



# Two Towers

Newsletter of The Barony of The Stargate  
June 2006



## From the Baron & Baroness

Unto the populace of Stargate does Ihon & Isabeau send greetings

I hope all have been enjoying the wonderful weather we've been having the last couple of weeks because our Ansteorra summer is just around the corner. That being said, please be mindful to drink plenty of water and stay under shade as much as possible while at events.

Practice-in-the-Park for May saw many attendees (approximately 20). Although we didn't have any fighting take place our wonderful bards did entertained us. We also had the opportunity to share quality time with our SCA family. Please make note that we'll be moving First Sunday in the Park practice to Hermann Park starting in June, same time just a different place. Please come join us.

For those unable to join us at the Spring Revel held at our home on May 13<sup>th</sup> you missed wonderful time. We had about 30 people in attendance, even Mistress Lorraine from Raven's Fort joined us as did two new comers. Fun was had by all with plenty of food, socializing and singing. In fact, our singing must have been more boisterous than we realized as one of our neighbors called in a complaint (twice) to the police. But when the police arrived to investigate all they heard was the sounds of silence . . . it's a good thing they didn't arrive when we were burning the sacrifice. By the time they came to check out the second call the revel was breaking up which was how we found out about the complaints. It just goes to show you, we're a bunch of rabble-rousers.

We had the pleasure to attend Raven's Fort's Festival of the Phoenix event where our own Lady Amalthea Von Tungen so impressed Her Majesty with her singing ability that she awarded Lady Amalthea a Sable Thistle for singing in evening court. Lady Amalthea won the Raven's Fort bardic championship too. VIVAT Lady Amalthea.

Our progress (subject to change) is as follows:

June 2-4	Kingdom Dance
June 9 - 11	Lysts at Castleton
June 23-25	King's College
July 7-9	Coronation
August	Stargate's Summer Revel

Joyfully in your service,

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## From the Chronicler

Populace and officers please get to me your submissions for the Two Towers before the 19<sup>th</sup> of each month. Every month we have submissions coming in after the date, please make due diligence to have them to me by the 19<sup>th</sup> of the month before you want it in.

*Nel servizio che rimango,*

*Signora Lisabetta Micola da Monte*

## *Stargate Armorers Guild*

Meets at Vaclav's shop on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 8pm until 11pm. Please call ahead at 713-686-9883 to get directions and see if the meeting has been cancelled.

Metal working and leatherworking tools and armor making advice for both chivalric and rapier fighters.

All Hand tools, forge, anvil, metal punch, slip roller, leatherworking Materials available.

Vaclav

## *From the Herald*

Have you been flying a kite lately?  
While they are often quite beautiful, they are also notoriously fragile. A good strong wind could break a spar or a string and send your beautiful kite to the trash heap. Not having your name or device registered is like flying a kite in a hurricane. It could be gone in a snap!

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Schwöre dem Warum ab und suche das Wie

Abjure the why and seek the how.



## *Hospitaler's Hideaway*

Well all, the Newcomer's meeting this month was good. We had a small class but did a Chivalric 101 class. Next month I'm planning a Court Etiquette class for the Newcomers meeting. If anyone would be willing to teach that please let me know.

Hope everyone had a good time at Stargate Baronial. I had a ball being the Co-Autocrat and learned a lot from Annes. I'm really glad I could have the opportunity to learn from Annes.

In Service to the Dream,

Lady Elizabeta Maria dei Medici

## *Dance Guild*

Classes are informal and are open to beginners and experienced dancers alike. We focus on English Country Dance primarily from Playford's first edition, Court dances, 15th and 16th century Italian dance, and French dances from Arbeau.

We meet on the second and fourth Sunday of each month from 2pm - 4pm at Oaks Presbyterian Church, 1576 Chantilly. This is near W 43rd and Ella in northwest Houston.

Contact Antonello (email [antonello\\_AT\\_integrity.com](mailto:antonello_AT_integrity.com) or cell 281-850-2443) for directions and inquiries.

Lord Antonello

## *Stargate Scribe Guild*

Join us for Stargate Scribal Guild and paint for Kingdom and Baronry. We meet on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday nights at the UH fighter practice 7 p.m. All skill levels are welcome including youth who are interested in scribal arts and painting. We had several people join us last month and had a great time.

Ladies Mea and Cristyana are waiting for you!! So come out and paint.



# King's College

*Hosted by the Canton of Westgate*

*June 24, 2006*

*Christ the King Evangelical Lutheran Church*



Please join us at Christ the King Lutheran Church at 2353 Rice Boulevard, Houston, TX 77005 for a day of learning and feasting, rounded out by a bardic competition. Site opens at 8 a.m. and classes begin at 9 a.m.

