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BARONY WEBSITE

ADDRESS:

www.geocities.com/brendoken

LOCAL GROUP WEBSITE

ADDRESSES:

www.midrealm.org/gwyntarian

www.4th.com/sca/alderford

www.4th.com/sca/alderford

<http://middlemarches.ald.net/threetowers/>

Northern Oaken A&S goes baronial

Compiled from reports to the acting baronial chronicler

Failen ingen Tigernaig from Three Towers has put in a bid for Northern Oaken A&S to be hosted by the barony.

"The subject first came up at a baronial meeting in October," said Ailith Mackintosh, acting seneschal. "We've been discussing projects for the spring and summer, and this seemed to be a natural."

Originally, plans called for the event to be at Three Towers' winter meeting site, the Ohio State University/Mansfield branch. However, when the campus was unable to accommodate the wider needs of an arts and sciences event, the search for sites began.

Finally, Failen and her co-steward, Katarina Peregrine of Gwyntarian, settled on the First Church of God in Tallmadge, the spacious church that had recently hosted Gwyntarian's successful Make It or Break It event. Soon after the contract was signed, Their Majesties contacted the stewards to let them know that they will also be attending the event.

"There are a few things to be aware of with this site," said Katarina, who is working with the site on logistics and planning. "First of all, we aren't permitted to have alcohol on-site. Therefore, all the B&V entries will be judged at my home, which is less than 10 minutes from the site. We're planning for a crew of drivers to get entries and judges back and forth. Second, smoking is not permitted on the grounds." Violation of either of these strictures will result in ejection from the event, according to the stewards.

Although the event is primarily focused on the arts and sciences, the arts martial will not be forgotten. "The entire title of the event is Northern Oaken Arts and Sciences Fair and Military School", says Failen. "We realize that although most event attendees will come for the arts and sciences fair, there's room for those who enjoy fencing, heavy weapons and other combat forms too."

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Robert de Hwyl recovering

By Ailith Mackintosh, acting baronial seneschal

Our chronicler, Robert de Hwyl ap Flint Market, has been under the weather lately. He suffered another stroke just before the holidays. Because Robert's sole focus needs to be his recovery, I have asked Katarina Peregrine of Gwyntarian to temporarily return as our chronicler.

I know that all of you will, as I do, wish Robert a complete and speedy recovery. Email him using his legal name, Robert Waldbauer, at the Mansfield hospital at: <http://www.medcentral.org/patients.htm>

As some of you may know, we are bound by kingdom law to produce a newsletter on a quarterly basis. Until Robert has fully recovered, Katarina and I will be producing a newsletter so that we are in compliance with kingdom law.

—Ailith

Officer changeover headlines barony business for 2003

During our first baronial meeting in January, new officers will be announced.

Ailith Mackintosh, acting baronial seneschal, started the ball rolling last summer. "At the July swim party meeting, I announced that current officers needed to think about finding replacements by the end of the year. That may sound like a lot of time, but since we only meet once a month, that's not as much as you'd think. It goes quickly."

Offices due to turn over are: exchequer, knights marshal, arts and sciences minister, web minister and herald.

In addition, the barony will be adding the office of chatelaine in the new year. Ailith noted, "When I met with the kingdom seneschal to discuss our direction and restructuring earlier this year, she mentioned that she'd like to see us add the office. It's an important one at the baronial level, and one that will see a great deal of activity. One of the things our chatelaine can do is to help all of us as we get others in the region familiar with us as we work to become a barony. This office will, as much as my office and that of knights marshal, carry the reputation of our barony."

Alderford's Mary Henline has applied for the office, and will be formally presented as our new chatelaine at January's meeting, scheduled to be held in the Marche of the Thistle.

Long-time veteran Saradwen Ariandalen of Gwyntarian has said that she has discussed taking over the minister of arts and sciences office from Mistress Llyrwydyl Merewenna, who holds it currently. Saradwen has been A&S officer for Gwyntarian, and was A&S officer for Middle Marches when we began our baronial formation. She's been active in the A&S scene for over two decades, and is looking forward to serving our forming barony as



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A&S minister.

"I think a good person has volunteered for th job" said Master Patrick McPhelan, discussing the transition of the herald's office. Katarina Peregrine, another Gwyntarian resident, has volunteered for the herald's office, and will assume the office in January.

Failen ingen Tigernaig of Three Towers has applied to be the new exchequer, and her confirmation is expected soon.

The office of web minister is still open. Applicants for the position need to keep in mind that they must include a portfolio of their work to Lady Aileen Kennedy (brendoken@yahoo.com), the current web minister to be considered for the office. Proficiency in design and html are vital for this office.

Our knights marshal, Ragnar Ironhand, is discussing the change of office with Alexander of Hawkwood. Alexander was lately marshal for Marche of the Thistle, and is heavily involved in working with new fighters and marshals in the Oaken region. Other candidates who have applied are also being considered at press time.



First meeting of new year hosted by Thistle

Our January 26th meeting will be hosted by the Marche of the Thistle at the College of Wooster at Lowry Student Center in room 119 at 2 PM.

