



Two Towers

September – October LXII

From the Baron and Baroness

We have much going on in the barony this summer and into the fall. The Stargate Revel was great. Many classes, lots of friends, and good fun. Thanks to HL Ceara and HL Sarra for all your hard work to get the site and organize the day. Also thanks to all the teachers who gave of their art and service.

Next up is Bordermarch, War of the Trams (or BAM) November 16th – 19th. Stargate will be hosting the Saturday Fighter and Fighter Support soup Kitchen again. We **NEED** Your Help! If you are available to make a soup/stew/chili (to serve 40 eight-ounce servings) please let me, Baroness Cristyana, know! Please provide your own heating equipment. We also need donations of bread, cookies, and brownies/bars to provide to fighters, etc. Our soup kitchen provides a light lunch to the fighters/fighter support between morning and afternoon battles to keep everyone on the field and ready to fight.

Our Stargate Yule event is coming in December. Lord Philip (Hywel) is event stewarding and will need help with decorating, set-up and other items. Let him know if you are available to help. Yule is also where Stargate chooses the next Stargate A&S and Bardic Champions. Get your pieces together and compete!

Lastly, We have very much enjoyed our time as Baron and Baroness of Stargate and with a heavy heart, we, Robert and Cristyana, do announce our retirement from this office at the end of the end at Stargate Yule. Stargate is a truly wonderful barony and we see a great future for her. In the coming months, the Kingdom Seneschal will let the populace know Their Majesties' and Their Highnesses' timeline to conduct the process fro a new Landed Nobility for Stargate. If you have any questions regarding the duties or applying for this office, please feel free to ask us.

Thank you so much for the many great years!

Robert and Cristyana
Baron and Baroness of Stargate

Missive From the Seneschal

Greetings from Stargate's Seneschal,

We had a great time at the Summer revel with lots of classes and plenty of time to socialize. Thanks for all those that came out.

We are now starting into our busy eventing season. There are events coming up almost every weekend and I encourage everyone to take time to attend events as you can. If they are outdoor events, please remember it is still hot and humid and make sure to drink plenty of water!

We have a few offices open or coming open soon. If you have an interest in an office (to take on a role or even just to learn about the office), please let myself and the current officer know. We have some great officers in Stargate and it would be a good opportunity to learn about the different offices and their requirements.

In Service to Stargate,
HL Sarra Asshton of York
Stargate Seneschal

Their Excellencies will be stepping down at Stargate Yule, which is the first weekend in December, Applications for B&B will be open from now until September 30th. Polling will occur in the month of October, with the exact date to be determined.

If you have the experience, the fortitude, the time and other necessary resources, and are willing to serve Stargate and Ansteorra in this high-energy, critically important role, please send your application to Their Majesties and Their Royal Highnesses, with cc to Kingdom Seneschal and the Baron and Baroness of Stargate. See their e-mail addresses below:

Their Majesties crown@ansteorra.org

Their Highnesses: prince@coronet.ansteorra.org,

princess@coronet.ansteorra.org

Kingdom Seneschal: seneschal@ansteorra.org

Baron and Baroness of Stargate: bandb@stargate.ansteorra.org

Stargate September Events Calendar

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- ✦ **UFO Guild** (Usually weekly (always check) on Monday except Pop Mtg week - 7-9 pm @ Brenna MacDonald's home
- ✦ **Business & Populace Meeting** Monthly on the first Monday (not held in July, due to the holiday on July 4th.)
- ✦ **Stargate Chivalric and Rapier Combat Practice** is every Sunday at Noon at Ray Miller Park in Houston. 1800 Eldridge Parkway Houston, TX 77077
- ✦ **Houston/Beaumont area Official Youth Chivalric Practice** Irregular weeks on Sunday - 4 pm @ changing locations
- ✦ **Archery Practice** July 15th, 9-11 am @ Carter Park in Spring, Tx

Stargate October Events Calendar

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Upcoming Events & Meetings

Populace meeting during September 2017 will be held on September 11th, at Mendenhall Community Center 1414 Wirt Road, Houston, TX. We have a private room. Please check the lobby bulletin board.

UFO Guild

HL Brenna MacDonald hosts UFO (Unfinished Objects) Guild at her home, every Monday night except the first Monday of the month (Populace), from 7pm to 9pm. Please send her a message for the address if you'd like to come.

Chivalric and Rapier Practices

Stargate's Chivalric fighter practice is on Sundays at noon. Check the Barony's Facebook page for last-minute updates.

Gate's Edge Fighter Practice

Our neighbor to the north, the Shire of Gate's Edge, holds its fighter practice on the first and third Sunday of the month at Meyer Park in the Cypresswood section of Spring, Texas from 10 AM to 1 PM.

