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Medieval Mysteries

Estrella War use to take place at a little place called Estrella Park, Can you guess how many were in attendance at the very first Estrella War?

The answer to January's question was: The Lion Award

Howk Eye Award

Starting in the month of January I challenged you, the Barony March of Mons Tonitrus, to read and find one intentional placed error in this newsletter. But no one took my challenge in the month of January, still the challenge continues. The first person to contact me at chronicler@bmmt.org, will receive the honorable title "Hawk Eye" along with a chronicler's favor to be presented at court. Now for a few short rules, you can only win once in a six month period and be careful, if you find more than one mistake you win an officer's position. Have fun and read on.

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Greetings unto the Populace of Mons Tonitrus!

January went by too fast. However, with all the practices and meetings, We know that everyone is ready for Estrella War. But first we travel back to the Barony of Tyr Ysgithr for Crown Tournament to see who will be the heirs to this great Kingdom.

Remember to let Lord Johan know what your tent space requirements are for Estrella as he so graciously accepted the position of Camp Steward and will also be preparing the Baronial Feast for Friday night. Remember, per Royal decree, the Crown wishes to present a sea of Blue and Gold on the various fields of combat (armored, rapier, archery, etc). With that said, for the march to the fields on Friday morning, we ask that all members of Our Populace join us at the Baronial Encampment so that we can march as one – bring your banners so that we can fly a field of black and white, showing our pride in this Great Barony – as we march wearing the Kingdom colors, keeping Atenveldt as One.

Also – for Estrella, Mons artisans are taking up the challenge to enter the Arts and Sciences competition. The categories are: Tooled Leather (small item); Crowns/Coronets; and Shoes. See estrellawar.org/arts-science/competition/ for more information.

And as always, please remember to recommend your friends and others deserving of recognition for award. Go to our webpage at www.bmmt.org and submit your recommendations to us.

Looking forward to a year filled with laughter, enjoyment and great companionship with all of you,

In Service to the Dream.

Karl and Samara, Baron and Baroness



Art in Action

His Excellency Master Martin gave a review of Kingdom and Baronial awards this month. Have you thought of someone that works diligently in the background who deserves recognition for their talents or service? Has a populace member been playing for years and not received an Award of Arms? You would be surprised how many members go overlooked.

Lord Floki, the Ginger, will demonstrate card weaving in March. If you have a loom, you are welcome to bring it to the class to share so others can try their hand at card weaving.

Calling all artesian of the Barony! Monthly classes are filling up quickly – let myself or Dame Finola know what classes you would like to teach. Or if there is a class you would like to have taught, please let us know.

Keep up the good work beautifying our Barony and can't wait to see you at Estrella.

Your Arts and Science Minister

Lady Francheska

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Succulent Digest

For the month of January the Cooks Guild had 8 people attend. We did an inventory of all cooking supplies the barony has and we made decisions on events that we are going to assist with and what classes we are going to teach throughout the year. Lady Ghita made a scrumptious period stew and the recipe can be found below:

Medieval spiced beef stew Serves 6-8

1.5kg lean braising steak, chopped into bite-size chunks

3 tbsp plain flour
Oil for frying
1/2 tsp ground cinnamon
1/4 tsp ground mace
1/8 tsp (small pinch) ground cloves
4 black peppercorns, crushed
1/2 tsp cardamom pods, crushed and green pods discarded
1 large onion, finely chopped
6 large sprigs parsley, stalks and leaves finely chopped, plus extra to garnish
900ml beef stock
50g stale wholemeal bread, torn into small pieces
3 tbsp cider vinegar
Pinch of saffron threads

- 1 Toss the beef with the flour to coat. Cover the base of a large casserole dish with a thin layer of oil and place over a medium high heat. Add the beef in batches and fry, stirring occasionally, until browned.
- 2 Return any browned beef to the pan with its juices. Add the spices, onion and parsley with a splash of the stock and fry, stirring frequently and scrapping up the crusty layer from the bottom of the pan with a wooden spoon, for about 5 minutes until the onions have started to soften. Add the rest of the stock with a pinch of salt and bring to a gentle boil. Cover, reduce the heat to low and simmer for 2 hours, until the beef is tender.
- 3 Meanwhile, soak the bread in the vinegar with the saffron. Stir into the stew and simmer, uncovered, for about 20 minutes until the bread has broken down and the stew is thick. Taste and season with salt and freshly ground black pepper. Serve with bread and buttered green vegetables, garnished with chopped fresh parsley.

