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# *The Chanticleer*

## *Monthly Newsletter of Barony Beyond the Mountain*

*November, 2017*

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### *Barony Beyond the Mountain/Bergental Yule*

*December 2, 2017*

*Hosted by Barony of Beyond the Mountain*

*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 our hall for a day of feasting, marshal activities, classes, competitions, music, dancing, ceremony, and respite. Merchants are also most welcome!*

**Site Open:** 10am - 10pm

**Event Website:** <https://bbm.eastkingdom.org/events/yule-2017/>

**Location:** Windham-Tolland 4-H Camp, 326 Taft Pond Road, Pomfret Center, CT 06259

**Directions:** Taft Pond Road is the first left on Route #97 North from the junction. Follow the 4-H signs to the camp located approximately 1.5 miles on the Left on Taft Pond Road.

**Registration:** Before November 25th: \$15 Adults 18 and over (\$10 after discount for SCA members) Youth age 17 and under are FREE

**At the Door:** \$20 Adults 18 and over (\$15 after discount for SCA members) Youth age 17 and under are FREE  
Adult SCA members receive a \$5 discount on Registration Fees with proof of membership.

**Pre-registration is now available through PayPal!** Please use the following link:

<http://surveys.eastkingdom.org/index.php/161269>

**Note:** In order to complete your pre-registration, you will need to pay the PayPal invoice which will be e-mailed to you within 24 hours of your preregistration submission.

**Feast:** \$12 - **At Their Excellencies' request, the traditional feast of Simplefare will be served.** The menu is subject to modification depending on food prices.

1st Course: Mustard Soup, Bread, Butters, Water

2nd Course: Roast Chicken, Roman Carrots, Spinacci Fibonacci, Blanche Poree, Lemonade

3rd Course: Bockwurst, Apples & Onions, Barley, Roedd Groedd Mit Floedd, Cider or Water

Dessert: To be determined

**Seating is limited, reservations are HIGHLY recommended.**

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

**Event Steward:** Anne Akin, 29 Fowler Road, North Stonington, CT 06359, 248-628-1258, [anne.akin@pfizer.com](mailto:anne.akin@pfizer.com)

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## *Baronial Officers:*

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**Marshal of Thrown Weapons** – Vacant

**Mistress of Arts & Science** – Lady Aurelia & Becky, [moas@bbm.eastkingdom.org](mailto:moas@bbm.eastkingdom.org)

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**Web Minister** – Lady Sisule Butler, [webminister@bbm.eastkingdom.org](mailto:webminister@bbm.eastkingdom.org)

**Youth Marshal** - Vacant

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# Combat Arts

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

## Archery

**CT: BBM –** By appointment Sundays, 3-5 at the Norwich Archery Club. Contact Siobhan 860-859-2773.

**CT: BBM -** Tuesdays – 5:30 p.m. 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

**MA: Carolingia – Carlisle, MA: Sundays** from 10 am to 1 pm - Archery practice runs year round, by Master Peter the Red, at his home at 94 Laurelwood Drive, Carlisle, MA. All are welcome and loaner equipment is available. Contact Peter at peter.carmichael@comcast.net or call 978-287-0808.

**MA: Quintavia - (Worcester County; Central Mass): Sunday from 1-3 pm** weather permitting. Rozi and Brokk's, 472 Gleasondale Road, Stow, MA.

**MA: Smoking Rocks -** Wednesdays 5:30-7:30 pm and Fridays 6-8 pm – Trader Jan's, 288 Plymouth Avenue, Fall River, MA. Lane fee is \$8. Loaner gear is available.

**RI: Toba's practice:** Practice is open by appointment. Website has current information: [www.baronyofthebridge.eastkingdom.org](http://www.baronyofthebridge.eastkingdom.org). Contact Toba 401-741-9130 or Radagast 401-741-9067.

