (guest of barony)

Feast Information: This is a pot luck there will be no full feast. Hot and cold drinks, will be provided.

Cost Notes: A \$2 discount will be given to adults bringing a dish (period or non-period).

Martial activities: none,

A&S: dance instruction, dancing, bardic

Merchants: Please contact Lady Ingeborg I Trondheim to arrange for space. Ingeborg\_sca@yahoo.com

No children's activities provided, but children are welcome to participate in dancing and bardic.

Reservations: Send reservations to autocrat:

Please include legal name, SCA name, membership number and expiration date, and email address if an email confirmation is desired, along with your check made payable to the SCA Inc, Barony of Brighthills. If you have any questions, you may contact Livi by email.

Minors: All minors attending the event must be accompanied by an adult (18 years or older). If that adult is not the minor's parent or legal guardian, to enter the site, they must have an SCA minor's waiver that has been signed by the minor's parent or legal guardian and notarized. To get a copy of the form go to Atlantian Child Waiver Site, fill out and bring it with you.

Directions: Get off the Baltimore Beltway (I-695) at Exit 17 (Security Blvd Exit). Take the exit going west toward Rolling Road, not the exit going 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.



Bright Hills Baronial Youth all have friendly smiles, as if they are up to something...  
Photos by Lady Catriona Inghean Ghiricc and Lady Faye de Trees

**From Lupercus to Valentinus- a Celebration of Courtly Love**  
**Baronial Birthday**  
**Saturday, February 14, 2009**  
**Barony of Bright Hills**

On the most romantic day of the year, we will take time to reflect on the history of the day, from Lupercus to Valentinus and to understand and celebrate the ideal of courtly love. Bring your special someone and all your friends and family as we celebrate romance in true SCA style, complete with singing, dancing, learning, and a lavish romantic feast! Join the Barony of Bright Hills as we celebrate our Baronial Birthday!

The event officially runs from 10am to 10pm, volunteers for set up and clean up are welcome! Schedule and activity updates will appear on event webpage at: <http://parchmentandpcs.com/Pages/love.html>

Martial activities: Heavy weapons fighting will be held weather permitting, MIC Baron Temur of the Kerait, [temurkhan@comcast.net](mailto:temurkhan@comcast.net)

A&S activities: A & S Classes will be offered throughout the day, an A & S Commentary display area will host displays of projects completed or in progress for commentary and help for those who are aiming to display at the Kingdom Arts and Sciences in March. Lord Richard Wynn will host the second annual Bardic at Ten Paces- a Bardic Bear Pit competition- come prepared with your best bardic skills! Tavern space will also be available for bards to congregate, sing, swap stories, share songs and brew mischief.

Children's activities: will be available during the day. Lady Nina of Bright Hills will host the popular "children's corner" and activities will be available through the day. Parents are asked to volunteer some time to help with children's corner as well.

Merchants are welcome, and should contact Lady Ingeborg i Trondheim, [ingeborg\\_sca@yahoo.com](mailto:ingeborg_sca@yahoo.com), 443-813-2941

The Saturday lunch will be offered as a fundraiser. The romantic evening feast will be prepared by the famed Bright Hills Cooks Guild with Master Chirhart Blackstar as head cook assisted by Lady Dierdre O'Bardon and the rest of the cook's guild.

Cost:  
Adult, Member: \$ 7.00 Site  
Feast, Adult or Child: \$ 8.00  
Adult, Non-Member: \$10.00 Site  
Youth (6-17): \$ 5.00 Site  
Child (0-15): \$ 0.00 Site (guests of the Barony)

Make Checks Payable To: SCA, Inc., Barony of Bright Hills.  
No family (of parents and children) shall pay more than \$40 total in site fees.

Total refunds will be available if the reservationist or autocrat receives your request by February 7th, 2009. Onsite feast refunds are available ONLY if we are able to resell your seat.

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AUTOCRAT: Lady Faye de Trees (Angela Yau), 1402 Hillside Dr., Bel Air, MD 21015; Phone: (410) 838-9694; Email: [feataure@yahoo.com](mailto:feataure@yahoo.com)

SITE: Manchester Volunteer Fire Company Social Hall, on fairgrounds at York Street and Locust Street, 3291 York street, Manchester, MD 21102  
SITE NOTES: This site is discreetly wet, conforming with all applicable laws. No smoking in any building. No Pets are permitted on site. The building is handicapped accessible and has accessible restrooms.

**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.

## **Current Baronial Champions**

Archery: M'lord Uilliam mac Fearghus  
Arts and Sciences: Master Tristan Alexander  
Bardic: Lady Ingeborg í Prándheimi  
Baronial Warlord: Baron Heinrich Kreiner  
Brewer: Lady Deirdre O'Bardon  
Equestrian: Mor Inghean Ui Dochartaigh  
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Woodworkers' Guild (WAG): Lord Luke of Bright Hills (idylukewild@yahoo.com)  
The Worshipful Company of St. Matthias: Lady Bob (Cassie Charlesworth)

To see the most current list of local events, please follow the following link:  
<http://brighthills.atlantia.sca.org/events/local.htm>

To see the most current list of away events, please follow the following link:  
<http://www.atlantia.sca.org/>

## **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

Get off 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

## **Tuesday Evening Archery Practice**

Lord Rhys & Lady Cassie Charlesworth, 4633 Ridge Road, Nottingham, MD 21236  
895N to 95N the TOP of 695 (go through tunnel). Take 695W towards TOWSON.  
Take next available exit (32B) Rt 1 North towards BEL AIR. Go to top of the hill to the intersection with RIDGE ROAD. Go RIGHT onto RIDGE ROAD (curvy road, be careful). After about 1/3 mile, you'll see PAUL'S MARKET on a corner. After that, we are the BIG GREEN TWO STORY HOUSE on the RIGHT. There are two driveways in a break in the hedges. We are the second one (the paved one).

## **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.

### **Textile Arts Guild**

Lady Ingvild. 1725 Trotting Court, Jarrettsville, MD 21084, (410) 692-2076  
Meeting the first Sunday of the month. Call for more detailed directions. We will begin at 2:00 pm and end around 6:00 pm. Coffee will be on as will other warm beverages!

### **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  
Lady Catriona Inghean Ghiricc, 186 Glen View Terrace, Abingdon, MD 21009  
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.

# December 2008 Bright Hills Baronial Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5 Fighter Practice & ArtSci 7:30pm Featuring: Dance Practice	6
7 Clothier's Guild Tudor Sleeves 12-5pm  TAG 2-6pm	8	9	10	11	12 Fighter Practice & ArtSci Night 7:30pm Featuring: Swap Meet!	13
14  Business Meeting 4-6pm	15	16	17  7:30pm at Kat's house Bead Embroidery class	18	19 Fighter Practice & ArtSci Night 7:30pm	20
21 Yule!	22	23	24	25	26 Fighter Practice & ArtSci Night 7:30pm	27
28  WAG 1-5pm Bardic 5:30-8:30pm	29	30	31	Coming up in January: Day of Dance II: Bardic Bachanal, January 3rd Kingdom Twelfth Night, January 10th Beginner Naalbinding class, January 16th Documentation for SCA Display or Competition, January 23rd		

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Some of our beautiful barony members took portraits at TNT  
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