We have many wonderful classes available. Some of the classes will include Liqueur Making, Entering & Judging A&S Competitions, Metal Pierce-work, and 16th Century Doll Making for adults.

The tracks of classes are:

- Don't Be Scared in the SCA
- Children's Track
- Textiles
- Textiles/Dolls
- Outside Area
- A&S
- Cooking
- Printing
- Misc

We do still have room in the outside area for fighting classes (Hint Hint) and space for pick up fights.

The class registration form is now available on the webpage (<http://sca.clancircle.com>) so please reserve your space in the classes you want.

There will also be a Toys for Tots Drive Raffle.

For every toy donated, a raffle ticket will be given for a chest.



**Site Fee:** \$7 for adults and children older than 12, \$5 for children 5-12. Children under 5 are free. \$21 family maximum, limited to parents and their minor children. Please make checks payable to: SCA, Inc/Canton of Westgate. Site fee includes a sideboard lunch of chicken and Portobello mushroom crepes with a rich parmesan cheese sauce.

**Feast Fee:** \$5 for adults and children older than 12, \$3 for children under 12. Feast is limited to 75, first come, first served. No reservations will be taken. Menu comprises bread and butters, French onion soup, glazed pork loin stuffed with pecans and dried cherries, vegetables in season, glazed carrots, and apple cake.

Minors must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. They may also attend with a 21 year old or older adult with a signed and notarized Minor Event Waiver form from the parents. Please also no pets.



## *2006 Known World Heraldic and Scribal Symposium*



Hosted by the Kingdom of Gleann Abhann  
And the Gleann Abhann College of Heraldry

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Four Points By Sheraton New Orleans  
6401 Veterans Memorial  
Metairie, LA 70003  
June 16-18, 2006

The Known World's Youngest Kingdom invites heralds, scribes, scholars, and those who want to learn to the 2006 Known World Heraldic and Scribal Symposium. Come to the verdant River Valley to celebrate the heraldic and scribal arts and the revival of the New Orleans area.

The event will be held at the Four Points by Sheraton New Orleans ([www.fourpointsneworleans.com](http://www.fourpointsneworleans.com)) in Metairie, Louisiana - a short trip from the French Quarter and other area attractions. Free shuttle service will be available from the New Orleans International Airport to the hotel. There is free parking at the hotel. A negotiated price of \$82 a night is available - please call (888) 627-9017 and ask for the SCA rate.

There will be a meet and greet Friday night at the hotel, classes during the day on Saturday, and the ever popular Laurel Road show Sunday morning. Instead of a traditional feast, you may choose to dine at one of New Orleans' many great and famous eateries.

Articles and classes are still needed. Contact our class coordinator and Proceedings editor for details.

Merchants are welcome, but must pre-register.

### Site Fees:

Before 05.01.06: \$20

After 05.01.06 and at the door: \$22

\$3 surcharge for non-members

Children 6-11: half price

Children under 6: free

Please check [www.sca.org/heraldry/laurel/kwhs](http://www.sca.org/heraldry/laurel/kwhs) back for class listings and for information on ordering your copy of the Proceedings.



# MEETINGS



## **Newcomer's meetings**

Newcomers meetings provide information on local activities, how the SCA functions and what you can do to participate in the fun. To get more information and meeting dates, contact Lady Elizabetta "Maria" de Medici at 281-433-0347 or send email to [Scarlettmb AT sbglobal.net](mailto:Scarlettmb@sbglobal.net).

## **Populace meeting**

The first Monday of each month from 7-9 pm, at Ryan's Family Steakhouse, 5601 W. 34th Street, about 1/2 block west of 290 on the south side of 34th (on your left if you are coming from 290). It cannot be seen from the freeway (the sign is quite small and close to the ground). If the first Monday of a month is a public holiday, Populace will be held the second Monday. Garb is optional. For more information contact the Stargate seneschal, Lady Vasilisa, at [lisa AT flyinglions.com](mailto:lisa@flyinglions.com).

## **Business meeting**

Stargate's Business Meeting is normally held on the third Monday of the month, at their Excellencies' house. The meeting is open to the populace, but their Excellencies request that anyone who would like to attend [contact them in advance \(contact info on last page\)](#) if possible.

## **Fighter practice (Chivalric and Rapier)**

Every Tuesday night from 7-9+ pm at the University of Houston (main campus). This is a combined chivalric and rapier practice held in conjunction with the Barony of Loch Soilleir. Garb is encouraged. **Directions:** From I-45S south of I-59, exit and turn right onto Cullen, through two lights, turn left at UH Entrance 13, which is across the street from the stadium. Turn left into the parking lot, and look for us in the field next to the parking lot. It is a controlled-access faculty/staff parking lot, but is open after about 6 pm. Most practices focus on individual instruction and tournament (one-on-one) style combat, but the first Tuesday of each month is devoted to practicing melee skills and small unit tactics.

