

THE FLAMEBEARER

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Welcome!



You might have heard of us from a friend, found one of our videos on TikTok, stumbled upon us on Facebook, seen us at the local library, the Norman Medieval Fair, or any number of local demonstrations. Regardless of how you've found us, we're glad you are here!

The Barony of Wiesenfeuer is part of an international organization called the Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA). Our organization is dedicated to being an inclusive community pursuing the research and re-creation of pre-seventeenth century skills, arts, combat and culture from all over the world. The lives of participants are enriched as we gain knowledge of history through activities, demonstrations, and events.

The "arts and skills" of the pre-seventeenth centuries are far reaching in scope and depth. Arts include everything from making soap or butter, to making instruments, woodworking, illumination and much, much more. Anything that was made or done in this time frame is fair game. Skills include fighting, fencing, archery, thrown weapons, and all manner of games and talents played and practiced in over six hundred years of history.

The SCA is a hands-on participation-based way to learn about history. Hit your (armored) friends with rattan sticks, fence like a musketeer or pirate, or learn to shoot a bow like Robin Hood. Try any number of arts and crafts from people that have developed skills and techniques for making and doing things the way they were done centuries ago. Beyond the competitions and projects, the royalty and ceremonies, the SCA is all about having fun. The SCA is a great place to meet people with similar interests, make new friends, and be involved. So come out to an event, go to a meeting, or visit our website to learn more at <https://ansteorra.org/wiesenfeuer/>. Want to talk to someone? Email our hospitaler at hospitaler@wiesenfeuer.ansteorra.org

Welcome to Wiesenfeuer!

"Only Honor Can Withstand the Flame"

A Word from Their Excellencies



reetings Wiesenfeuer,

December was a great month for events. Winter Coronet hosted by Adlersruhe was a wonderful time that even included a bit of snowfall during the morning. Congratulations to our new Prince and Princess of Vindheim, Romanus II and Deanna II.

Yule Revel was amazing with 230+ people in attendance and we can't thank everyone enough for all of the hard work you all put into making the event be successful. The Toy Tournament was also a giant success with almost 400 toys donated with Eldern Hills securing the Banner for the next year.

The planning for our Baronial event in April is underway. Look for more information about how you can help to be posted soon. Planning meetings will be starting soon as well as some discussions on what the various jobs are responsible for making happen. Volunteering is a wonderful way to meet some new people.

Gulf Wars, March 9th to 17th, is going to be here sooner than expected. If you are planning on attending; start your projects now (time is limited as always), and don't forget to check your camping gear, armor, weapons, or anything else you might need for a week of camping in questionable weather. Also, be on the lookout for preregistration links and camp sign ups, they should start showing up on Facebook and discord within the next month. We are going to be reaching out to Namron to see about camping with them again this year.

Demos and recruiting for the 2024 year, has been something we've been discussing with the Wiesenfeuer Officers. If you have ideas or opinions on the subjects please let our wonderful Seneschal or ourselves know. There are a lot of Medieval and Renaissance fairs popping up and we would like to try to plan how best to spend the energy we have.

And, don't forget to send in award recommendations or notes to us about people doing awesome things out there.

Our itinerary for December includes:

Jan 6th - Steppes 12th night, hosted by Steppes (Baroness)

Jan 20th - Winter Round Table, Virtual Event (both)

Jan 27th - Winterkingdom, hosted by Northkeep (both)

New Champions:

Bardic - Jael Magnasdottir

Arts & Science - Vincenti da Murano

Youth Bardic - Losinetta Villeta

Winners from Yule competitions:

Toy Tournament - Eldern Hills

Toy Tournament Chivalric - JP

Toy Tournament Rapier - Cornelius

Toy Tournament Thrown Weapons - John York and Aillenn

Chess Tournament - JP

Largess Tournament - Estrill Swet

Cookie Contest: Squee, Aubrey, and Jelena

Spear-it Tournament - Perrin

Awards from Yule:

Rosalie Clare d' Avignon - Sable Thistle for Silk Banner Painting & Flint and Steel of Wiesenfeuer

Aindriú Hay - Award of Arms & Flint of Steel of Wiesenfeuer

Gunnar Bjornulfson - Golden Beacon of Wiesenfeuer

Aubrey Ericsdatter - Flame de Orleans of Wiesenfeuer

Matteo de Genua - Flame de Orleans of Wiesenfeuer

In Service,

HC Isaac Bane & HC Eadwyn seo Gathyrde

Baron & Baroness of Wiesenfeuer

Principality of Vindheim

Kingdom of Ansteorra



Officer Reports

SENESCHAL

Greetings unto the Barony of Wiesenfeuer and Happy New Year,

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season. Yule was absolutely amazing! Thank you to all those who helped to make the event such a success.

Populace for the month of January will be on the 8th at the Edmond Library.

I am pleased to announce our new Rapier Marshal is Lady Irina Volkova. Thank you to HL Darian de Shameless for serving in the interim.

We still have officer positions open for Archery Marshal, Youth Chivalric Marshal, and Youth Rapier Marshal, so if an officer position sounds interesting or fun, apply on the Kingdom website, or feel free to reach out to that Officer and ask how you can help or be a deputy to start learning the ropes!

Reminder to Officers, Round Table is on the 20th online. Please plan to attend your respective meetings and classes.

We are still accepting Tavern Bids for Baronial held in April. If you are interested, please send Their Excellencies and I an email.

If you ever have any questions or concerns about anything, please reach out to me. I am on Facebook and my phone number is published in this newsletter.

In Service,

Lady Lyra

Wiesenfeuer Seneschal (President)



CHRONICLER

Greetings everyone!

My name is Gwenyvere Rose Foxe and I'm Wiesenfeuer's Chronicler. I generate the monthly newsletter and try to incorporate as much information as possible to help newcomers and the community.

Some new things are coming to the newsletter in future months that are in the works now, so be sure to keep an eye out!

Please send submissions to the newsletter via the chronicler email. I accept a wide variety of submissions, from art to photos, A&S projects, to recipes and song lyrics. I also accept articles and informationals as well as achievements. There's also a bulletin board so if you would like to advertise a skill or something else, please send me an ad to showcase! (but please let me know if you need anything changed or removed.) If you are the leader or member of a guild, there's a section to talk about your guild too! If you have any questions, please email me.

I try to publish newsletters on the 1st of each month. So please make sure submissions are in before the 28th of each month (or the 25th for February), exceptions are okay if you talk with me first, otherwise it will be used in the following month's newsletter.

Also, I'm looking for a deputy to help me track down photos of events as well as event descriptions and signed releases. If you are interested, please send me an email.

Thanks everyone!

Yours in Service,

Lady Gwenyvere Rose Foxe
Chronicler of Wiesenfeuer
Chronicler@wiesenfeuer.ansteorra.org



HERALD (CANDELAIO)

Good day, Wiesenfeuer!

Well! We certainly had an eventful Yule, didn't we?

First of all, I'd like to thank everyone who submitted award recommendations for Yule. Their Excellencies, thought their gazes are wise and just, cannot have eyes everywhere at once, and it is with your help that they're able to give those deserving the recognition and celebration of an award.

That being said, let's give another hearty huzzah for our new award holders!

Aindriú Hay, for his Flint and Steel and Award of Arms;
Rosalie Clare d'Avignon, for her Flint and Steel and Sable Thistle in Silk Banner Painting;
Gunnarr Bjornulfson , for his Golden Beacon;
Aubrey Ericsdatter, for her Flame de Orleans;
and Matteo de Genua, for his Flame de Orleans

Huzzah!!

We do still have Baronial coming up in April, so if you see something spectacular, make sure to let Their Excellencies know.

In Service,

Lady Guinevere Lywellyn

Candelaio Herald

&

Lord Klauss Luinstra van Wiesenfeuer

Deputy Baronial Herald



MINISTER OF ARTS & SCIENCES

Greetings!

Everything is arts and sciences! Every month we have several in-person classes and we always have a great time chatting and working on projects and learning something new.

This month we will be starting a two part nalbinding class. First is Jan 25th and the 2nd will be Feb 29th. Everyone is always welcome. Check out facebook and the calendar for more information.

If you have any classes that you would like to see, let us know and we will work on getting them scheduled. You are also welcome to create your own events if you don't want to wait.

Always keep an eye on the Wiesenfeuer and the Wiesenfeuer Arts & Sciences Facebook pages for more details and announcements.

