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## From Our Baron and Baroness

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Unto the Populace of Stargate do We, Ihon & Isabeau, send greetings.

It feels like summer is upon us with high temperatures and humidity. Please remember when you attend events to drink plenty of water and seek shade when possible. We want everyone to wonderful, safe and healthy summer.

The month of May was packed full of many of events. Loch Sollier's birthday bash was somewhat lightly attended but they had a wonderful day full of fun games for all. The most interesting being the chariot races involving three plays and a blanket. The object was for one person to stay seated on the blanket while the other two pulled it by two corners around a small circular course. In my opinion, it didn't appear easy, but was quite comical to watch. Our own HL Anne Barrington did a wonderful feast -- it was oh so tasty. If I'm not mistaken she ran out of one of the dishes but can't remember which one.

May also took us to Steppes Warlord for the investiture of Master Duncan Hepburn and Mistress Genevieve de Courtanveaux as Baron and Baroness of the Steppes and to bid HE Catherine Cunninghame a fond farewell.

Remember King's College is June 26 at Christ the King Lutheran Church. In addition to a day full of classes there will be a Laurel elevation and a White Belt circle. We know your help would be greatly appreciated by the gate steward and the kitchen, so please volunteer to help.

Warm regards,

Ihon & Isabeau

Baron & Baroness

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### Upcoming Events & Meetings

<i>June 7</i>	<i>Business/Populace Meetings</i>
<i>June 11-13</i>	<i>Known World Heraldic &amp; Scribal Symposium (An Tir)</i>
<i>June 11-20</i>	<i>War of the Lilies (Calontir)</i>
<i>June 18-20</i>	<i>Lady of the Lake (Adlersruhe)</i>
<i>June 19</i>	<i>The Just 'Cause Tournament (Shadowlands)</i>
<i>June 26</i>	<i>King's College (Stargate)</i>
<i>July 5</i>	<i>Business/Populace Meetings</i>
<i>July 10</i>	<i>Crown Tournament (Namron)</i>
<i>July 17</i>	<i>King's Round Table (Loch Ruadh)</i>
<i>July 30-Aug. 1</i>	<i>Ansteorran Heraldic &amp; Scribal Symposium (Wiesenfeuer)</i>
<i>July 30-Aug. 15</i>	<i>Pennsic War 39</i>

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## From Our Seneschal

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Greetings to the Populace of Stargate and all good neighbors near and far!

June is here and the temperatures are creeping upwards. If you're attending outdoor events, be sure to dress for the heat, stay hydrated, and wear sunblock and hats. There are also some indoor events coming up on the calendar which will give us a cool respite from the heat and humidity. One of these events will be King's College! HL Thomas and Lady Petronia (and their crew) are putting together what sounds like a very fine slate of classes. In addition, Their Majesties will be elevating Lucia Piazzetta to the Order of the Laurel and holding a Chivalry Circle, so we are looking forward to seeing a good turnout of our friends at this event.

Last month, HL Anne Barrington and her crew provided a fabulous feast for the Loch's May Day/SCA Birthday event. Many thanks to everyone who pitched in to help! Everything was delicious, but I must say the pork loin was my favorite — I even spooned the sauce over my dessert!

With the warmer weather, it's a good time to start looking into setting up an indoor arts "guild". This is something we talked about as part of the baronial improvement ideas. If anyone is interested in coordinating and/or hosting a space where we can come together to work on projects and socialize, please contact both me and our A&S Minister, Lady Petronia.

Finally, with another Crown from the Northern Region, we can expect a few kingdom events to take place up north. The best way to make these events more budget-friendly is to carpool. Let people know which events you're going to and talk to people to arrange sharing the driving/lodging costs. It also makes the journey seem shorter if you have good company.

In Service,

HL Alden Drake  
Stargate Seneschal

## STARGATE WANTS YOU!!

For those individuals who wish to serve the Barony, we have the following positions open.

- **Knight Marshal**  
Serves the Barony by ensuring the safety of our fighters and that the SCA rules of combat are followed, reporting on fighting activities for the Barony, and maintaining the loaner equipment.
- **Youth Rapier Marshal**  
Serves the Barony by training our young rapier fighters and maintaining the youth rapier loaner equipment.

Holding an office is a great way to become involved and meet your fellow Stargaters. Eligible applicants must have enthusiasm and a wish to learn and carryout their new office.

Please send your application to the new Stargate Seneschal, HL Alden Drake at stargate DOT seneschal AT gmail DOT com, the corresponding Regional officer and B&B. You can also contact HL Alden for more information on these positions.

