



The RivenSTAR

Rivenstar Christmas Court December 8, 2012



Rivenstar's Christmas Court is traditionally the one day each year that people gather to celebrate what is great about this Barony. Camaraderie, learning,

and honor all come together on this special night when awards and recognition are given, the arts and sci-



Three Saints on the Road to Constantinople Feast Tasting

On Saturday, February 2nd, about 15 people got together at Huis Doorn to taste the first round of ideas brought to life for this year's Three Saints Feast. All the usual



suspects from the cook's group and a newer addition in Aurora, cooked and



baked up more than a dozen tasty treats to please the
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ences are celebrated and good food abounds. It is a time to look back on the year and forward to the future. This year seven Baronial awards were presented:

Brianna the Small, Anton Sebastian



Schreiner and Katya Milovidna received the Order of the Rivenstar, Nerissa, Wilhelm of Rivenstar, Lord Orentil and Griffin Flavin all received the Defender of Rivenstar award. *(see pg. 7)*



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Regular Weekly Activities Info

Mondays

7:00 pm - Madrigal Choir Rehearsal
 8:00 pm - Baronial Business Meetings
 Held in Stewart Center at Purdue
 See Baronial Calendar back page of this issue.

Tuesdays

Archery Practice - Currently on Hiatus

Wednesdays

8:00 pm - Heavy and Rapier Fighter Practice
 Held at the Purdue Armory on Campus (summer hours differ)
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Sundays

3:00—5:00 PM— Dance Practice (on hiatus)
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More Activities!

Equestrian Practices start in the Spring, weather permitting, and are usually held twice a month on Sunday afternoons from 1-4 pm.

Drum Practices will be held on either Tuesday or Thursday evenings at the Morton Community Center. Check the Rivenstar website and email list for updates.
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Business Meeting Minutes:

Monday, December 3, 2012

Event Reports: Brianna, Wilhelm and several others went to Try Something New. They took several of the new-comers with them. There was a “training court” as one of the features they enjoyed. People made faux pas and a “voice of reason” explained what they had done. Takaya, Sigulf, Nan and Pieter all went too. Takaya got there in time for a silversmithing class and Sigulf helped with the bead making class. Nan went to 3 classes; Brother Johan’s class on Chickens, Scandinavian trim making and Viking wire weaving. They noted that there was also quite a bit on persona development as well as armament and chain-mail making.

Officer Reports: Chatelaine—Rocky will bring garb to Christmas Court to help clothe anyone who needs it. She had Gold Key at the Armory last Wed. as well.

Baroness—make recommendations for Baronial awards and be festive at Christmas Court. Bring tablecloths and greenery decorations.

Baron—Emphasizes and reiterates the Baroness’ recommendation to recommend people. Show up and Pitch in. The Baron also notes that he has venison for the cook group for Three Saints. He needs to know how much to have ground and how much to leave in various roasts. (Note: In addition to the venison from His Grace, we also have some venison that Kira acquired.) Fighter practice as usual nest week but no meetings on the 17th, 24th or 31st.

Herald—nothing new

Webminister—Arrantxa is in the process of turning over the position to Brianna.

Madrigals—We sang, we talked. On the equestrian front, all is well.

Seneschal—Looking into the new year, do we have an autocrat for our event? (We elected Dani in abstentia!) Pieter will take care of getting a Pale ad together for Three Saints on the Road to Constantinople or as Wulf put it, Three Saints putting their feet up on the Ottoman Empire.

New Business: Don’t forget the party at Takaya’s for New Year Eve 8 PM

Monday, December 10, 2012

Calendar Notes: No meetings until Jan., 14th. No Room on Jan 7th. No fighter practice on the 12th, 19th or 26th.

New Business: The spring semester Activities Bonanza will be Thurs., Jan. 10th from 11AM to 2 PM in the Purdue Armory. Looking for the business card supply. Pieter will be there the whole time. Others will show up when they can. Wilhelm will get the poster display board that Briana made for recruitment.