At Your Service,

Lord Cat Cat Cathart

Minister of A&S, Barony of Wiesenfeuer

&

Lady Etienett de Bitche

Deputy A&S Minister



HOSPITALER

Good day and a wonderful winter to all of you! This is your friendly neighborhood Hospitaler here to bid you grand tidings and warm regards!

I'm happy to inform you, dear reader, that we were able to provide permanent garb for multiple families at Wiesenfeuer Yule, and our various practices are seeing an influx of newcomers and hopeful participants! It is absolutely marvelous to see our community coming together to make it better and better with each passing day. This Barony is truly a marvelous place, and we have many bright days ahead!

With the new year dawning, remember to seize the day and find your joy! If I am able to provide service as your Hospitaler, feel free to reach out to my listed channels.

Happy New Year!

Thrice Welcome

Here you are,
All my friends,
From the start,
With no end,
New and old,
Matters not,
Tales are told,
Hearts aloft,

Once are ye welcome,
To lift up your voice,
Twice are ye welcome,
To shout - MAKE SOME NOISE,
Trice are ye welcome,
Let's share in our joy,
Once, Twice, Three times are nice
Be ye welcome!
Welcome tonight!

Lord Klauss Luinstra
Hospitaler of the Barony of Wiesenfeuer



WEB MINISTER

Greetings Wiesenfeuer!

My name is Aindriú and I'm the webminister. If you need any changes to the website, please send me an email or come see me!

With Joy in Service,

Aindriú Hay

Webminister of Wiesenfeuer



TREASURER

Bonjour Wonderful Populace!

Yule was a smashing success. We had over 200 people in attendance and feast sold out before 11am! A huge shout out to Ian for taking charge and to everyone who made feast happen! Income from Yule will be available next month. So currently, the Baronial Checking account has \$11,744.19 in total. There is \$9,468.92 in the general fund, \$1,293.95 in the Baronial Shed Fund, and \$324.94 in reserve for Myrgenfeld. We had a great year and cannot wait to see what 2024 brings!

Yours in service,

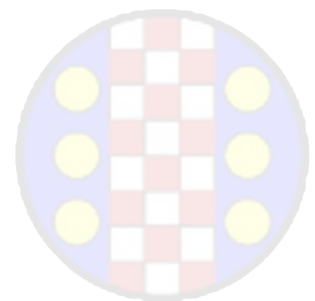
Lady Rosalie Clare d'Avignon

Treasurer of Wiesenfeuer

&

Lady Astrid die Verlorne, Lady Sainte de Bois

Deputy Exchequers



SOCIAL MEDIA OFFICER

Greetings from your friendly baronial Social Media Officer!

My name is Lady Torianna Thornhill and I am the social media officer for Wiesenfueur! What does the social media office do? They make sure that the barony has a place to communicate, like Facebook or Discord, and has cool content for platforms like Instagram or TikTok. If you have any ideas or questions relating to social media, I'm your person!

I am always happy to feature pictures and videos taken by members of the populace. If you go to a practice, class or event and get some videos or pictures you'd like to share, please let me know! I like taking pictures and videos, but I LOVE featuring the work of our amazing populace. If you are willing to share, please contact me via email or other social media. As always, if you have any questions I am happy to help!

With Joy In Service,

Lady Torianna Thornhill
Social Media Officer



MINISTER OF CHILDREN

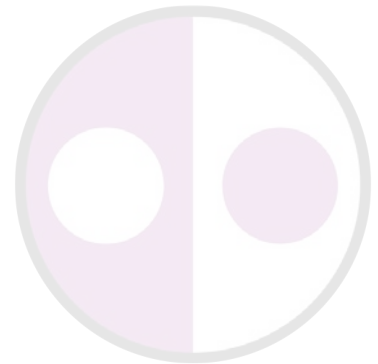
Greetings!

I hope everyone's Yuletide was as awesome as mine! I know the children had a blast at Yule this year and I'm glad to see that some of my Big Kids that have technically aged out still want to come and play. That being said, I am going to start challenging those Big Kids to start teaching classes in the future! If you fall in that category, please have your parental units contact me, I would love to help you teach a class!

Speaking of classes, I will be teaching several 12 and up classes at WinterKingdom this month. Keep an eye out for the schedule!

In service to the children,

HL Liadan Patrín-Or
Wiesenfeuer Minister of Children



THROWN WEAPONS MARSHAL

Greetings to the great and wonderful gentles of Wiesenfeuer!

As the sun starts to fade earlier and the summer heat makes way for the coolness of fall so too must the hours for Thrown Weapons Practice change. We are still practicing on Sundays under our winter hours from 2 PM-4 PM, throwing all of the sharp and pointy things. As always, we love seeing members of our great populace out at practice and we especially look forward to helping new gentles as they learn the fun and excitement of throwing all the things. We are always keeping our eyes to the sky just in case the weather frowns upon the greatest of throwing days;
SUNDAY.

We look forward to seeing everyone at the range, 5102 Woodhollow Rd. in OKC, OK.

In service,

Lord Ian Thornhill Chisholm
Wiesenfeuer Thrown Weapons Marshal



ARCHERY MARSHAL

This office is now open for applications. Please see the Officer Openings section for more information on applying.

Archery Practice is held from 3-5pm at 5102 Wood Hollow Road in OKC every Sunday that weather permits. On the occasion that a cancellation occurs, we typically have a get together at a local restaurant or someone's home.

We welcome all interested parties to join us regardless of skill or knowledge level. We maintain a supply of loaner equipment for this purpose.



RAPIER MARSHAL

Greetings Wonderful Barony!

Adult Rapier combined practice with Namron is Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm at the Southern Oaks Recreation Center located at 6818 S Walker Ave, Oklahoma City, OK 73109, (405) 297-1449.

Please note: There is a \$2.00 cost at time of sign in for all those attending.

Loaner gear is available, but fighters are required to wear full-length clothes (shirts, pants, or equivalent) unless you are authorized for the least armor experiment. Male groin protection is also required for male practitioners.

I will post to the Barony of Wiesenfeuer Facebook page if there is a change in practice. This is an Indoor practice location.

Useful site for rapier questions: <https://ansteorra.org/martial-rapier/>

Yours in Service,

Lady Irina Volkova
Rapier Marshal of Wiesenfeuer



KNIGHT MARSHAL

Greetings Fighters of Wiesenfeuer!

My name is Gunnarr! If you are interested in Chivalric/Heavy Fighting, I'm your local Wiesenfeuer Knight Marshal. Please let me know if you have any questions or have any interest in Chivalric.

We have a weekly combined fighter practice with the Barony of Namron (location posted on fb or discord). If you don't have armor or weapons, we do have some loaner gear available. You will just need to bring your own groin protection.

We also hold armoring days as needed. Please reach out to me for further information.

Not a fighter and still want to come out and support your local fighting community? There are plenty of things you can help with. If you would like to try out, list Heralding, Water Bearing, Marshal, Bring something you are working on, or even just come and hang out. We would love to see your face!

Thank you,

Lord Gunnarr Bjornulfsson
Knight Marshal of Wiesenfeuer



Officer Openings

One of the best ways to participate in the SCA and help the Barony is to be, or assist, a barony officer. This gives anyone the chance to learn more about the SCA and meet new people. Below are the most recent list of openings. If you would like to apply, please apply online at Ansteorra.org/wiesenfeuer/our-officers or see the Wiesenfeuer Seneschal. *Officers must be 18 years or older and maintain current SCA Blue Card membership for the entirety of their held position.*

SUMMARY OF BARONY OFFICER OPENINGS:

Archery Marshal

Organize and run the Barony's archery practices and activities.

Youth Chivalric Marshal

Organize and run the Barony's youth heavy combat practices and activities.

Youth Rapier Marshal

Organize and run the Barony's youth rapier practices and activities.

Equestrian Marshal

Organize and run the Barony's horseback practices and activities.

Siege Marshal

Organize and run the Barony's seige practices and activities

The office of the Archery Marshal is now open for applications. If you love archery and marshaling, consider putting in an application for this office.

