
The Chanticleer

Monthly Newsletter of Barony Beyond the Mountain

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The Fiber Festival of New England





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Youth Marshal - Vacant

Combat Arts

NOTE: Practices are subject to change without notice. Please call ahead.

Archery

CT: BBM - Tuesdays – 5:30 p.m. (weather permitting) Burlington, CT - Dorigen & Eloise's at 17 Bittersweet Lane, Burlington, CT. Contact Dorigen at 860-673-2240.

CT: Dragonship Haven: Sundays 12-3 pm (in season, weather permitting) Oxford, CT. DragonshipHaven@yahoogroups.com

Fencing

Thursdays, 7:30-10:00 p.m., Keefe Community Center, 11 Pine Street, Hamden, CT (hosted by Barony of Dragonship Haven). Contact the Fencing Marshal (Christophel) @fence@dragonshiphaven.eastkingdom.org.

Heavy-List Fighting

Wednesdays, 7 pm, Barony of Bergental at Bethesda Lutheran Church, 455 Island Pond Rd., Springfield, MA. Contact Knight Marshall of Barony of Bergental for more information.

Thursdays, 8-10 p.m., Keefe Community Center, 11 Pine Street, Hamden, CT, hosted by Barony of Dragonship Haven). Contact the marshal at heavy@dragonshiphaven.eastkingdom.org.

Thrown Weapons Practice

1st & 3rd Sunday, 64 Orchard St, Vernon, CT. Contact sisuile@gmail.com for times.

Thursdays (Closed for year), 7 Jacob's Hill Rd, Ellington, CT, 5:30 p.m. to dark. If there is any chance of cancelation, I will post on the BBM Facebook page. Contact Matthew Soucy (Matteo Genovese) matthewsoucy@ymail.com 774-545-5733.

Baronial Champions:

Archery Champion: Baron Dorigen of Lewes

Fencing Champion: Agnes de Leon

Heavy Weapons Champion: Svafnir Thorvaldson

Thrown Weapons Champion: Lord Gwilym of Fflint

Baronial Meeting:

Monday, November 18, 2019, 7-8 p.m. at Cragin Library, 8 Linwood Avenue, Colchester, CT 06415.

Arts & Science

Middle-Eastern Dance

Sundays, 1-4 p.m., Authur Murray Dance Studio, Glen Lochen Marketplace, 39 New London Turnpike, Glastonbury, CT. Contact Mistress Su'ad (Nancy Barrett) at 860-228-6933 (before 10 p.m.); nancysuad@gmail.com.

Dance

First Tuesday of month – 8:30-10:30 pm - Camelot Co-Housing 46 Sawyer Hill Rd. Berlin, MA (Quintavia)

Sewing

Sewing & Throwing is the 3rd Sunday, bring your string-based projects, hang out, throw sharp objects at wood. 64 Orchard St, Vernon, CT. Contact sisuile@gmail.com for times.

Photos by Mistress Eloise of Coulter



Barony Beyond the Mountain Meeting Minutes

October 21, 2019

Next Meeting: November 21, 2019 - Cragin Library, 8 Linwood Avenue, Colchester, CT

Officer's Reports

Seneschal -

- Copy Kayleigh on everything from here on out. Officially done at Yule, which is not very far away.
- new email list has been created.

Exchequer - We have a healthy bank account.

- Outstanding checks have stop payments on them. Reissued.

- No raffles, no online auctions

- Financial Policy to be discussed in old Business

Chatelaine – Lots of people, esp from the craft & nosh

Demo - New England Fiber Fest

Will talk to DSH about CT Sheep & Wool at St. Eligus

Chronicler - Please send articles, stories, links, how-tos, recipes, photos, etc. Johanna will be stepping down at Yule.

Arts and Sciences – Not present; largess competition at Yule, A&S display

Herald – Nothing happening

Web Minister – Please send all requests to the web minister email address.

Lists – Not present; nothing to report at this time.