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## Fencing

**Sundays, 1-3 pm –** 29 Florida Road, East Haddam, CT – Adult rapier only – Contact Grimolfr at 860-682-2526.

**Mondays, 7-9 p.m.** at Mary Elizabeth McGrath Educational Center, 130 Elm Street, Millbury, MA (Quintavia).

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

## Heavy-List Fighting

**Tuesdays, 7-10 pm,** Middlefield Federated Church, 402 Main Street, Middlefield, CT. Contact: Áine at [ainethefearless@gmail.com](mailto:ainethefearless@gmail.com)

**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,** Hamden, CT, hosted by Barony of Dragonship Haven). Contact the marshal at [heavy@dragonshiphaven.eastkingdom.org](mailto:heavy@dragonshiphaven.eastkingdom.org).

## Thrown Weapons Practice

**1st & 3rd Sunday, 64 Orchard St,** Vernon, CT. Contact [sisuile@gmail.com](mailto:sisuile@gmail.com) for times.

**Saturdays, 9-12 Aschehyrst, 258 Edgell Rd,** Framingham, MA. Contact Symon of Barnesdale, [thrown-weapons-marshal@carolingia.eastkingdom.org](mailto:thrown-weapons-marshal@carolingia.eastkingdom.org)

## Youth Fighter Practice

**Tuesdays, 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm** at Middlefield Federated Church, 402 Main Street, Middlefield, CT. This practice is currently in abeyance and planning to restart in January. Please contact Aine at [ainethefearless@gmail.com](mailto:ainethefearless@gmail.com) for more details.



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# Baronial Champions:

**Archery Champion:** Jonathan Buchanon

**Fencing Champion:** Sir Arnwult Aethelreding

**Heavy Weapons Champion:** Lord Mark the Red Hand

**Thrown Weapons Champion:** Lord Rumhann MacDuibhsithe an Bhlog Seolta

## Meetings:

**Baronial:** Next meeting is November 20, 2017 - location to be determined. Contact Mistress Elizabeth Vynehorn, [Seneschal@bbm.eastkingdom.org](mailto:Seneschal@bbm.eastkingdom.org)

## 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](mailto:nancysuad@gmail.com).

### Dance

First Tuesday of month – 7:30-9:30 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](mailto:sisuile@gmail.com) for times.

## Greetings to the Barony from Eloise

Another Crown Tournament has been accomplished, and I congratulate Prince Brennan and Princess Caoilfhionn on becoming the heirs to the Tyger Throne, and the Royalty who will invest our heirs to the Barony in May. Look for the announcement of our heirs at Yule.

Speaking of Yule. Mistress Elizabeth with the skilled assistance of Lady Johanna and the help of many old-time Barony members have acceded to my entirely unreasonable request, and are bringing us the best of the Simple Fare feast for Yule. Simple Fare is near and dear to my heart. It was my second event. It was my first feast. His Excellency proposed to me at Simple Fare, and the kitchen is where I learned about service, and the joy of working so that others may have joy. If I'd had a choice, I would have had this feast for my Investiture. But better late than never, and I will get to have it at Yule. Many thanks to Mistress Elizabeth and the traditional kitchen crew. Please let me stir the soup.

But as with a feast, many hands make light work, and we will need many hands. The entire Royalty of the East will be joining us for our Yule celebration, and we are hosting Their Excellencies of Bergental. I ask everyone to pitch in to make the event a success, and our Barony a welcoming host.

Thank you all for everything you do.

Eloise, BBM

## Master William Blackfox Awards

Your Chronicler, Lady Johanna de Glastingburi, has received the East Kingdom Chronicler Honorable Mention for the Master William Blackfox Awards.

Fiber Festival photos by Lady Gwenllian ferch Llewelly, and Lady Johanna de Glastingburi

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# Archaeology News

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

**10/31/17 - X-RAYS REVEAL SKETCH OF MARY QUEEN OF SCOTS - LONDON, ENGLAND**—X-ray imaging has revealed a rare portrait of Mary Queen of Scots underneath a painting of a Scottish nobleman, according to a report in *The Independent*. The unfinished image is thought to have been started in 1586 by Dutch artist Adrian Vanson in Scotland, while Mary was a prisoner in England, and may have been abandoned when she was executed for her complicity in a plot to murder Queen Elizabeth I later that year. The sketch of Mary's face, hat, and neck were eventually covered with the image of Sir John Maitland, the Scottish king's Chancellor, in 1588. Part of Mary's dress was turned into his doublet, and her right hand was modified to form Maitland's right hand. "Now that we know from the X-ray images what was going on, it explains why the portrait of the Scottish Chancellor was so awkwardly painted," said Caroline Rae of the Courtauld Institute of Art. To read about similar work being done on ancient Roman frescoes in Herculaneum, go to "Putting on a New Face."