Requirements of being an Archery Marshal:

- Maintain a paid SCA membership
- Attend Officer and Populace meetings
- Check email regularly
- Become and maintain authorization as an Archery Marshal
- Maintain the targets and loaner equipment
- Hold practice on a regular basis
- Ensure the safety of the range
- Submit monthly reports
- Monthly submissions to the Chronicler for the newsletter

Please note that applicants must be 18+ years old, have and be able to maintain a membership, be able to attend monthly Populace meetings, monthly Officer meetings, and Baronial events. As well as check and respond to their Officer email account, and send in monthly submissions to the Chronicler for the Baronial newsletter.

Here is a link to apply for open officer positions.

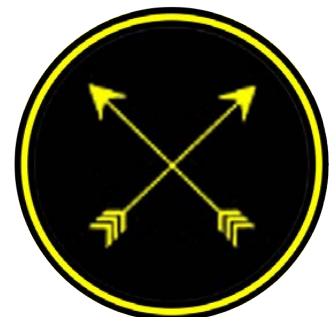
<https://ansteorra.org/seneschal/apply-for-an-office/>

Send the applications to:

- baron@wiesenfeuer.ansteorra.org
- baroness@wiesenfeuer.ansteorra.org
- seneschal@wiesenfeuer.ansteorra.org
- vindheim@marshal.ansteorra.org
- coronet@vindheim.ansteorra.org

Send proof of membership to:

oac@seneschal.ansteorra.org.



Deputy Openings

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BARONY DEPUTY OPENINGS:

Deputy positions require a blue card membership and only need apply through the corresponding Baronial Officer.

Deputy Chronicler

Historian - Deputy to the Chronicler

Deputy Archery Marshal

Deputy Social Media Officer

Deputy Web Minister

Deputy Minister of Children

Deputy Rapier Marshal

Deputy Thrown Weapons Marshal

Deputy Hospitaler

Deputy Knight Marshal

Our Canton of Myrgenfeld

THE CANTON OF MYRGENFELD



“Lift High the Cup of Friendship”

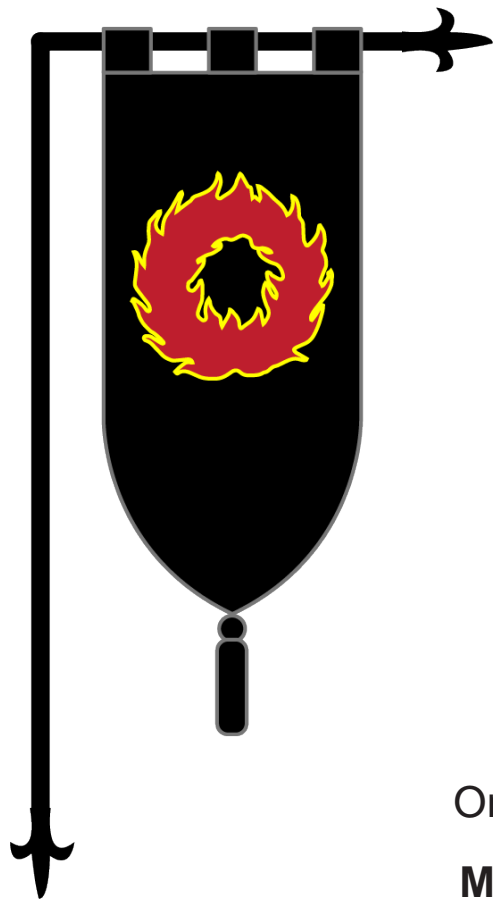
Canton.myrgenfeld.ansteorra.org

Contact Seneschal for meeting information
at: seneschal@myrgenfeld.ansteorra.org

As was announced at Coronet in July 2023, the Canton of Myrgenfeld is now in hiatus for 2 years. They can become active at any time that there are enough active officers and populace. The Kingdom Seneschal will check in on them every 6 months. Thank you to Aubrey Ericssdatter, and to the populace of Myrgenfeld for everything you have done for Myrgenfeld.

-Lady Lyra, Seneschal of Wiesenfeuer

Our Baronial Champions!



Chivalric:
Michael na Tuiaghe

Rapier:
Saevarr Mani

Archery:
Isaac Bane

Arts & Sciences:
Vincenti da Murano

Bardic:
Jael Magnadottir

Thrown Weapons:
Orakar Luthar von Holstein

Middle Eastern Dancing:
Arabella

Middle Eastern Drumming:
Dominique Michelle le Vasseur



YOUTH CHAMPIONS!

Chivalric:
Victor of Northkeep

Rapier:
Patrick Isaacson

Youth Bardic:
Losinetta Villeta



Wiesenseuer Dule Winners



NEW CHAMPIONS:

Bardic - Jael Magnasdottir
Arts & Science - Vincenti da Murano
Youth Bardic - Losinetta Villeta

TOY TOURNAMENTS:

Toy Tournament - Eldern Hills
Chivalric - Jean Paul de Sens
Rapier - Cornelius Meriläinen
Thrown Weapons - Johnathan of York &
Aillenn Bean Ui Maille

OTHER COMPETITIONS:

Chess Tournament - Jean Paul de Sens
Largess Tournament - Estrill Swet
Spear-it Tournament - Perrin de Beaujeu

Cookie Contest:

Squee TheGreen - Youth
Aubrey Ericsdattir - Presentation
Jelena al Ma'an - Taste

Wiesenfeuer Guilds



FIRESTORM INK SCRIBAL GUILD

Firestorm Ink is the scribal guild for the baronies of Namron and Wiesenfeuer. We are a group of people, in the Norman and Oklahoma City Metro area, that meet weekly to learn and practice the various skills that went into making medieval manuscripts, such as calligraphy, painting, gilding, making paints from pigments, and book binding.

Most of the art we produce is used to recognize the achievements of our fellow members across Ansteorra (Texas and Oklahoma). We create both completely original pieces and also have preprinted sheets ready to be painted. Supplies are generally available to help people get started.

We meet in person the first Tuesday of each month at the Natural Grocers at SW 89th and Penn in Oklahoma City. The other Tuesdays we meet virtually via google meet. Everyone is welcome to attend our meetings, you don't have to be interested in our activities to hang out. The link to the google meet meeting is posted 30 to 60 minutes before the start of the meeting on Facebook and Discord. If you would like a link to the meeting sent to you please contact Isaac Bane at isaacbane (at) gmail.com. Please put "Firestorm Ink Meeting Link request" in the Subject line of the email.



WIESENFEUER HERBAL GUILD

The Myrgenfeld / Wiesenfeuer Herbal Guild meets to discuss herbalism in the Middle Ages and modern adaptations.

Each month has a different topic focusing on one of the many different herbs or one of the many different ways herbalism can be used.

The Myrgenfeld Wiesenfeuer Herbal Guild is currently in Hiatus until February.



WIESENFEUER PRINTER'S GUILD

Welcome to the Wiesenfeuer 3d printer's guild! All are welcome to come learn about 3d printing, be it resin or filament, and how it can help the barony or be applied to SCA and period items and techniques. We will have monthly virtual meetings starting in February to hang out, learn, troubleshoot, and chat about printers and projects.

You can find us on Facebook under the group name "Wiesenfeuer 3D Printer's Guild". This is a safe space to share, learn, and help each other with 3D printing.

Wiesenseuer Guilds

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WIESENFEUER BREWER'S GUILD

The Wiesenseuer Brewer's Guild is, as the name indicates, a collection of individuals who enjoy home brewing and partaking in said homebrew. Although we don't have a specific type that we focus on, I do intend to start looking into doing more SCA Period styles/beverages over time.

As of now, I am NOT planning a Guild Meeting, as I am in the process of buying a house and moving. However, should someone else be willing to host, I'm willing to put a meeting/brew day together.

Signore Matteo Balestriari de Genua
Guild Brewmaster



WIESENFEUER FIBER GUILD

Are you interested in all things fiber? Anything from where silk comes from and raising silk moths, spinning your own yarn, weaving of any sort, sewing and so much more. Have you ever wondered where linen comes from or how to dye your own cloth? This group is here to explore all things fiber, come join us as we explore, if there is something that you are interested in, please make a suggestion. Our group can be found on Facebook.



WOODWORKER'S GUILD

The Woodworkers' Guild is where people interested in learning more about the pre-renaissance traditions of woodworking come to learn and build things. Meetings are open to anyone, and free of charge. All tools are provided by the host unless talked about ahead of time. We typically don't wear garb, but definitely come ready to possibly work up a sweat and get saw dust on you.