The recipe can be found online at the following link: http://ginandcrumpets.com/medieval-spiced-beef-stew/

Baronial Announcements

STRONG OAK CONSORT

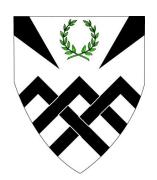
Strong Oak Consort has a new rehearsal time: Tuesdays at 5:30 PM in the Cochise College Library, SV campus. Contact Lady Tiphina of Ledbury at TiphinaOfLedbury@gmail.com if you need more information. Instrumentalists and vocalists at all experience levels welcome. Novices may want to set up a different day or time, to develop some proficiency before jumping in, but we're willing to work with you to help you learn to read music, master fingerings, etc.

BARONIAL FINANCIAL COMMITTEE

Your Barony is seeking Letters of Intent for a spot on the Baronial Financial Committee. Committee members' duties are primarily to review and vote on proposed events, and expenditures outside the yearly budget, as well as the yearly budget. The warrant will be for a term of two years. Having steady internet and telephone access is crucial to this position, as well as an ability to consider the benefits and detriments of any proposal.

Please send your Letter by email, with your interest and qualifications, to: bmmtseneschal@gmail.com and monstonitrus@gmail.com





Monthly Baronial Events

Populace Meetings: First Tuesday of every month at 7:00pm, Cochise College Horace Steele Room right next to the library, 901 N. Columbo Avenue. Officers will submit reports.

Baronial Court/Arts & Sciences Meeting: 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm in the Commons Area of Cochise College Library, 902 North Columbo Avenue. Their Excellency's will hold court, garb is encouraged but not required, and there will be an Arts and Sciences class in the Horace Steele Room following court.

Archery Practice and Thrown Weapons: Every Sunday morning from 9:00am-11:00am, please contact Archery or Thrown Weapons Marshal for location.

Fighter Practice: Sundays, 3:00pm, in Veteran's Memorial Park, 3105 East Fry Boulevard, Sierra Vista, AZ, see Calendar for times. When there are major events in that park, the alternate location is Len Roberts Park, 101 East Theater Drive.

Rapier Practice: Has been CANCELLED on Mondays in Sierra Vista and Wednesdays in Benson until further notice.

Cooks Guild: The Mons Tonitrus' Cooks guild meets the 4th Thursday of each month from 6:30pm-8:30pm at various members homes.

\$it & \$titch: This is a sewing get together for making garb, held every Monday from 5:30-8:30pm at 801 Ridgeview Pl. Huachuca City, AZ 85616.

Craft Night: This works on beautification projects for the barony and personal use. The first Thursday of every month at 7:00pm at 400 Essex Dr. Sierra Vista.

Scriptorium: The art of scribes and script making. These artists do period illumination and calligraphy the 2nd and 3rd Thursday of the month from 7:00pm –9:00pm at 4146 Calle Encina, Sierra Vista. For the month of January scriptorium will be focusing on the instruction of illumination, specifically white vining, a mainly Italian artform used to intricately decorate the beautiful scrolls of medieval times. Classes to be taught by her Ladyship Maddelena.

The Strong Oak Consort (unofficial): Is currently and always welcoming new members with it's new day and time and performers of all ability levels are encouraged. It is an early music ensemble of vocal and instruments, both period instruments of all kinds and some modern are welcome. It's new rehearsal time and location is Tuesdays at 5:30pm in the Library of Cochise College.