Knight Marshal – Fight practice over for the season. Ana Illvna & Anarra have volunteered their back yard for a FP.

Fencing Marshal – **VACANT**

Captain of Archers – Archery is happening on Tuesdays in Burlington

Youth Marshal – **VACANT**

Thrown Weapons Marshal – Two new master throwers in BBM, Halloween last practice

Baron and Baroness – Looking for largess, throw your friends under a bus, their excellencies are happy to ask people in specific. HRM is coming to Yule

Champions Day - need to find a site and day.

Old Business

Baronial financial policy - Vote in November, then send to Kingdom.

Yule 2019

Notes from the stewards:

Comp Mark, Gwenlian, & Johannes for Yule – voted yes for second time

Stewards = Ciara and Anarra

Feast = Sisuile

Day Board = Sisuile/Kira

Hall Steward for Feast = Needed - someone step up please??

Gate = Leandra

Merchant Liaison = Ciara

Royalty Liaison = Camma & Gwenlian

Silent Auction = Severin & Carlien

Yule Ceremony = Eloise and understudies

Kitchen Clean up = Aelfgiva will do her towel challenge

Heavy Marshal = Ask Bergental if they want to organize Heavy Fighting. BBM Heavy Champions will be at Yule

Rapier Marshal = BYOM – If someone wants to hold Rapier, contact the event stewards

Archery Marshal = no archery

Court Clean up = Elizabeth

Paypal link is live - open until November 15

Largess Challenge =

Please tell the Stewards if something either needs space or to be on the schedule and also tell us both what you want in the event announcement.

We propose an A&S Display. Talk to Dyrfinna.

Musicians = Ciara has contacted.

Dancing = Anarra to contact Aelia Fortunata from Carolingia who tentatively offered to teach dance at last year's Yule.

Ask the Site:

- Can they set up the first 100 chairs at the front of court and leave the last 100 chairs at the back for us to set up so we have more space for dancing.
 - Can they move the big...thingie...that looks like a soccer goal on steroids that's over by the piano so we can access the steps up to the stage on the Lord's changing room side.
 - If we're going to do archery can we ask for the grass to be mown and the brush to be removed.
 - 10 round tables in Cafeteria plus dayboard and cooler table plus other rectangular tables for High table, A&S (?) and Schmooze.
 - Rectangular tables all along the windows that face the courtyard outside the gym for silent auction.
- Anarra will e-mail and Facebook BBM and Bergental and ask for volunteers for:
- Set up
 - Clean up
 - Gate
- Ask anyone doing anything at Yule to tell us both so we can schedule it and put it in the event announcement.

Golden Seamstress (no date)

Not site has been found yet, but multiple people are looking. Her Excellency will be looking at a site in Norwich in the near future.

Site requirements: At least 1 large room, and another smaller room (for sleeping contestants), as well as space for changing. A small kitchen is nice but not required. Price range: ideally not more than \$200, as that's what the event generally brings in.

Artifacts of a Life IV – 2/8/2020

- Baron Jehan will once again be an unofficial co-autocrat and will begin work shortly on recruiting judges. Elizabeth is working on thank you gifts for the judges.
- Master Peregrine has agreed to run the tabulation process, which is a big part of the behind the scenes work.
- We would like to give prizes of raw materials – contact Elizabeth with any questions regarding suitability. We have previously discussed a budget of \$50 for prizes, which Elizabeth would like to use towards the cost of the wood chests that Eloise and Dorian usually build.

Food Safety Kitchen Equipment

Severin attended a class at Pennsic on food safety and noted several things which he thinks we should add to the kitchen supplies: 1) thermometers with wire attached to digital monitor; 2) disposable gloves in multiple sizes; 3) long handled teaspoons for tasting. Severin presented his proposal. Due to time issues, further discussion put off until November

Thrown Weapons Event

Matteo would like to run a decathlon-themed thrown weapons event. He doesn't have a site yet, and would like help finding one. Requirements are: Big field (100' x 100'). Kitchen not required, but bathrooms are needed. Parking: For no more than 50 attendees if event is TW only. He's willing to include other activities, but site requirements may change as a result.