For meeting times and locations, reach out to us on the Baronial Facebook group "The Woodworker's Guild of Wiesenseuer", or contact the GuildHead, Ivo Blackhawk on discord (Pikeman#7247), Facebook (Cisco Cividanes), or email (engtrktwo@gmail.com).



FIRESTORM PASSION GUILD

This is a guild of Middle Eastern musicians and dancers from the Baronies of Wiesenseuer and Namron. People from outside of those baronies are welcome to join. This guild meets twice a month on the first and fourth Tuesdays of the month. Week 2 is music class and week 4 is dancing class. We invite any and all to join and learn with us!

Meetings & Practices

MEETINGS

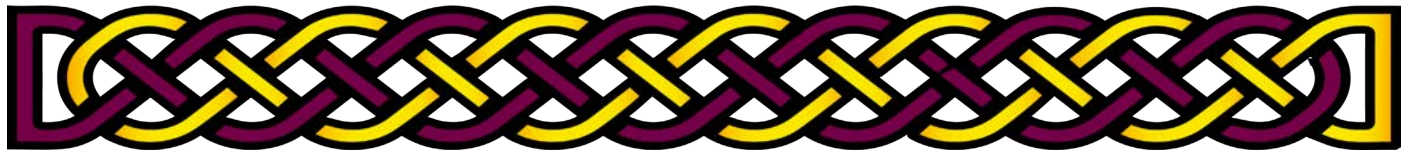
Wiesenfeuer Populace Meeting
The populace meeting is In-Person on the first non-holiday Monday of each month.
Social 6:30 PM | Starts 7 PM
Will be announced on Facebook & Discord

Wiesenfeuer Virtual **Officer Meeting**
This is the monthly officers meeting held virtually to discuss business on the last Monday of each month.
Any & all welcome.
Starts 7-8 PM
Please mute your mic when not talking

Firestorm Ink Scribal Guild
The virtual weekly guild meeting of the Scribal Guild for Wiesenfeuer and Namron.
Virtual Tuesdays 7 PM
1st Tuesday In-Person 7 PM
Natural Grocer's on SW 89th & Penn

Firestorm Passion Guild
The guild meetings of the middle eastern dance, drumming, and musical instruments guild for Wiesenfeuer and Namron.
1st Tuesday- Middle Eastern Dance
2nd Tuesday- Drumming & Instruments
Locations vary so check the guild group on Facebook for new events and information!

Virtual Arts & Sciences
Bi-weekly A&S Meeting held virtually at 7pm.
Check Facebook group & Discord for dates and links.



PRACTICES

Rapier

Wednesdays 7-8:45 PM
Youth Practice starts at 6 PM
Southern Oaks Recreation

6818 S Walker Ave, Oklahoma City, OK 73109.

**There is a \$2.00 cost at time of sign in for all those attending.
Wear long sleeves, long pants, and closed toed shoes.**

Missile: Archery & Thrown Weapons

Sundays 2-5 PM (Winter)
Sundays 5-7 PM (Summer)
5102 Woodhollow Rd, OKC

**Wear closed toed shoes.
Loaner gear and equipment is available upon request.**

Chivalric

Wednesday Evenings 6:30-9:00PM
Location will be announced on Facebook and Discord.

Wear long pants, long sleeves, and closed toed shoes.

Advanced Fighter Practice
First Sunday every month 10am-2pm
See Facebook Group for location.

Wear long pants, long sleeves, and closed toed shoes.



Upcoming Classes & Events

JANUARY 2024:

Steppes 12th Night
Saturday January 6th
Saint Luke's Lutheran Church

Winter Ansteorra Crown Tournament
Saturday January 13th
Pedigo Ball Park
Livingston, TX

Wiesenfeuer Pavillion Painting Work Day
Saturday January 13th
Muirenn's Shop

A&S - Project Day
Friday January 19th
Cat Fox Den - Cat Cat & Gwen Gwen's House

Winter Round Table
Saturday January 20th
Virtual / Online

A&S Class - Nalbinding! Taught by HE, Eadwyn
Thursday January 25th
Location TBA

Northkeep Winterkingdom
Saturday January 27th
St Stephen's United Methodist Church,
Broken Arrow, OK



FEBRUARY:

A&S Class - Garb Day! Hosted by Tatiana
Date & Location TBA

Bryn Gwlad's Candlemas
Saturday February 3rd
TBA

Marata's Midwinter Melees
Saturday February 3rd
Noble County Fairgrounds, Perry, OK

Ansteorra's Laurel's Prize Tournament
Saturday February 10th
TBA

Battle of the Pines
Saturday February 17
Lake Murvaul Park, Carthage, TX

Ansteorran Southern'ish Heraldic Retreat
Saturday February 17th - Sunday February 18th
TBA

Bjornsborg Battle of the Beasts
Friday February 23 - Sunday February 25th
Rockpointe Liberty Hill Campus, Liberty Hill, TX

Raven's Fort Viking Raids
Friday February 23 - Sunday February 25th
Stones of Raven's Fort

A&S Class - Nalbinding! Taught by HE, Eadwyn
Thursday February 29th
Location TBA

What's Been Happening?

CROSSBOW MAKING CLASS Pt 2

Part 2 of the crossbow making class went off without a hitch! Many people showed up to work on making crossbows at various stages. Everyone was excited to learn! Isaac Bane and Ian Thornhill were more than happy to teach! Also, a little squirrel told me that there will be more classes soon!



Crossbow Making Class pt 2. Photo by Gwenyvere Rose Foxe.

VINDHEIM'S WINTER CORONET

Vindheim's Winter Coronet Tournament was hosted by the Shire of Aldersruhe! It was a marvelous event with many fighters who turned out to throw their helmet in the ring for the chance to be the next prince or princess! As the fighters squared off throughout the day, only one, along with their consort, were named champion. The new Prince and Princess of Vindheim was Prince Romanus Vindheimus Vesperianus and Princess Deanna della Penna!



Vindheim Winter Coronet. Photo by Zubdeyah.

WIESENFEUER POPULACE MEETING



Wiesenfeuer Populace Meeting. Photo by Gwenyvere Rose Foxe.

Wiesenfeuer's December Populace Meeting was wonderful! So many among the populace came out to hear the words of Wiesenfeuer's landed nobles and officers. Please join us for our Barony's populace meetings, which happens on the first monday of each month, usually at a library! To check on locations, check Facebook/Discord.

WIESENFEUER YULE REVEL

Wiesenfeuer Yule was a lively, active event with a great number of competitions and activities across the spectrum. Not only were our Bardic and Arts and Sciences championships held, but there was also our Vindheim Bake-Off, the Largess Derby, a Chess Tournament, and the return of our yearly Toys for Tots Tournament and the Spear-It of Yule! And while Yule was quite bustling, there were still many great opportunities to rest and relax with our fellows, and simply revel in the holiday cheer.



B&B Tea and Cocoa. Photo by Cat Cat Cathart.

The opening court of our Excellencies started us off with a rousing couple of scavenger hunts – one a challenge from Godfrey of Del, and the other a search for our dear Weasleton, who had gone mysteriously missing and usurped by one particularly naughty squirrel! The children searched high and low, following the clues of our Autocrats – the Ladies Muirenn, Phillippa, and Toriana. Thankfully, they were able to find Weasleton by evening court and return him to his rightful seat beside our Baron and Baroness!



Silent Auction. Photo by Zubeydah.

And if anyone noticed, our Weasleton, Baroness Eadwyn, and indeed many of our Populace were sporting the bright rainbow colors of pride, support, and allyship. The Fool Around and Find Out Garb Challenge group put out a challenge for people to wear their pride colors at this holiday season's SCA events, and we were graced with many a lovely display – particularly our neighboring Hershikona Kolfina's Progressive Pride dress, which she managed to finish just in time for Yule.



Rapier Field. Photo by Cat Cat Cathart.

The air was chilly and brisk outdoors, but the joy and laughter on the list fields more than warmed the hearts of those watching and participating in the Toy Tourney. Despite some early confusion as to who the List Ministers were going to be, our combatants organized themselves for a rousing bear pit on the chivalric field, where Duke Jean Paul outlasted them all to come out as the Chivalric Champion, and an elimination tournament filled with bets and s henanigans on the rapier field, on which Don Cornelius emerged victorious as Rapier

Champion. Over on the thrown weapons field many a laugh was had, but none had so sharp an aim John York and Aillenn Bean Ui Maille, who actually ended their competition in a tie. And His

Excellency Perrin showed spirit as sharp as his spear-tip in winning the field of the Spear-it of Yule Tournament!