<http://www.independent.co.uk/news/science/archaeology/mary-queen-scots-image-discovery-hidden-painting-ghostly-face-portrait-a8022316.html>



**John Buchanan receiving recognition in court from Duchess Catherine Stanhope for being the highest scoring archer at the Rose Tournament**

*Photo by Lady Khazariyya*

## **Inside Out: Dress and Identity in the Middle Ages** **38th Annual Conference, Center for Medieval Studies**

Saturday, March 17 – Sunday, March 18, 2018

Fordham University, Lincoln Center Campus  
113 W. 60th St., New York, NY 10023

[https://www.fordham.edu/info/26756/inside\\_out\\_dress\\_and\\_identity\\_in\\_the\\_middle\\_ages](https://www.fordham.edu/info/26756/inside_out_dress_and_identity_in_the_middle_ages)

At least one SCAdian is presenting a paper here - on Byzantium dress.



**Fiber Festival Demo**



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**10/25/17 - NEW THOUGHTS ON ENGLAND'S MEDIEVAL LEPROSY EPIDEMIC -**

**CAMBRIDGE, ENGLAND**—Sarah Inskip of the University of Cambridge says that red squirrel pelts and meat traded by the Vikings of Denmark and Sweden could have introduced leprosy to southeastern England, according to a BBC News report. A strain of the incurable disease, which has also been found in medieval Scandinavian skeletons, was discovered in a medieval woman's skull dating to between A.D. 885 and 1015. The victim lived in the East of England, where squirrel products probably came into the country through the ports at Kings Lynn and Yarmouth. Inskip suggests the disease became endemic in the East of England earlier than in other parts of the country, requiring the construction of the island's first leper hospitals in the eleventh century A.D. To read more about the Viking Age in England, go to "Vengeance on the Vikings." <http://www.bbc.com/news/uk-england-cambridgeshire-41748336>

**10/24/17 - ASTROLABE RECOVERED FROM PORTUGUESE SHIPWRECK - COVENTRY, ENGLAND**

—According to a BBC News report, an astrolabe dating to between 1495 and 1500 has been recovered from a shipwreck in the Indian Ocean, off the coast of Oman. Mariners used such navigational instruments to measure the altitude of the sun. This astrolabe was recovered from the Esmeralda, part of a Portuguese fleet led by explorer Vasco da Gama, who was the first person to sail directly from Europe to India. Laser scanning of the instrument, conducted by researchers at the University of Warwick, revealed navigation markings. David Mearns of Blue Water Recovery said the instrument had to have been made before 1502, when the ship left Lisbon. It also bears a Portuguese coat of arms, and the personal emblem of Don Manuel I, who became King of Portugal in

1495. For more, go to "Is it Esmeralda?" <http://www.bbc.com/news/science-environment-41724022>

**10/17/17 - POSSIBLE MISSING JEWELRY BOX PIECE FOUND AT VIKING FORTRESS -KØGE, DENMARK**

—A small silver artifact has been uncovered at Borgring, a Viking fortress in eastern Denmark. According to a report in Science Nordic, the object resembles one of the three parts known to be missing from an elaborate box brooch discovered in a Viking woman's grave at the Fyrkat fortress in Hobro, which is located to the north of Borgring. "It will be incredible if this fitting is connected with the find from Fyrkat," said Jeanette Varberg of the Moesgaard Museum. "If this really is where it comes from then it's like finding a needle in the ocean." The woman in the grave at Fyrkat is thought to have been a high-status shaman or sorceress. Analysis of her "well-used and highly treasured" box suggests it held white lead, which appears to have been used as a sealant to waterproof the box. Perhaps she traveled between the two castles, which are both thought to have been built by Harald Bluetooth, who was king of Denmark between A.D. 958 and 987. Analysis of the metal could offer more information on the origins of the two pieces. For more, go to "Bluetooth's Fortress." <http://scienordenordic.com/tiny-ornament-may-have-belonged-harold-bluetooth%E2%80%99s-shaman>

**10/12/17 - ARABIC WORDS DETECTED IN VIKING SILK GARMENTS - UPPSALA, SWEDEN**

—According to a report in BBC News, textile archaeologist Annika Larsson of Uppsala University found Arabic words woven into tiny geometric designs on garments made from imported silk recovered from Viking graves in Birka and Gamla Uppsala more than 100 years ago.