**Please submit your application ASAP.**

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## Upcoming Events—King’s College (June 26)

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- What:** King’s College — Classes will be held in a broad range of subjects, including archery, siege warfare, and a track of advanced classes sponsored by the Order of the Laurel. Their Majesties will hold a Chivalric Circle and elevate Lucia Piazzetta to the Order of the Laurel.
- Where:** Christ the King Lutheran Church  
2353 Rice Boulevard, Houston, Texas 77005
- When:** Saturday, June 26, 2010
- Site Hours:** Site opens at 8:00 AM and closes at 7:00 PM
- Food:** A sideboard lunch will be served during the day, the cost included in the site fee. Those interested can gather for a post-event dinner at a nearby restaurant.
- Site Fees:** Adults with proof of membership: \$9  
Children: \$3  
Family max: \$24  
Non-members: \$3 additional surcharge.  
Make checks payable to SCA Inc., Barony of Stargate.  
[ACCEPS](#) is available.
- Fine Print:** Minors must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian, or they may also attend with a 21 year old or older adult with a signed and notarized Minor Event Waiver form from the parents. Service animals only - no pets!

**Class Schedule:** (TBA)

**Class Coordinator**

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**Event Steward**

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(MKA Thomas Smith)  
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**Directions:** Make your best way to I-59 in Houston. Take the Greenbriar exit. Go south on Greenbriar (0.9 mi). The site is a tan stone church at the intersection of Greenbriar and Rice Boulevard. The address is 2353 Rice Boulevard. (Note: Parking at the church is limited – additional parking is available across the street in the Rice University stadium parking lot.)

## MAKE A CONTRIBUTION!

The Two Towers is the reference for members of the Barony, but it also serves as a bit of Baronial history. The Chronicler would love to see one and all contribute in some way to the publication. 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!
- **Photographs**-If you have taken some 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!

Please send your contributions to the Stargate Chronicler, HL Anne Barrington, at [chronicler AT stargate DOT ansteorra DOT org](mailto:chronicler AT stargate DOT ansteorra DOT org).

# June 2010

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7 <i>Stargate Business / Populace Meeting 7:00/7:45 pm</i> <i>Coffee &amp; Dessert w/ Alden &amp; Alessandra (after meeting)</i>	8 <i>Stargate/Loch Soilleir Chivalric &amp; Rapier Practice 7:30 pm</i>	9 <i>West Houston Lunch Bunch 11:30 am</i>	10	11	12
13 <i>Stargate Scribal Guild 5:30 pm</i>	14 <i>Madrigal Guild 7:00 pm</i>	15 <i>Stargate/Loch Soilleir Chivalric &amp; Rapier Practice 7:30 pm</i>	16	17	18	19 <i>Just 'Cause Tournament (Shadowlands)</i>
20	21	22 <i>Stargate/Loch Soilleir Chivalric &amp; Rapier Practice 7:30 pm</i>	23	24	25	26 <i>King's College (Stargate)</i>
27 <i>Stargate Scribal Guild 5:30 pm</i>	28 <i>Madrigal Guild 7:00 pm</i>	29 <i>Stargate/Loch Soilleir Chivalric &amp; Rapier Practice 7:30 pm</i>	30			

- June 7—Stargate Business and Populace Meeting, 7:00 pm for Business, 7:45 pm for Populace, at Hope Episcopal Church, 1613 W 43rd St., Houston, TX 77018
- June 7—Coffee & Dessert with Alden & Alessandra, after Business/Populace Meeting, at IHOP, 13388 Northwest Fwy (just west of Hollister)
- Every Tuesday night—Stargate/Loch Chivalric & Rapier Practice, 7:30 pm, at Centennial Park, 3219 McLean Rd., Pearland, TX 77584
- June 14 & 28—Madrigal Guild, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm at 903 Highland Street, Houston, TX, 77009
- June 9—West Houston Lunch Bunch, 11:30 am to 1:00 pm, Lucky Village Chinese Restaurant, 1111 Dairy Ashford St., Houston, TX 77079
- June 13 & 27—Scribal Guild, 5:30 pm, at Central Market Community Room, 3815 Westheimer Rd., Houston, TX 77027



## Meetings

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### **Newcomer's Meetings**

Newcomer's 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 Stargate's Hospitalier, Lady Ciarnat of Firethorn, at 281-693-6441 or send an email to hospitalier AT stargate DOT ansteorra DOT org.

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### **Business & Populace Meeting**

The Business meeting is the first Monday of each month from 7:00 - 7:45 pm. The meeting is open to the populace. It is followed immediately by the Populace meeting from 7:45 - 9:00 pm. Both meetings are held at Hope Episcopal Church (formally St. Michael's Episcopal Church) at 1613 W. 43rd Street, Houston, TX 77018. If the first Monday of a month is a public holiday, meetings will be held the second Monday. Garb is optional. For more information contact the Stargate seneschal, HL Alden Drake, at seneschal AT stargate DOT ansteorra DOT org.