Inside, the excitement was not to be beat. So many delicious baked goods were brought in for the bake off that three awards had to be given out rather than one! Dear Squee had the youth vote as the best young baker, while Aubrey Ericsdatter dazzled us in the presentation category and Jelena al Ma'an took the cake in taste. We also had a bounty of largess, but no one brought in as much as HL Estrill Swet, who came to us all the way from Mooneschadowe to share her skills.

Their Excellencies Issac and Eadwyn were thrilled to see the wonderful entries from our Arts and Sciences competition. Everyone was so enthusiastic, but Vincenti da Murano stood head and shoulders above the rest with his wood engraving. Not only did he make his own engraving tools, but he used them to engrave a horizontally cut tree trunk with a number of scampering, capering weasels. Unfortunately, we were left without a Youth champion, as there weren't any entrants this year, but with the number of craft projects put on by our Minister of Children perhaps we can find some budding talent in the coming year! From paper beads and stained glass to self-made bird feeders, anything the children made this Yule could be inspiration for next year's challenge.



Wiesenfeuer Court. Photo by Gwennyvere Rose Foxe.

Similarly, Their Excellencies were stunned by the heavenly and hilarious choruses in the Bardic competition. While many of the entrants touched our hearts and left us in stitches, none more than Jael Magnidottir out of the Eldern Hills. They recited a very colorful sing-song like poem of a Viking raid with Santa, all done in a pirate accent so good dear Klaus fell out of his chair laughing. Of the youth that came forward to sing and tell stories with us this Yule, it was Losinetta Villeta who stood out the best. I imagine she was quite surprised to be called up in evening court for Snickers shenanigans, and walk away with the Youth championship.



Newcomers welcomed in court. Photo by Zubeyah.

If something a little calmer was your order of the day, then perhaps you were able to hang out in the Scribal corridor, or avail yourself of the newly opened Sanctuary. A lot of people were able to take a moment to rest and recharge in the relaxing atmosphere the Sanctuary provided, so we hope to see them at more events in the future. The Baron and Baroness were able to host a lovely tea to chat with the Populace after Father Winter sat and took pictures with the children. And if you were to swing into the library after lunch, you might have watched a rousing chess tournament, culminating in the victory of Duke Jean Paul.

Finally, we were able to welcome our new champions and the new holders of baronial awards in evening court before feast. Aindriú Hay and Rosalie Clare d'Avignon, who were called

at the midday court by their Serene Highnesses to receive their Award of Arms and Sable Thistle in Silk Banner Painting, respectively, were also called up to receive their Flint and Steels for their services to Wiesenfeuer this year. Indeed, Rosalie's banners decorated the halls of Yule that very day! And both have been active in helping at demos all that goes on behind the scenes to make



Wiesenfeuer Yule Court. Photo by Cat Cat Cathart.

events a success. Gunnarr Bjornulfson received his Golden Beacon, for his dedication as our Chivalric Marshal. He's been hard at work organizing Wiesenfeuer's chivalric fighters into a full-fledged company, and he organized the return of the chess tournament as well. And then we also welcomed our new holders of the Flame de Orleans, Aubrey Ericsdatter for all of her work, research, and service in the art of historical cooking, and Matteo de Genua for his passionate construction of all things that make missiles fly.

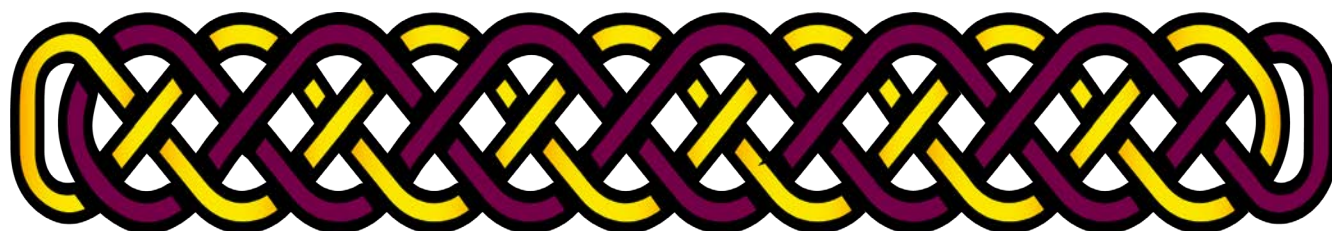
As for the Toys for Tots Tournament, we received 397 donations. The box was already full by 9:15 in the morning, and was overflowing well before the drop-off period ended at 2:00. And shocking us all, the overall winner of the Toy Tourney for the total number of donations was not Wiesenfeuer OR Namron, who have passed the Toy Tourney banner between themselves for years beyond counting, but the Barony of Eldern Hills! As the new holders of the Toy Tourney banner, we look forward to seeing them organize the tournament next year.

We closed out Yule with a grand Indian feast. Unfortunately, the original Feastocrats came down with The Plague merely a week out from Yule and were unable to attend, but Ian Thornhill of the Knotty Squirrel Tavern came to the rescue and valiantly took up the charge of completing the feast. A massive thanks to all of our cooks and servers for presenting a delightful end to such a spectacular day!

Authored by Guinevere Llywelyn



Chess Tournament Winner with Trophy. Photo by Zubeyah.



Populace Celebrations!



HL CERA INGEN FHAELAIN:

HL Cera recieved a Key of Keys of Vindheim award at Vindheim's Winter Coronet Tournament!

HE ISAAC BANE:

HE Isaac recieved a Key of Keys of Vindheim award at Vindheim's Winter Coronet Tournament!

HL DARIAN DE SHAMELESS:

HL Darian recieved a Key of Vindheim award at Vindheim's Winter Coronet Tournament!

HE EADWYN SEO GATHYRDE:

HE Eadwyn recieved a Key of Vindheim award at Vindheim's Winter Coronet Tournament!

LADY SAINTE DU BOIS:

Lady Sainte recieved a Key of Vindheim award at Vindheim's Winter Coronet Tournament!

LORD AINDRIÚ HAY:

Lord Aindriu recieved his Award of Arms, as well as a Wiesenfeuer Flint & Steel award, at Wiesenfeuer's Yule Revel!

LADY ROSALIE CLARE D'AVIGNON:

Lady Rosalie recieved a Sable Thistle award, as well as a Wiesenfeuer Flint & Steel award, at Wiesenfeuer's Yule Revel!

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Congratulations!

LORD GUNNAR BJORNULFSSON:

Lord Gunnar recieved a Golden Beacon of Wiesenfeuer award at Wiesenfeuer's Yule Revel!

HE AUBREY ERICSDATTER:

HE Aubrey recieved a Wiesenfeuer Flamme d'Orleans and won for Presentation in the Cookie Bake-Off at Wiesenfeuer's Yule Revel!

LORD MATTEO DE GENUA:

Lord Matteo recieved a Wiesenfeuer Flamme d'Orleans at Wiesenfeuer's Yule Revel!

DUKE JEAN PAUL DE SENS:

Duke Jean Paul won the Chess Tournament and the Chivalric Toy Tournament at Wiesenfeuer Yule!

DON CORNELIUS MERILÄINEN:

Lord Cornelius won the Rapier Toy Tournament at Wiesenfeuer Yule!

HE, PERRIN DE BEAUJEU:

HE, Perrin won the Spear-It of Yule Tournament at Wiesenfeuer Yule!

LADY AILLENN BEAN UI MAILLE:

Lady Aillenn tied to win the Thrown Weapons Toy Tournament at Wiesenfeuer Yule!

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Congratulations!

LORD JOHNATHAN OF YORK:

Lord John tied to win the Thrown Weapons Toy Tournament at Wiesenfeuer Yule!

SQUEE THE GREEN:

Squee won the Youth Cookie Bake-Off at Wiesenfeuer Yule!

LADY JELENA AL MA'AN:

Lady Jelena won for Taste in the Cookie Bake-Off at Wiesenfeuer Yule!

HL ESTRILL SWIET:

HL Estrill won the Largess Derby at Wiesenfeuer Yule!

HE VINCENTI DA MURANO:

HE, Vincenti won Wiesenfeuer's A&S Championship at Wiesenfeuer Yule!