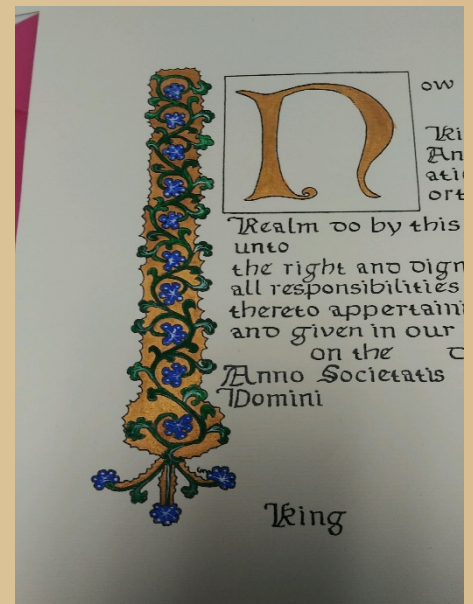
Archery Practice

Practice has been held in 2016 at Spring Creek Park in Tomball. Check the Facebook page for possible 2017 dates.

Scribes Guild

Come learn the ancient and beautiful arts of calligraphy and illumination. The Stargate Scribes Guild is for learning the scribal arts, as well as to provide a service to the Barony and the Kingdom by creating award scrolls. The Guild meets the 1st, 3rd and sometimes 5th Sundays of the month from 3-6 pm.

The primary site is in the 2nd floor Community Room at the Central Market, 3815 Westheimer Rd (at Wesleyan Ave, inside Loop 610), Houston, TX 77027. Bring your paint supplies; some loaner items will be provided. All are welcome, newcomers and masters alike. Contact: Mistress Hillary Greenslade.



Detail of charter, painted by HE
Elisena de Bayonne, 2017

Of Special Note:

Applications are being accepted for the following offices:

Minister of Children

Office of Exchequer

Youth Rapier Marshal

Please send applications to the applicable Coastal Regional officer, and cc Stargate's Baron and Baroness and Seneschal (e-mails listed below).

Stargate Domesday Book

Stargate is compiling a Domesday Book to help our members keep in touch, and we have made it quick and easy to submit your information online at

<http://stargate.ansteorra.org/domesday.shtml>

Stargate Facebook Page

Stargate also has a Facebook page, which is a good place to check for last-minute updates on practices and events.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/56697227816/>

Make a Contribution to the Two Towers!

- ✦ The Two Towers is the reference for members of the Barony, but it also serves as a bit of Baronial history.
- ✦ **Photographs** - If you have taken some photos, please send your contributions to the Stargate Chronicler, Baroness Elisena de Bayonne, at chronicler@stargate.ansteorra.org. The Chronicler would love to have all contributions. Please remember to send a release form.

Here are some of the ways in which you can be a part of the Baronial Newsletter:

- ✦ **Event Stories** - Let everyone hear your recollection of a great time or special occurrence at a Stargate event by putting it in our newsletter! If you have taken photos at Stargate events and would like to get them published, please send them along with the appropriate Publication Permission Form for yourself and any identifiable individuals in the photos.
- ✦ **Word Fame** - Has someone you know done something worthy of bragging about? Publish it!
- ✦ **Articles** - Care to share your expertise, or enlighten others on a subject you feel passionate about? Send your article along for publication along with the appropriate Publication Permission Form found on the Ansteorra website!
- ✦ **Art** - Send your finest artwork along with the appropriate Publication Permission Form found on the Ansteorra website. Or let us know if you would like to illustrate articles!

Who are we?

The Barony of Stargate is a local chapter of the Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA), within the Coastal regional subdivision of the Kingdom of Ansteorra. The SCA is a non-profit, educational organization dedicated to learning more about the Middle Ages through reenactment. There are SCA chapters worldwide and they hold regular feasts, tournaments, balls and battles.

Ansteorra includes all of Oklahoma and most of Texas (except El Paso). Stargate includes most of greater Houston. Wherever you are, we're a friendly group of people, so why not visit us all?

Stargate Officers (Please no calls after 10 pm)

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Position vacant

Youth Rapier Marshal

Open - accepting applications
Contact the Seneschal

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Position vacant

Minister of Children

Open - accepting applications
Contact the Seneschal

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Check out Stargate's [Facebook page!](#)

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/56697227816/>

Upcoming Populace Meeting date (first non-holiday Monday of the month): September 11th

Make sure you are included in Stargate's Domesday Book - submission is quick and easy through our [online form!](#)

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Scribes Guild meets the 1st, 3rd and sometimes 5th Sundays of the month at the new earlier time of 3-6 PM at the HEB Central Market grocery store on Westheimer at Wesleyan. [More details](#)

Archery Practice is held once a month, usually at [Carter Park](#) in Spring, TX. [More details](#)

Have a youth fighter looking for a practice? Check out the Houston/Beaumont area Official Youth Chivalric practice! [More details...](#)

Gate's Edge Fighter practice is being held at 10 am on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at Meyer Park. [More details...](#)

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