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### **4th Sunday Arts in the Park**

The Stargate 4th Sunday Arts in the Park meets on the fourth Sunday of the month on S. Picnic Lane in Memorial Park, Houston, TX 77007. Bring your current project or work on a baronial project. Our Knight and Rapier Marshals will determine whether to hold a practice at the same time.

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### **Stargate/Loch Rapier Practice**

The combined Stargate/Loch Soilleir rapier practice is held every Tuesday from 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm at Centennial Park in Pearland, TX. The address is 3219 McLean Road, Pearland, TX 77584. Please contact the Stargate Rapier Marshal, Don Corvin Fenarro, at 281-658-9412 or kevwilson AT swbell DOT net with any questions.

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### **Stargate Armored Combat Practice**

The chivalric fighters from the greater Stargate / Loch Soilleir area have joined the rapier fighters at Centennial Park in Pearland for armored combat practice every Tuesday night from 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm. For more information, please contact the Acting Knight Marshal, Sir Godwin of Edington, at marshal AT stargate DOT ansteorra DOT org.

Also, chivalric fighters are welcome to join the armored combat practice in Gate's Edge on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month at 3:00 pm at Meyer Park (7700 Cypresswood Drive, Spring, TX 77379). For more information, please contact the Gate's Edge Knight marshal, Lord Georges le Breton (George Abercrombie) at 504-231-5515 or georgeslebreton AT yahoo DOT com.

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### **Youth Rapier Practice**

Please contact the Seneschal, HL Alden Drake, at stargate DOT seneschal AT gmail DOT com for more information.

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## Workshops

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### **Chivalric armoring**

Tools and armor-making advice available at Vaclav's house on Thursdays, 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.



# Guild Meetings

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## **Equestrian Guild – ON HIATUS**

The Equestrian Guild is open to all those are interested in learning about the SCA's equestrian games and competitions and the making of garb and gear for riding in events. You do not need to have your own horse, as we have some that we are willing to share. All participants must have closed-toe footwear; heel is suggested but not required. Minors age 10 and up can participate with a parent present, signed waiver, approved helmet, and closed-toe shoes or boots. For more information, please contact the acting Equestrian Marshal, HL Cristyana Lambrecht at coastal AT seneschal DOT ansteorra DOT org.

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## **European Dance Guild – ON HIATUS UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

The Stargate European Dance Guild is going on hiatus effective immediately due to several uncontrollable factors. Our plan is to reschedule to Wednesday nights from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm beginning in January, but we must find a new site to make this happen. If you have any suggestions, please contact HL Antonello del Bello at antonello DOT sca AT sbcglobal DOT net. We've already received information on several community centers and a few private establishments and are in the process of exploring those now. Please bear with us as we try to maneuver into a different slot. We will report when things have settled and are back on track. Thank you for being so supportive of the dance community here in Stargate.

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## **Shadowlands Inter-Group Italian Dance Practice**

The Shire of Shadowlands hosts an Italian dance practice that is open to members of all groups. All skill levels are welcome. Garb is encouraged. Usually the practice is held on the 3rd Sunday of each month from 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm in the lobby of A&M's General Services Complex in College Station (paid parking is \$1.50). The group is currently working on Bella Gioiosa and La Vita di Cholino. For more information, please contact Mistress Perronnelle at charlene281 AT gmail DOT com..

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## **Bardic Guild – ON HIATUS UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

Stargate's Bardic Guild is now on hiatus for the foreseeable future. Those interested in the bardic arts are invited to attend the Madrigal Guild. If you are interested in being notified of any future guild activity, please contact HL Alden Drake at stargate DOT seneschal AT gmail DOT com.

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## **Madrigal Guild**

All those interested in madrigal singing are invited to join the Stargate Madrigal Guild. It meets on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm at the home of local bard HL Andrew Scarhart, 903 Highland Street, Houston, TX, 77009. Contact HL Andrew Scarhart at scarhart AT gmail DOT com for more information.

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## **Scribes Guild**

The Stargate Scribes Guild members learn the ancient and beautiful arts of calligraphy and illumination, as well as provide a service to the Barony and the Kingdom by creating award scrolls. Usually the guild meets on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month from 5:30 pm until 8:00 pm. Location: Central Market Community Room, 3815 Westheimer, Houston, TX 77027 (Westheimer near Wesleyan, inside Loop 610). Food and drink is available in the deli; outside food may not be brought in. For further information and to verify dates of meetings, please contact Mistress Hillary Greenslade at 281-855-9447 or hillaryrg AT yahoo DOT com.

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## **Stargate Siege Guild**

The Stargate Siege Guild is a new guild in Stargate and is for those interested in the art and science of tossing objects. If you are interested in siege weapons and their use in the SCA, contact Lord Miguel (Mike Meyers) at desweds AT gmail.com.

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## 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?



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