LADY JAEI MAGNIDOTTIR:

Lady Jael won Wiesenfeuer's Bardic Championship at Wiesenfeuer Yule!

LOSINETTA UILLETA:

Losinetta won Wiesenfeuer's Youth Bardic Championship at Wiesenfeuer Yule!

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Schewen & Tellen (Show & Tell)

Klauss' Korner

BY KLAUSS LUIJSTRA

Farewell to the Long Year

Half Step Down 3rd Capo C F Em Am (G for flare)

Verse 1

Farewell to the long year,
For now, time has passed,
And likewise the seasons,
That never shall last,
Let there be no great regret,
May you never rue,
The moments of respite,
With friends dear and true,

Verse 2

Farewell to my follies
And oh, how we've grown,
For now, let's be jolly,
With wisdom our crown,
Let the fields that we fight on,
Be filled with good cheer,
May friends who are absent,
Feel ever so near,

Verse 3

The road is e'er winding,
And oft times with snares,
Along way we're finding,
There's roadway to share,
For the long road goes ever,
On, far-away and past,
We journey together,
And so we shall last,

Verse 4

There's nowhere in Vindheim,

Our bonds will not hold,
So cherish the good times,
And loved ones you know,
Let the Yule-Tide be merry,
May the New Year be bright,
May the hopes that you carry,
Keep Your spirit light,

Verse 5

Farewell to the long year,
For now, time has passed,
And likewise the seasons,
That never shall last,
Let there be no great regret,
May you never rue,
The moments of respite,
With friends dear and true,



MEME
OF THE
MONTH!



BY TORIANNA THORNHILL

Art by Gwennyvere Rose Foxe



Astrolo - Tea

by Gwenyvere Rose Foxe



Astrology has been around for thousands of years, with the earliest evidence dating back to 3,000 BCE. For much of history Astrology was considered an academic discipline, with some of the most well known academic astrologers being Ptolomy, Galileo Galilei, Nostradamus, and Leonardo Da Vinci.

While I may not know how to do astrology, I hope you find the following prediction for this month entertaining.

January brings warm fires, cold winds, and a peaceful togetherness with those we love and love to spend time with. It also brings that weird racoon that likes to peek in through your window to watch you eat leftover holiday cookies and binge egg nog while watching reruns of the Gilmore Girls.

With Venus in the House of Osiris, and Klaus in retrograde around some cosmic cheese, it is a time to welcome long awaited positive changes into your life. Perhaps it's time to reorganize the pantry that you've been putting off for months, schedule some classes you've long been wanting to take, learn yoga or meditation, send the kids off to boarding school, reclaim their room for your new entertainment center and workout equipment, and live peacefully without having to yell at little goblins. The world is your oyster!

To find peace through this transition, be sure to send in award recommendations to your local barony, principality, and kingdom!

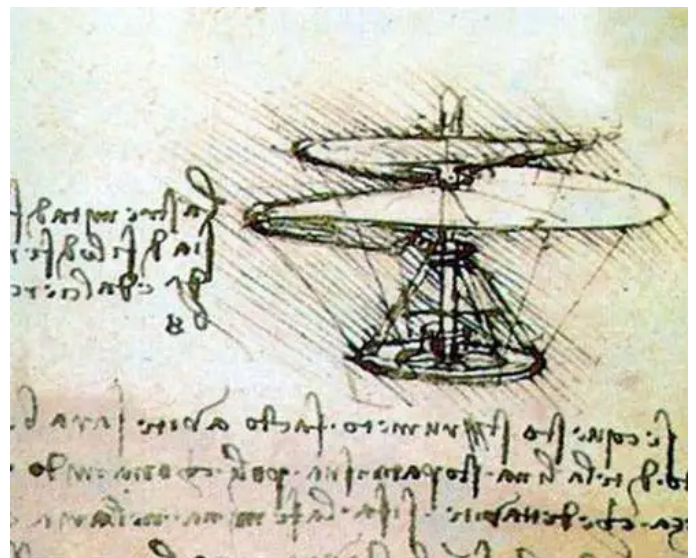
THIS MONTH IN A&S HISTORY

by Cat Cat Cathart

On January 3rd 1496 Leonardo da Vinci unsuccessfully tests a flying machine.

The machine somewhat resembled a modern day helicopter and was powered by 4 men peddling together. It did not fly due to the weight of the machine and the fact that it lacked a tail rotor. This allowed the body to twist in the opposite direction of the aircraft.

A drawing by Leonardo of the machine can be found in the "Paris Manuscript B" held at the Institut de France, which he wrote and illustrated. (Seen below.)



CatFish Art by Gwenyvere Rose Foxe

The Inconceivable Legend of Weaselton: Part 7

By Lady Gwennyvere Rose Foxe

"Let's bring it back to camp! I bet everyone will be so thrilled!", exclaimed Ian with squirrel-like glee. They packed up their things and headed back to camp.

On the way back, Weaselton looked up at Ian curiously. "Have you seen a muse around? Poor Klauss lost his and we are looking to find it."

Ian looked up at the leafy canopy of sunbeams among oak limbs above them as they walked. "I'm not sure. What does a muse look like?"

Shocked, Weaselton reflected inward. *What does a muse look like?* In all his earnest to help, he forgot to ask such a basic and important question. Perhaps he just assumed Klauss would recognize his muse when they came upon it.

"...hello?", Ian said with concern a second time.

Weaselton shook his head vigorously, bringing his thoughts back to the present. "Sorry about that. I think I forgot to ask Klauss what a muse even is, cause I surely don't know. Perhaps we should ask Klauss when we get back. That might be the most helpful thing to our quest yet!"

After some jokes and merry songs, the two friends made their way back into camp to find Torianna tending to a pot on

the fire while Klauss tuned his guitar.

"I caught a fish!" Weaselton yelled with delight as he ran up to them both, swinging the fish around wildly.

Klauss laughed with joy. "That's fantastic! Good job, Weaselton!"

Torianna took the fish with a gentle smile and gave Weaselton some head pats. "This will be perfect for the stew! You did a marvelous job, Weaselton! Thank you!"

"You're welcome! I can't believe I caught it! It even put up a fight!"

Torianna and Ian chuckled. "Most fish do," said Ian, "they typically don't like getting caught".

Weaselton turned his attention to Klauss. "Hey Klauss? I think I forgot to ask you something when we started this journey. Something important."

Klauss, still focused on tuning his guitar, nods, "Sure, what is it?"

"Well... What is a muse? What does it look like?"

Klauss plucked a flat string on his guitar as his eyes grew wide with disbelief. "How could I forget to tell you! Silly me. Let me remedy that for you! I'll tell you the story of my muse."

If you would write the next page of this story, please send an email to Wiesenfeuer's chronicler at:

Chronicler@wiesenfeuer.ansteorra.org

Heraldric Pitfalls and How to Climb Out of Them

by Guinevere Llywellyn

Hello, all and welcome back! There's still a huge number of fiddly little things and complicated rules you can run into when making heraldry, so let's get right into it!

Now, I love myself some chapé-ploy. That's the division that looks like a set of parting curtains – except it's not fully a division? But it's not fully a charge either. Chapé-ploy looks very cool, but it has some strange, ephemeral rules around it. Like, you cannot put a charge on a chapé-ploy when designing a device, because it counts as a charge, itself. You can, however, put a charge on a chevron division, and it has a somewhat similar visual effect.

Similarly, you cannot do an anuletty or similar on a chapé-ploy like you might other field divisions, because anuletty and chapé-ploy both count as a charge. You can, however use ermine or some other fur! I thought the anuletty looked cooler, but it fills the space either way.





Now, I personally really disagree with this interpretation of how chapé-pley should be used, particularly because there's a number of government devices that do – in fact! – put charges on the curtains of the chapé-pley.

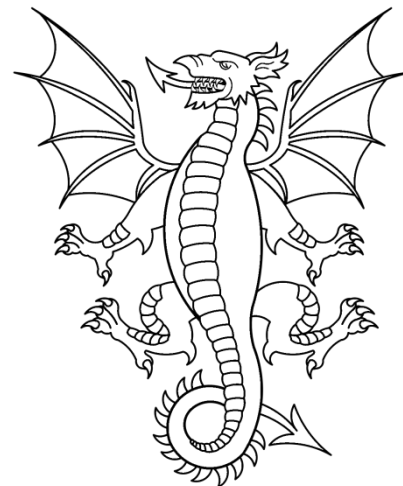


For instance, this is the coat of arms of Goldegg im Pongau, Salzburg, Austria. And on the left here is the one for the German district of Altenkirchen. To be fair, these arms were adopted in 1927 and 1967 respectively, which brings them rather out of period, but I think that like with using Norse designs a

charge on chapé-pley should only count as a step out of period practice.