As Matteo has never run an event, he's also looking for help/guidance. He's happy to do the work, but doesn't know everything that needs to be considered and/or done.



Archaeology News

<http://www.archaeology.org/news/>

10/29/19 - WAS MEDIEVAL TAPESTRY CUSTOM MADE FOR BAYEUX CATHEDRAL? - YORK, ENGLAND

—Art historian Christopher Norton of the University of York has suggested that the Bayeux Tapestry was commissioned within a few years of the Norman conquest of England in A.D. 1066 to hang in France's Bayeux Cathedral, according to a *Live Science* report. Images on the artwork, which is thought to have been commissioned by Bishop Odo, a half-brother of William the Conqueror, and stitched by women in England, depict the exploits of the first Norman king of England and his victory at the Battle of Hastings. Norton examined documentary evidence, surviving architectural

details of the church, published data on the tapestry's measurements, and information on medieval cloth sizes. He says the physical and narrative structure of the 230-foot-long tapestry's embroidered linen strips are perfectly adapted to the north, south, and west sides of the cathedral's main, central section, allowing for the church's choir screen, doorways, and architectural supports, and shrinkage and missing sections of the tapestry. The tapestry first appeared in the Bayeux Cathedral's inventory in 1476. To read about a fortress built after the Norman invasion of England, go to "Inside the Anarchy." <https://www.livescience.com/bayeux-tapestry-mystery-solved.html>

10/25/19 - MEDIEVAL SCOTSMAN'S FACE RECONSTRUCTED - ABERDEEN, SCOTLAND—*BBC News* reports that researchers from AOC Archaeology Group have reconstructed the face of a man whose 600-year-old remains were uncovered during a construction project in northeastern Scotland's city of Aberdeen. Examination of his bones revealed he was over the age of 46 at the time of death, stood shorter than most men of the time period, and suffered from extensive dental disease. The chemical composition of his bones suggests he grew up in Scotland's northwest Highlands, or on one of the Outer Hebrides islands. For more on facial reconstruction, go to "Neolithic FaceTime." <https://www.bbc.com/news/uk-scotland-north-east-orkney-shetland-50138379>

10/24/19 - MEDIEVAL BURIALS UNCOVERED IN CENTRAL ROME - ROME, ITALY—*Wanted in Rome* reports that medieval burials were unearthed during utility work on the Via del Governo Vecchio in central Rome. The graves had been damaged by previous construction projects. The first burial contained the remains of a 25- to 30-year-old woman, and a 30- to 40-year-old man. The woman was buried with a shell in her hand. A bronze coin dating to the late eleventh or early twelfth century and shell fragments were also found in the grave. The second burial site consists of several graves set against a brick wall thought to be associated with the Church of St. Cecilia at Monte Giordano, which was built in A.D. 1123 and demolished in the early seventeenth century. Scallop shells with drilled holes found in these graves were typically worn as necklaces by pilgrims, suggesting that Christians who died while making a pilgrimage to St. Peter's Basilica may have been buried here. To read about the grave of a presumed outlaw in eleventh-century Sicily, go to "Stabbed in the Back."

<https://www.wantedinrome.com/news/mediaeval-pilgrim-tombs-found-below-rome-street.html>

10/22/19 - NEW THOUGHTS ON OSLO'S MEDIEVAL WATERFRONT - OSLO, NORWAY—*Life in Norway* reports that massive timbers and stone foundations from Oslo's medieval waterfront have been uncovered at the head of the Oslo fjord. Scientists including Håvard Hegdal of the Norwegian Institute for Cultural Heritage Research (NIKU) dated the timber to the summer of A.D. 1420. The stonework may have served as building foundations, or as walkways described in medieval sources for watchmen to patrol the city and the port's jetties, Hegdal said. Timber quay structures have also been found some 300 feet to the north, he added, suggesting the quay at the port of Oslo was larger than had been previously thought. The newly uncovered landing area, however, is larger and better built, leading Hegdal to speculate that the area might have once been one of higher status. The researchers are creating 3-D models of the waterfront area as they continue to excavate the remains of ships and piers. To read about Norway's first Christian ruler, go to "The Church that Transformed Norway." <https://www.lifeinnorway.net/old-oslo-quayside/>