Agenda items will include: Northern Oaken A&S plans, officer transitions, and an event proposal from Master Patrick.

2003 Meeting Schedule

The Baronial Meeting Schedule for 2003 will also be posted on a page of the baronial website:
<http://www.geocities.com/brendoken/meetings.html>

The tentative schedule is as follows:

January—Thistle

February—Three Towers

March—Alderford

April—Gwyntarian

Seneschals, please start looking for sites and open dates in your areas, and work with Ailith to book sites so that a complete list of meetings can be posted soon!

Twelfth Night...a revel in the afternoon!

Mark your calendars now and get your sewing machines going! Brendoken's Twelfth Night celebration will be held at Rannou Campus Center (Walsh University), in the Marche of Alderford on...wait for it...January 12!

Scheduled from 2PM to 6PM, the revel features all the fun of a traditional Twelfth Night celebration, including dancing and food!

Catriona nicHugh Mclae of Alderford will start off the dancing, and promises to teach those whose steps may be a little rusty.

Coffee, tea, and punch will be provided, along with plates and table service. (In other words, you don't have to pack your feast gear!)

Congratulations are in order...

by Katarina Peregrine & Ailith Mackintosh

Congratulations to Mistress Llrywydyl Merewenna and Lord Ancel fitz Charles on the occasion of their recent wedding on November 2. The bride was radiant, the groom handsome and a royally wonderful time was had by all!

Congratulations to Faileen ingen Tigernaig on receiving her Purple Fret at Red Spear's baronial investiture held at Hrothgar's Fjord on December 7.

Congratulations to Emma Dutton of Witherly on receiving her Evergreen recently. It was given to her at Gwyntarian's Stan Hywet Hall Ohio Mart demo on October 6.

Many congratulations to our friends in and out of our region who received awards over the summer:

Northern Oaken War Maneuvers

Milica of Varna (Alderford): Purple Fret
Hugh the Silent (Alderford): Purple Fret
Francesca de Onorati (Alderford): Purple Fret

Melee in the Marche

Philem Liam MacIllhatton (Rivenvale): Purple Fret
Rebecca of Rivenvale (Rivenvale): Dragon's Treasure
Wulfwen atte Belle (Gwyntarian): Willow [cooking]
Katarina Peregrine (Gwyntarian): Willow [C&I]

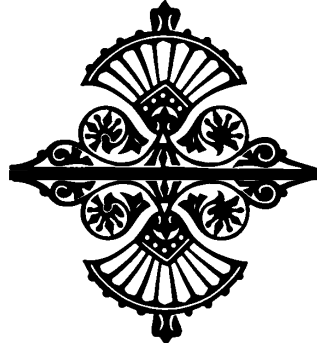
Pennsic War

Stefan Caughteraugh (late of Gwyntarian): Purple Fret
Iustinos Tekton (Alderford): Pelican
Gwynhyfar ferch Mabh/Chai u Sun (Gwyntarian): Pelican

Sure, we missed someone! So email Katarina (karenjohnson@neo.rr.com) or call her at 330-945-6773 and help us put your friends in the spotlight!

—Ailith

Attendees are asked to bring either a dessert or hors d'oeuvres that will serve 8 to 10 to share on the buffet. Call (or email) Ailith if you have any questions at 330-875-4081 (ailith@neo.rr.com).



Baronial residents owning period games are encouraged to bring them along to share too. (We know you have 'em, so let's see 'em!)

Directions and more details are on the Brendoken page under the Revel button.

Click on:

www.geocities.com/brendoken/yule.html.

Regional arts and sciences

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Giles fitz Alan, seneschal of Three Towers, will be coordinating all the class session planning for the entire event. If you'd like to teach a class, please contact him at cconrad6@columbus.rr.com.

Staff is still being built at this time. Other than the stewards, tentative staff members at this time are:

Failenn ingen Tigernaig, co-steward;
Failenntigernaig@columbus.rr.com

Katarina Peregrine, co-steward; karenjohnson@neo.rr.com

Wulfwen atte Belle, kitchen clean-up

Tetsuo Akira, site clean-up

Gatekeepers: Hugh the Silent and Og the Red

Class Stewards: Giles fitz Alan and Catriona nic Hugh Mclae

A&S Liaisons: Truffedino and Baronial MOAS (when decided)

Tally Room Steward: Meredith Drescher

Royal Liaisons: Ailith Macintosh and Patraic O' Dochartaigh

Lunch Steward: TBA

Feast Steward: Peter Engelke, advisors: Wulfwen, Giles, Frederick

Judges Lunch Steward: Francesca de Onorati

Head Servers: Patrick McPhelan and Milica of Varna

Head Herald: Hathewisse atte Mere

Merchant Stewards: Anne of Dragonhurst and Katarina Peregrine

Marshal in Charge: Alexander of Hawkwood

Chirurgeon: Iustinos Tekton called Justin

If you've been asked to serve on staff and haven't gotten around to responding yet, please do so as soon as possible--if they haven't heard from you, you may see your name above! There are no children's activities planned for this event.