Even the Papal coat of arms for Pope Benedictus XVI used charged chapé-pley! And it's hard to find people who are stricter concerning heraldry than the Catholic Church. So while it is genuinely much easier to adjust your design to conform with the College's rules as they are, it would certainly open up some design options if the rules could be opened up a little.

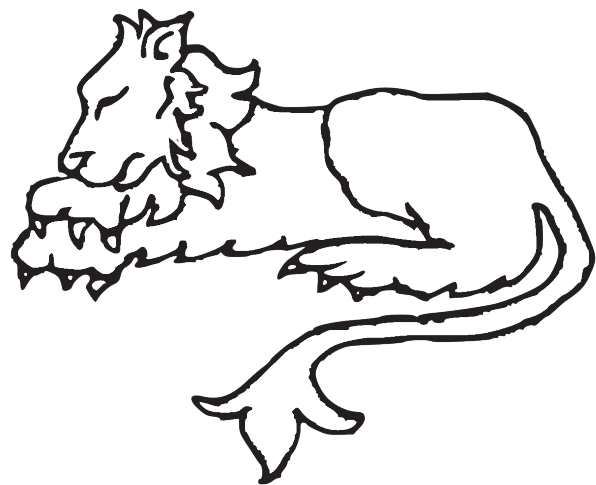
That being said, we do have the rules we do for a reason – to give us structure when working on our designs, give clarity to the overall appearance, and promote research to improve our general accuracy and understanding of period heraldry. With effort and careful research, rules are subject to change, and an interesting case actually led to the banning of some semi-popular charges not that long ago.



In the January 2018 Laurel Letter, the Wreath Herald gave an explanation as to why Quadrupeds Affronty and animals Dormant were taken off of the list of approved charges. Dragons facing forward with their wings displayed like you might a bird's is, naturally, a striking image, and in the past it was considered only a step out of period practice. There

were those, however, that wanted to see that ruling overturned on the basis that four-legged animals, as seen from the front, were common in period practice. However, what they got was the opposite of what they wanted. There was only one instance they could find at all to justify sejant erect affronty (sitting upright and forwards), and then only for lions. So, the effort ended with all other uses for non-lions being made a step out of practice, and all other affronty postures were disallowed.

In a similar story, the College of Heralds asked for commentary assistance that same time in depicting dormant (sleeping) animals, “as armory with charges in that posture [have] frequently been returned for redraw due to lack of identifiability.” The original intent was to create definitive guidelines to help people draw the charges in an easily recognizable manner, so you could tell what the art was from several yards away. What was found in their research, however, was that the charge that had been used to justify a dormant posture was not actually what the SCA would consider to be dormant at all, but a variant of couchant. Legh’s *Accedens of Armory*, 1576, fol.44, attributes Azure, a lion dormant Or to the Tribe of Judah, and while the art is similar enough, it is clearly different in the animal being awake. There was even a debate in dialogue between a master and student in the text description of the device, over whether or not you could call the lion dormant when his eyes were open. Due to this, and the fact that animals curled up in sleep cannot be distinguished from one another at a distance, the dormant posture was put to rest and is no longer used in SCA heraldry.



It’s all largely a case of “be careful what you wish for” with these examples, but nevertheless, the rules won’t change without fairly good reason. If you really want to argue something, you should know what you’re arguing for before opening that Pandora’s Box. And, anyone interested in or working in heraldry should always check the cover letters of the monthly *Laurel’s Letter*! When these rule changes come down, that’s where you’re going to find them, and believe me when I say that the Heralds in office will hold you accountable to them.



Gulf War Camping Checklist

Gulf War is almost here: are you ready?



Mundane Must-haves

- Photo identification, such as a driver's license or passport
- Bank card/ credit card/ other payment methods
- Cash - remember that not all vendors will accept card!
- SCA Membership card
- Printed pre-purchased tickets and if required, minor forms
- Proof of any applicable insurance (travel, vehicle, medical)
- First aid kit
- Medication and any relevant medical documentation (including EpiPens, asthma inhalers, tablets, etc)
- Comfortable shoes in case your medieval shoes break or are no longer suitable
- A comfy, dry change of clothes
- Shower shoes

Garb & Medieval

- Hats or veils especially something for sun protection (straw hat)
- Undertunics/ chemise dresses (we recommend linen for easy hand washing and breathability)
- Underwear (you can never bring enough)
- Socks (see above!)
- Medieval shoes that are already broken in and won't give you blisters
- Something to sleep in
- Hood, scarf or shoulder covering
- Tunics, kirtles, dresses, cottes, kaftans and other over-clothes
- Vests, corset, or other bodices
- Gloves or mitts
- Pants, hosen or skirts
- Belts
- Pouches and bags
- Jewelry, chains, headgear and other important accessories
- Rain suitable garb (cloaks or woolen items)

Toiletries

- Sunscreen
- Skincare
- Lip balm
- Deodorant
- Razor
- Bug spray
- Brush
- Toothbrush
- Toothpaste
- Soap, shampoo, etc
- Sanitary products
- Toilet paper

Camp Basics

- Tent
- Tent pegs, stakes and/or poles
- Extra tent pegs (because someone will always ask)
- Towel
- Rope (always useful)
- Hammer
- Shovel/ spade
- Bucket
- Bedding
- Blanket
- Mattress + pump if required
- Pillows
- Candles/ fake candles/ light source
- Lantern
- Cooler - don't forget to pick up ice!
- Chair
- Tables
- Tarp or ground cover
- Any other required tools
- Food, drinks, stove and cooking utensils

Gear

- Authorization card
- Head protection
- Hand protection
- Neck protection
- Kidney protection
- Gambeson
- Other armor
- Preferred weapons & fighting gear (eg, arrows, rattan, fencing swords, shield)

Other

- A project you're working on (eg embroidery)
- Notebook + pen
- Wagon
- Extra phone chargers/ battery packs
- Bowls/ plates
- Cutlery
- Mug/ glass/ tankard
- Duct tape
- Earplugs
- Contraception
- Pain killers
- Multi-purpose soap for dishes/ hand laundry
- Bag for dirty laundry
- Emergency repair kit (sewing, repairing armor, etc)

Wiesenseuer Bulletin Board

This is a page dedicated to the posting of notices offering or requesting help for various skills or knowledge. If you would like to post a notice, please email your notice to the Wiesenseuer Chronicler at chronicler@wiesenseuer.ansteorra.org to have it added to this Bulletin Board page. (Please email to remove.)

Seeking Deputy Chronicler.

Also seeking anyone who would like to do a monthly section or column in the newsletter.

Some ideas could be, but are not limited to:

Advice Column, DIY, Fun Facts or Informationals, Comics, Astronomy, Gardening, etc.

If you are interested, please contact the Wiesenseuer Chronicler, Gwenyvere Rose Foxe, at: chronicler@wiesenseuer.ansteorra.org.

WANTED

Intrepid gentles interested in becoming a dynamic duo (or trio)

Are you:

- Curious about how the social media office works?**
- Interested in helping the barony, but not sure where to start?**
- Enthusiastic about sharing the SCA with a wide audience?**

Then being the social media deputy is for you!

Contact Torianna Thornhill for more information

**-TORIANNA THORNHILL
WIESENFEUER SOCIAL MEDIA
OFFICER**

What's a People of Ansteorra Wiki?

To the Barony of Wiesenfeuer, greetings!

Have you ever wondered, "Who, or what, is that?" and then browsed the internet to look up a person, place, event, thing, or concept on Wikipedia? Wikipedia isn't solely a website, it's also a collaborative software that any group can use to create its own knowledgebase. Ansteorra has its very own Wiki with over 1,200 pages! The Ansteorra Wiki is the publicly accessible records of the Kingdom Historian's office, documenting the people, places, events, and traditions of our Kingdom. This can be a great way to learn about households, individuals, guilds, awards, specific Reigns - you name it. You can browse via categories of information, or search for a specific page.