10/9/19 - VIKING COIN HOARDS UNCOVERED IN ESTONIA - KURESSAARE, ESTONIA—*ERR News* reports that two hoards of silver coins dating to the Viking era have been discovered on the island of Saaremaa. The first hoard dates to the latter half of the tenth century A.D., and is thought to have been carried to Saaremaa's southern coast from the island of Gotland, which is also located in the Baltic Sea. The second hoard, found in western Saaremaa, also dates to the late eleventh century. Mauri Kiudsoo of Tallinn University said the caches of coins reflect the upheaval in the region at the time. Few coin hoards from the late eleventh century have been found in other parts of Estonia, he added. For more, go to "Hoards of the Vikings." <https://news.err.ee/988737/another-saaremaa-archaeological-haul-includes-viking-era-silver-coins>

10/4/19 - FIFTEENTH-CENTURY ORNAMENT RETURNED TO OLD CAIRO MOSQUE - CAIRO, EGYPT—*Ahram Online* reports that a copper ornament stolen from the fifteenth-century Al-Kady Abdel-Baset mosque in 2014 has been recovered and returned to the mosque's main door. Police tracked the artifact through the use of surveillance camera footage, according to Gamal Mustafa, head of the Islamic, Coptic and Jewish Antiquities Department of Egypt's Ministry of Antiquities.

Objects taken from other mosques in Cairo were also found in the suspect's possession. To read about Heliopolis, once the most sacred site on the Nile, go to "Egypt's Eternal City."
<http://english.ahram.org.eg/NewsContent/9/43/351837/Heritage/Islamic/Ornament-stolen-in--from-AIKady-AbdelBaset-Mosque-.aspx>

10/3/19 - BLACK DEATH BACTERIA MAY HAVE ORIGINATED IN RUSSIA - JENA, GERMANY—*Science Magazine* reports that researchers led by Maria Spyrou of the Max Planck Institute for the Science of Human History analyzed the genomes of 34 samples of *Y. pestis*, the bacteria that caused the Black Death, obtained from the teeth of people buried at ten different European sites between the fourteenth and seventeenth centuries. The study suggests that the oldest bacteria DNA came from Laishevo, a town in Russia's southwestern Volga region, and that this strain is ancestral to the strains in the remaining samples, although it may have originated somewhere else in western Asia. Once it arrived in Europe, *Y. pestis* is likely to have lived on local rodent hosts, where it evolved, diversified, and caused later outbreaks of the Black Death. Additional samples of the bacteria from western Asia could offer more information about the spread of the disease, Spyrou explained. For more, go to "Bronze Age Plague," one of ARCHAEOLOGY's Top 10 Discoveries of 2018.
<https://www.sciencemag.org/news/2019/10/ancient-dna-traces-black-death-russia-s-volga-region>

10/2/19 - ELIZABETHAN-ERA THEATER SITE EXCAVATED IN LONDON - LONDON, ENGLAND—According to a report in *The East London Advertiser*, a team of researchers from the Museum of London Archaeology (MOLA) is investigating the site of the Boar's Head Playhouse in the Whitechapel district of East London. Historic records show that rowdy plays were performed in open-air spaces at the inn, which was owned by Oliver Woodliffe, as early as 1557. Woodliffe added tiered galleries, a 360-degree stage, and a central yard to the inn complex in 1598, and a roof over the stage and additional galleries a year later. Acting troupes including the Lord Derby's Men, the Lord Worcester's Men, and the Queen's Men all performed on the Boar's Head stage. Any surviving remnants of the theater will be featured in the student housing and community performance space planned for construction on the site. To read about excavations at one of London's earliest Elizabethan theaters, go to "Behind the Curtain."
<https://www.eastlondonadvertiser.co.uk/news/herita>