**Stargate** has now started a second fighter practice, on the **first Sunday of the month**, from 2-5 pm, at Memorial Park. [Click here for a PDF map](#). For more information contact the Stargate Knight Marshal, Lord Andre de St. Michel (Andrew Scarhart), at (713) 869-7733 or (832) 524-4444.

## **Youth rapier practice**

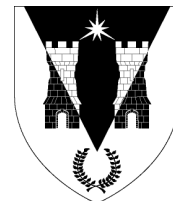
In conjunction with the Tuesday night combined fighter practices (above). A parent or legal guardian must also attend. Please contact the Youth Rapier Marshal, Lady Juliana Blacke at [DogDogCat AT aol.com](mailto:DogDogCat@aol.com) for more information.

## **Equestrian practice**

For information, call Lady Lorraine at (281) 983-5339. You don't need to have your own horse to come out and play. Garb is optional but suggested. Closed toe shoes are required. Minors must have a parent in attendance, and wear an approved riding helmet. Equestrian Guild Meetings are the third Wednesday of each month. We meet at Lady Lorraine's home or at the stables in Sugarland, in our Tackroom. Call for directions.



# GUILDS



## **European Dance (NW)**

Practice is held the 2d and 4th Sundays of the month at Oaks Presbyterian Church, 1576 Chantilly Lane, from 2 to 4 pm. For more information contact Lord Antonello del Bello at (281) 850-2443 or [antonello.sca at sbcglobal dot net](mailto:antonello.sca@sbcglobal.net) . Please, no calls after 10 pm. Garb is optional (most folks wear regular clothes).

## **European Dance (SW)**

Every Thursday night at 7:00 pm at Madame Perronnelle's house. Contact Perronnelle at [perronnelle AT earthlink.net](mailto:perronnelle@earthlink.net) for more information and directions. Garb is optional.

## **Madrigal and Polyphonic Singing**

Practice is held every fourth Sunday at Oaks Presbyterian Church, 1576 Chantilly Ln at 4:00 p.m. No experience necessary -- sight reading helpful but not required. For more information contact Master Ihon Vinson MacFergus at (713) 896-0026 or [jhirling AT houston.rr.com](mailto:jhirling@houston.rr.com). Please, no calls after 10 pm. You can also check out the [Stargate-Madrigal Yahoo group](#).

## **Scribes Guild**

Meets 1st, 3rd, and 5th Tuesdays of the month for charter painting at the University of Houston Chapel (Entrance 13 off Cullen, far end of the parking lot), 2nd floor lobby, at the large conference table, from 7-9 pm.

If you have paints, please bring them. Some supplies will be provided. Site has table and chairs. Newcomers to painting are welcome. Monthly scribal classes are being offered on Sunday afternoons. See the News for the details. Please contact [Lady Mea Guilianna Passavanti](#) or [Cristyana Lambrecht](#) for more information.

## **Weaving**

The Stargate Weaving Guild meets on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month at the Lancaster Community Center, located at 19831 Stoney Haven Dr., Cypress, TX 77433, from 7:00 to 9:00. We actually work on an assortment of things, from weaving, sewing, crocheting, knitting, creweling, embroidery, needlepoint, beading jewelry and clothing, and many other activities. If anyone is interested, they are most welcome to come. Contact [Lady Annalies](#) for more information.

## **Workshops**

### **Heraldic name and device consultation**

Heraldic Consultation Nights are on the second Tuesday of each month, from 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm, or by appointment. Please contact Dietrich Strobelbart by e-mail or phone for directions (two miles from U of H Fighter Practice site).

### **Chivalric armoring**

Tools and armor-making advice available at Vaclav's house on the first and third Wednesdays of the month, from 8-11 pm. Please call ahead for directions and to be sure we haven't cancelled. Contact Vaclav Namatko (Random) at (713) 686-9883.



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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				7:00p -9:00p <a href="#">European Dance Guild (SW)</a>	<a href="#">Castellan</a> <a href="#">Kingdom Dance and Music Symposium</a> <a href="#">Highlandmeister</a>	<a href="#">Castellan</a> <a href="#">Kingdom Dance and Music Symposium</a> <a href="#">Highlandmeister</a>
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	7:30p <a href="#">Stargate's Business Meeting</a> <a href="#">Deadline for Submissions for the Two Towers</a>	7:00p -9:00p <a href="#">Scribes Guild</a> 7:00p -9:00p <a href="#">Stargate &amp; Loch Soilleir (Chivalric and Rapier)</a>		7:00p -9:00p <a href="#">European Dance Guild (SW)</a>		<a href="#">King's College</a>
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## Waterbearer

**Open - accepting applications**

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