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Larsson said she had not previously encountered designs similar to the ones embroidered on the garments in Sweden. "I couldn't quite make sense of them and then I remembered where I had seen similar designs—in Spain, on Moorish textiles," she recalled. Looking at the designs under magnification and at different angles, Larsson spotted the word "Ali," the name of the fourth caliph of Islam and cousin and son-in-law of the Prophet Muhammad, written in Arabic Kufic script, along with the word "Allah," written in mirrored lettering, in at least 10 of the 100 pieces of clothing she has examined. Islamic ideas of an afterlife may have influenced Viking-age burial customs, Larsson explained, though "the possibility that some of those in the graves were Muslim cannot be completely ruled out," she said. Scientists will now try to establish the origins of the people who were buried in the graves. To read about a gem engraved with the word "Allah" found in a Viking woman's grave, go to "One Ring to Bind Them." <http://www.bbc.com/news/world-europe-41567391>



**10/3/17 - NORSE MEETING PLACE INVESTIGATED IN SCOTLAND - THURSO, SCOTLAND**—A geophysical survey may have detected evidence of a medieval Norse parliament meeting place in the Scottish Highlands, according to a report from BBC News. The survey of Thing's Va Broch, which was carried out by researchers from the Orkney Research Center for Archaeology, the University of the Highlands and Islands Archaeology Institute, and the Caithness Broch Project, detected "faint features" that may relate to activity associated with the meetings. Thing's Va, which is the site of an Iron Age broch, or stone-built roundhouse, derives its name from "ting," the Norse word for meeting place. Archaeologists will undertake exploratory excavations this month to try

to learn more about the site. For more on archaeology in Scotland, go to "Neolithic Europe's Remote Heart." <http://www.bbc.com/news/uk-scotland-highlands-islands-41485948>

**10/2/17 - ARCHAEOLOGISTS INVESTIGATE SITE OF THE BATTLE OF GRUNWALD - GRUNWALD, POLAND**—Archaeologists and metal detectorists joined forces to look for traces of the Battle of Grunwald, fought on July 15, 1410, according to a report in Science & Scholarship in Poland. On that day, the Kingdom of Poland and the Grand Duchy of Lithuania defeated the German-Prussian Teutonic Knights in what is remembered as one of the largest battles in medieval Europe. Szymon Drej of the Battle of Grunwald Museum said the team recovered about 300 artifacts, including arrowheads, Prussian spearheads, and a seal bearing a Christian image of a pelican feeding blood to chicks in a nest. The seal, thought to be connected to a chapel that later stood on the battlefield, resembles one found in the courtyard of Malbork, a castle built by the Teutonic Knights in what is now northern Poland. After the battle, Polish and Lithuanian forces laid siege to the Malbork Castle in an attempt to crush Prussia. But the castle withstood the siege and the Teutonic Knights lost little territory in the Peace of Thorn of 1411. The researchers will continue to search the area for evidence of the battle. For more, go to "Off the Grid: Krakow, Poland." <http://scienceinpoland.pap.pl/en/news/news,459853,artefacts-found-at-grunwald-teutonic-seal-and-prussian-spearheads.html>





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## Congratulations to:

*Sir Gelleys Jaffrey  
who received the  
Order of the White Oak  
at Baronial Armored Combat Practice on  
October 24, 2017*

*Lord Maximillian Elgin, known as Max  
the Executioner, was elevated to the  
level of Master in the East Kingdom  
Brewer's Guild.*

*John Buchanan, our baronial archery  
champ, was the highest scoring archer  
at the Rose Tournament held in the  
Barony of Dragonship Haven.*



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