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10/1/19 - VIKING SWORD PARTS RECOVERED IN ESTONIA - TALLINN, ESTONIA—*ERR News* reports that pieces of some 100 Viking swords and spearheads dating to the middle of the tenth century A.D. were found in two caches placed about 260 feet apart along a remote Viking trade route near Estonia's northwestern coast. Archaeologist Mauri Kiudsoo of Tallinn University said the bits of broken weapons may have been cenotaphs, or items left as a monument to warriors who had died and were buried somewhere else. The surviving sword parts provide enough information, however, to know the weapons included H-shaped double-edged swords. Eight nearly intact type H swords and fragments of 100 more have been found in Estonia alone, Kiudsoo explained. Most of those artifacts have been found along the country's northern coast, he added. For more, go to "The First Vikings."
<https://news.err.ee/986495/fragments-of-100-viking-swords-unearthed-in-north-estonia>

Barony Beyond the Mountain/Bergental Yule

December 7, 2019

Hosted by Barony of Beyond the Mountain - New Britain, CT

Greetings, one and all! As the days grow cold and the North wind begins its relentless pursuit, it's time to seek the warm welcoming halls of good neighbors and friends. The Barony Beyond the Mountain and our Northern neighbor Bergental, have, once again, combined our efforts to provide such a haven to all who would seek it! We welcome you to join Their Majesties and Their Highnesses in our hall for a day of feasting, marshal activities, music, dancing, games, ceremony, and respite. Merchants are most welcome!

Their Excellencies of the Barony Beyond the Mountain and Bergental are calling for a court of color and would be delighted by seeing all arrayed in their finery of green.

We will have our traditional Silent Auction. Proceeds will benefit the Barony Beyond the Mountain, the Barony of Bergental, or the East Kingdom (as chosen by the donor). BRING SCA-ADJACENT STUFF you no longer want in your house!



SITE RULES - Site is damp. Beer, wine, mead or champagne ONLY. No spirits or spirit-based cordials are allowed on site, not even as gifts.

No smoking or vaping on site. Not even in the parking lot. You must go outside the fence to smoke or vape.

No open flames are allowed by CT law. Enclosed candles and flames only.

No animals are allowed on site except Service Animals as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act (guide dogs, signal dogs, or other animals individually trained to provide assistance to an individual with a disability). Connecticut laws on assistance animals and guide dogs are summarized here: <https://www.jud.ct.gov/lawlib/Notebooks/Pathfinders/Dogs.pdf> (This is a .pdf. See Section 4, page 25.)

Site is accessible with ADA-complaint bathrooms and a ramp to get into the building. There is ample designated handicapped parking. All activities take

place either outside (the archery area is accessible through the paved parking lot) or on the ground floor. Changing areas are on the stage up a short flight of steps, but we also have an accessible changing area with no steps.

Site Open: 09:00 am - 9:00 pm

Location: HSC Community Center, 370 Osgood Avenue, New Britain, CT 06053

Directions: North, East or West, take your best route to I-84, Exit 36 (Slater Road). From the exit, continue straight onto Sterling Road. Sterling ends in a T with a wood straight ahead of you.

At the woods, turn LEFT onto Corbin Avenue. The entrance to the site is on your RIGHT. It's a gate in a chain-link fence just before Osgood Avenue. If you get to the traffic light on Osgood you've just passed it.

From the South, take I-91 to Exit 22N (Route 9 North). Merge LEFT to Route 72 WEST towards Bristol. Take the Corbin Avenue exit. This is a right-hand exit off of Route 72. Turn RIGHT onto Corbin Avenue for ~1.3 miles. The entrance to the site is on your RIGHT. It's a gate in a chain-link fence just before Osgood Avenue. If you get to the traffic light on Osgood you've just passed it. (If you miss the Corbin Avenue exit, then get onto I-84 East-bound and follow the directions above.)