Anyone who lives or has lived and participated in Ansteorra is eligible to have a People of Ansteorra page. On it, you can chronicle your SCA experience to the extent and depth that you are comfortable doing. We can track your service and participation, host photos of A&S projects, and notate your wishes in circumstances where you might be called into court. Over 500 Ansteorran already have a People page. Visit <http://historian.ansteorra.org/wiki/index.php?title=Category:People> to see them.

So much of the SCA is a shared, communal experience, but much of our history is lost, because it is not recorded. There are so many stories to tell - and the Ansteorran Wiki is a beautiful place to share them and preserve them. Wiesenfeuer has a page on the wiki -- but only a tiny smidge of information about its rich history. (<https://historian.ansteorra.org/wiki/index.php?title=Wiesenfeuer>) Won't you share YOUR stories of

Wiesenfeuer's history and events - large and small - with the rest of the Kingdom?

You are also invited to become a wiki contributor or editor. Contributing content to the wiki is much, much easier than you think. If you can type an email, you can contribute to the wiki. Content you could share can be as varied as snippets of information about those living or passed who have inspired you (Populace Provided Information), "No (bleep), there I was!" stories, photographs, songs, poems... nearly anything you can imagine!

Having your own page built on the wiki is as easy as filling out an online form (<http://historian.ansteorra.org/submission.php>) and attaching a few photos (*though please take a moment to ensure they are less than 1 MG in size first, or they won't attach properly, and rename as YourSCAName - Portrait*). Updating an existing page is easy, too! You can either utilize the online form again, filling out only the sections that have been changed (If you use this method: in the SCA Name field, type (Your Name) - Update, and that will let me know it's a page update), or you can use the message form on the main Historian's site: <https://ansteorra.org/historian/>. In the Subject field, type (Your Name) - Update, and then add the information you want updated. I'm also happy to have information sent to me directly via the email address.

I prefer not to receive updates via Facebook Messenger, as it's hard for me to keep track of what I have actioned or not.

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ATTENTION GUILD LEADERS & MEMBERS!

Did you know you could win a Blackfox Award for yourself and your guild?

The Blackfox Award is a Society level award given to chroniclers, authors, artists, baronies, and guilds who create, submit to, and publish newsletters.

For a Guild to be eligible for a Blackfox award, all they would have to do is create a newsletter and publish it to it's members on social media, through email, or another means. The newsletter would also need to be emailed to the Vindheim Chronicler and the Kingdom Chronicler to be eligible for a Blackfox Award.

Individuals can also receive Blackfox Awards for any articles, poetry, songs, etc they've written or art that was included in the published in the guild or baronial newsletters.

So get out there and start creating!



The Baronial Woodworkers' Guild of Wiesenfeuer

Every month, the woodworkers guild meets to share in the history and traditions of woodworking as it was practiced in medieval Europe. Tools and materials are provided by the guild head, and students of all ages are welcome (children under 16 should come with an adult).

Open to the Public – No charge

The best way to find the guild is our Facebook group:

**“The Woodworker's guild of
Wiesenfeuer”**

[https://www.facebook.com/groups/
418666039887597/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/418666039887597/)

or use the QR code



The Baronial Calendar



JANUARY 2024



Sun

Mon

Tues

Wed

Thurs

Fri

Sat

	1	2	3	4 Virtual A&S Meeting 7pm	5	6 STEPPE'S 12TH NIGHT
7 Missile Practice 2pm Advanced Fighter Practice 10 am	8 Populace Meeting 6:30 pm	9 Firestorm Ink In Person Meeting 7 pm Firestorm Passion Guild Meeting	10 Rapier Practice 7 pm Chivalric Practice 6:30 pm	11	12	13 Wiesenfeuer Pavillion Work Day! WINTER CROWN TOURNEY
14 Missile Practice 2pm	15	16 Firestorm Ink Meeting 7 pm	17 Rapier Practice 7 pm Chivalric Practice 6:30 pm	18 Virtual A&S Meeting 7pm	19 A&S Project Day!	20 WINTER ROUND TABLE
21 Missile Practice 2pm	22	23 Firestorm Ink Meeting 7 pm	24 Rapier Practice 7 pm Chivalric Practice 6:30 pm	25 A&S Class - Nalbinding with Eadwyn	26	27 WINTER-KINGDOM
28 Missile Practice 2pm	29 Officer's Meeting 7pm Financial Committee Meeting 8pm	30 Firestorm Ink Meeting 7 pm Firestorm Passion Guild Meeting	31 Rapier Practice 7 pm Chivalric Practice 6:30pm	<p>CLASSES</p> <p>MEETINGS</p> <p>EVENTS</p> <p>PRACTICES</p> <p>HOLIDAYS</p> <p>SOCIAL</p>		

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Baronial Officer Directory

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The Jester's Fun Page



Did you know?

Most medieval European countries observed the New Year on different dates. Some celebrated it on December 25th, others celebrated it around March 5th or Easter.

However, most celebrated it on March 25th, in conjunction with the Feast of Annunciation.

Even so, it was Julius Caesar who was the first to proclaim January 1st as the New Year in 45 BCE, until the Council of Tours abolished it in 567 ACE.

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Puns & Jokes!

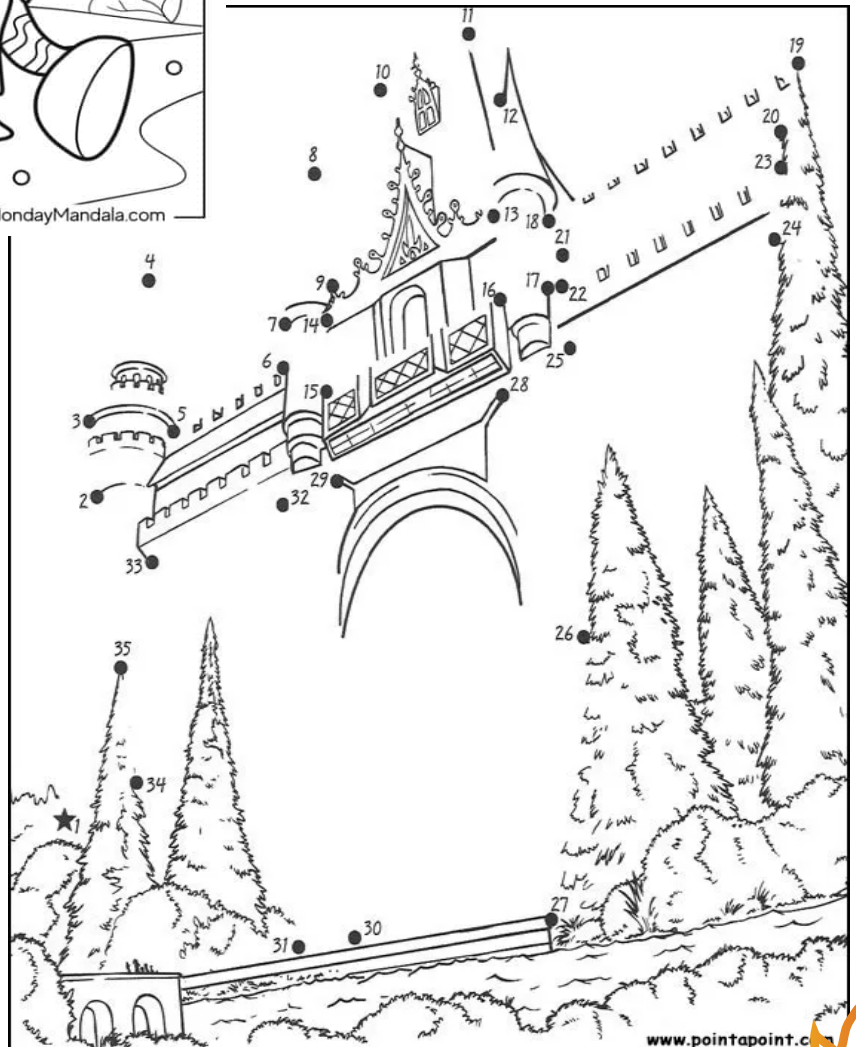
Q: What do you get when you cross a snowman with a vampire?

A: Frostbite!

Q: What did the kids say about the fireworks on New Years?

A: They were a blast!

P: January: The only month where hibernation is socially acceptable for humans too!



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Happy New Year!

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