Official Baronial website www.bmmt.org

Official Facebook Page

The Barony March of Mons Tonitrus

February 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 A7s Craft Night 7pm	2	3 Crown Tournament*
4 Crown Tournament* Archery & TW Practice 9am	5 Sit & Stitch 530pm	6 Strong Oak 530pm Populace Meeting 7pm	7	8 Scriptorium 7pm	9	10 Cochise College Comic Con
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Her Royal Majesty Great Helm



Saturday and Sunday March 10-11, 2018

Saturday and Sunday March 10, 2018 and March 11, 2018 9:00am - 5:00 pm both days.

All heed the call to Great Helm! The Barony of Tir Ysgithr wishes to invite all who read this missive to join us in celebration to discover our new Baronial Champions! There will be both armored combat and rapier tournaments to determine The Captains of the Guard on Saturday, March 10th. Court is at Their Excellency's discretion.

The armored combat Great Helm Tournament is standard single opponent, double elimination sword and shield. The rapier Captain of the Guard tournament style will be a Round Robin, giving all fighters a chance to battle every other fighter. The final round will be fought between the two highest scoring fighters from the day. Cut and Thrust will be permitted at fighter discretion. Sunday March 11th, the traditional guardsman tournament weapon used will be tow-handed polearm, double elimination.

The Baronial Youth Champion tournament will be on Saturday. Youth combatants may borrow gear if they do not own their own kits. We encourage all our young fighters to come out ready to be the victor of the day! In lieu of an evening feast, a Feast will be provided during the tournaments at the park on Saturday. A separate feast fee will apply for those interested in enjoying our modern spin on a Medieval standard.

The menu will include salads, cheese, olives, flat bread, and various cold meats in a traditional byzantine feast.

Registration Fee:

Feast Menu:

Adult - \$5.00 with a \$5.00 membership discount (\$10.00 without).

Event Location: Himmel Park 135 N. Treat Ave Tucson AZ 85716

Youth ages 6-17 is \$3.00, and children under 5 free.

Feast Fee: Adults: \$8.00

Site amenities:

Child (14 and under): \$5.00

during set up and tear down.

Please RSVP and pay for the feast no later than 3/03/2018. Registration may be made with our Exchequer, Lord Jörgen Unruh at reeve@btysca.org or to our Seneschal, Lady Celestina at seneschal@btysca.org

\sqcup Please do not drive on the grass during set up and tear down
☐ Water is available
Restrooms are located near the tennis courts and in the Library
Pets allowed on leashes and must be picked up after
☐ Smoking is allowed but please be mindful of litter and others who do not smoke
☐ The site is discreetly WET
☐ Staking of shades is allowed
No glass containers in city parks
There is playground equipment nearby where parents may take their children.
Event & Feast Steward: Ketiley drekki tongua (Keli-rene Sparks) 520-789- 7013 (no calls after 9:00pm), email krsparks@yahoo.com or message her on the Book of Faces.
DIRECTIONS TO EVENT:
From the north, take I-10 to Speedway exit 257, proceed east and turn right at Treat Ave.,
one block past Tucson Blvd.
🛮 From the south, take I-10 to Alvernon exit, proceed north, and turn left on Speedway,
then proceed west and turn left at Treat Ave., past Country Club.
The park is one block south of Speedway, just past the library. Parking is available on the street or in the parking lot to the west of the library. Please do not drive on the grass
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Pillage Plunder Poke

March 17, 2018

Are you feeling lucky? Well do ya? The Shire of Granholm (Casa Grande) will be holding its annual. Pillage, Plunder, Pluck, and Poke event. What makes this tournament so lucky? Well unless a Kingdom champion is needed there will be rapier and armored combat tournaments that do not come with jobs. Come and spend the day with chosen family and friends on this joyous holiday. There will be a potluck with the Shire providing the main course. Bring your sides and desserts to share. The event will be located at Dave White Park starting at 9am for set up, and closing by 6pm. Site is discreetly wet. Site fees are \$10 for adults. Members get a \$5 discount. Children 10-17 are \$3, and 9 and under are FREE. More information will be coming on the Book of Faces so be sure to check often.