Site Fees: The Site fee is \$15, with a \$5 discount for members of the SCA. Children 17 and under are free. This includes Dayboard.

Reservation by PayPal is also available through the following link:

<https://surveys.eastkingdom.org/index.php/91991>
A PayPal invoice will be generated within 24 hours of the online preregistration information being submitted. Online preregistration is not complete until the PayPal invoice has been paid.

Note the site will be open for set-up from 5:15 pm Friday to 9:00 pm and from 7:30 am Saturday. Tear-down ends at Midnight Saturday (Or, hopefully, MUCH earlier!) If you are on site after feast, thank you for helping to clean up!

Feast: Contact the Head Cook if you have questions regarding Dayboard or Feast: Lady Sisuilé Butler - Seneschal@bbm.eastkingdom.org

DAY BOARD:

Chicken stew
Bread
Butter
Herbed cheese
Hummus
Cheese cubes
Ham slices
Stick veggies
Parsley rice
Beans
Gingerbread

FEAST:

Feast Fee is \$10. Feast limited to 80 people.
Reservation information and Paypal link will be forthcoming.

Julfest aus 1553**First course:**

Bratwurst & mustard
Genovese tarts (spinach and cheese)
Roasted root vegetables
Cooked apples

Second course:

Rosemary chicken
Cheese buns (fried cheese doughnuts)
Peas
Venison meatballs

Dessert:

Marzipan tarts
Currant bread/fruitcake
Shortbread cookies with rings

Make Checks Payable to: Barony Beyond the Mountain, SCA Inc.

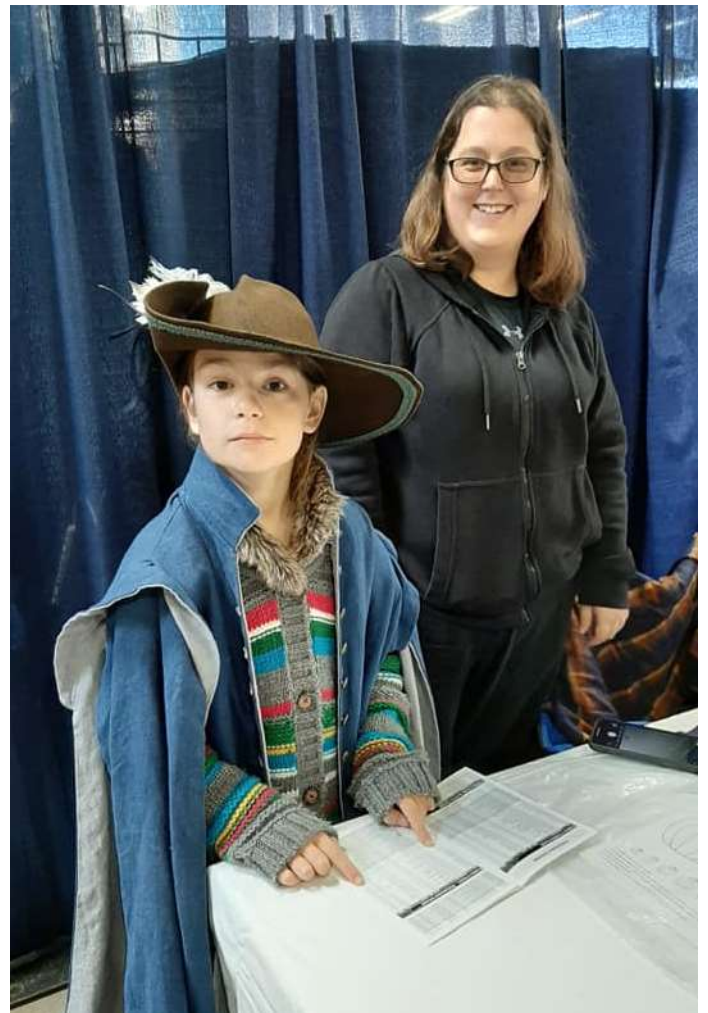
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