Takaya has the check-list to complete and return to University Church after Christmas Court for return of deposit. Christmas Court will open at 3 but not much planned between and 5, just talking and setting up.

Officer Reports: Student Org. Business—Wilhelm has been elected the next president of the Purdue Medieval Society. He will take over when Briana of Darkhorse graduates in May.

Herald—Emil will send the report of awards from Christmas Court to Marian and Brianna.

Madrigals—resume practice on Jan. 14th

Marshal—resume practice on Jan. 9th

More New Business: The cook group needs to meet to work on Feast menus. Because of the theme, there can be a remove from each area we pass through.

Meet on January 7th and Nan and Pieter’s house at 7 PM. Bring cookbooks and ideas.



Monday, January 14, 2013

Event Reports: Pieter went to the Regional fencing practice in Grey Hope. He also fought in the Sternfeld Baronial Championship (and won) but was not made the champion of that Barony (wonder why?). The highest scoring Sternfelder became the new champion. There was an Activities fair at the Purdue Armory on Thurs. Pieter reported that a total of 4 students stopped by the booth. Rocky, Pieter and Wilhelm were on hand to help with the recruitment but pronounced it a bust for all the clubs. Very few people showed up but at least some people from the other clubs, showed some interest.

Officer Reports: Exchequer—Guilianna recently had to put the Regional Exchequer on the Rivenstar back account as a signer and now it has messed up the

address again. This worries her because statements may go to the wrong person. She is not going to sign the change request until she visits the back in person. Chronicler—Quarterly report submitted.

Webminister—Brianna cant get into the website because Arrantxa has misplaced the password. They are continuing to work on the transfer of office.

Baron—Rivenstar’s Herald and friend Emil Alluzis-sender passed away last night. Anything we can do for Olwen and her family, we will do. We are standing by to see where help may be needed. Our thoughts go with them.

Baroness—Anyone who can, needs to help with feast.

Current Business: Francoise has volunteered to take over as autocrat for the feast. She is hoping that everyone will do their usual jobs. Sigulf on merchants, John on parking etc. There was a suggestion to use part of the parking lot for fighting. Last year, there was much of the parking lot empty and available. Since we are on the “Road to Constantinople” we might as well be on a road! We might even be able to use the Equisims. We can ask Patrick if he could bring one, the other is at Huis Doorn. We won’t need an equestrian marshal because they aren’t real horses. (Maybe we can make a cut-out of a Marshal! tee-hee.) We still need people to run Heavy fighting and Rapier as well as Bead Rescue. ‘Coise will check with Tom to see if he can bring the hawks again. Pieter put the first and second drafts of the Pale ad out to the Rivenlist and asked for suggestions. He has until the 20th to fix it. The question of archery was brought up but we probably won’t have archery because there are windows on all sides of the building. We may be able to set up some ax targets in the ditch where the bridge battle was last year. The cook group met and will try for the first feast tasting on Sat. Jan. 26th.

Other Business: Takaya and Pieter received a request from Gwen the Mad to have an official (insured) equestrian practice in Rivenstar so that two new people can authorize. Last year the practices were unofficial and if we want to do this we have to apply now for the equestrian insurance. This was voted down. It is too late in the year and the ground is too muddy.

Monday, January 21, 2013

Officer Reports: Madrigals—Pieter reports that they are starting a new semester and doing really well right off the bat. We welcomed a new member Tim, last week and thank him for helping to pay tribute in song to Emil.

Equestrian—Mickey has come out twice a week and worked her horse and has even worked Curly. Beaver—no sign of the beaver but the dam is still holding.

Chronicler—nothing new

Webminister—Brianna reports that she now has the password and that updates are in the works.

A&S—Olwen reports that the regional report went in but late. She will get all the Herald stuff together to give back to the Barony. (She was assured that there was no hurry on any of this.)

Baron—fighter practice next Wed. There were some interesting new people at the practice last week. One person showed up who was involved in the SCA in the west.

Baroness—nothing new

Other Business: Francoise has a big box of sewing patterns and notions that came from Duchess Zarina’s house. They are up for grabs.

Event Reports: Takaya went to Maiden’s and went to the feast. It was yummy. Patrick Brandenburg got a Laurel for equestrian work. Pieter reported that there was round robin fencing and Don Adam was the victor. There was also a novice tourney. Wulf, Brianna and Wilhelm were also there. Pieter reported going to the post-rev and played chess all evening.

New Business: The Event ad has been sent off to the Pale for March and April but receipt hasn’t been confirmed as of yet. Francoise has not heard back from Tom about the hawks yet. Feast tasting has to be moved to February 2nd. It will still be at Huis Doorn at 6 PM. There was a discussion as to an event activity for the children aged 12 and up. Perhaps a game of “what will you take to Constantinople?” which might include earning tokens good for prizes by helping at the event.



Monday, January, 28, 2013

Event Reports: Pieter went to Greyhope Regional fighter practice and fought only 1 guy who wasn't on the regional champions team. He said he had a great time though they wiped the floor with him.

Officer Reports: Chatelaine—Anyone who needs garb see Rocky, she'll get you dressed. She also got a great deal on some wool felted hats and had several to give away.

Baroness—It is the quiet time of year. She has no words of wisdom to impart. The requested equestrian event is not happening in Rivenstar. Kiltgern has volunteered to host the authorizations.

Seneschal asked: The fighters have a facebook page, does any other group have one?

A&S—There is a new SCA-wide social media policy. Please check it out if you are an officer. She also announced that there was a Wm. Blackfox certificate for the RivenSTAR to be picked up. Pieter is going to the event and will try to remember to do so. Constellation regional A&S will be at Better War Through Archery in two weeks. The North Oaken regional A&S faire is April 6th and the South Oaken one is April 13th. Olwen announced the start of a monthly "Stitch and Bitch" at her house.

Marian suggested that she also offer gardening advice. Leaks go in the ground in two weeks.

Webminister—Brianna is adjusting the web page as we speak. (Laptops are magical.) She had a request from the Seneschal to make sure that the officer information is correct. She also needs to find out if the Kingdom Calendar link automatically to the web page or how to accomplish that connection. She was asked to mention on the web page that the Feast seating will be limited to 64.

Chronicler—Marian asked for an update for officer contacts from Brianna and Wilhelm. Her computer crashed on Sunday so there won't be a January RivenSTAR.

Student Org.—Wilhelm is trying to get a copy of the Compleat Anacronist to keep on hand for the new members.

New Business: Pieter sent in the Pale ad. Olwen will post a note to the Rivenlist for the feast tasting on 2/2. There may be more tastings after this one

because the cook's ideas haven't jelled yet, just like the Saints, a better sense of direction is needed.

Non SCA Business: Rocky still has 100% wool brown hats for .50. Also, if you like knitting and crocheting, she will post information about a huge yarn sale in Indy on Sunday 2/3. Takaya announced that Zarina (Lucy's) auction of household items will be this Friday evening at 5 PM in DeLand, IL. or see auctionzip.com lot number 31288. There are barnyard treasures to be had. Dani offered this: It is interesting to consider the wildlife in populated areas. They were chased away when people came but isn't it ironic that there is now a resurgence?



Practice Makes Perfect for Rivenstar Madrigal Singers

The Rivenstar Madrigal Singers under the able direction of Professor Pieter van Doorn, rehearse weekly in Room 204 of Stewart Center from 7:00 to

8:00 PM on Mondays. As Pieter puts it, "it is a social activity at which singing breaks out."

And an enjoyable social activity it is.



All this rehearsal culminates in at least two performances per year; at Christmas Court (pictured here) and



at the Spring Feast. This year they performed "The Holly and the Ivy" and "Ill Est Ne Le Divin Enfant".

In Memoriam Lord Emil Alluzissender (Ernest B. Clark)



March 15, 1958
January 13, 2013



*He who has gone, so we but cherish his memory, abides with us, more potent, nay, more present than the living man.
~ Antoine de Saint-Exupery*

Christmas Court *continued*



Feast Tasting *continued*

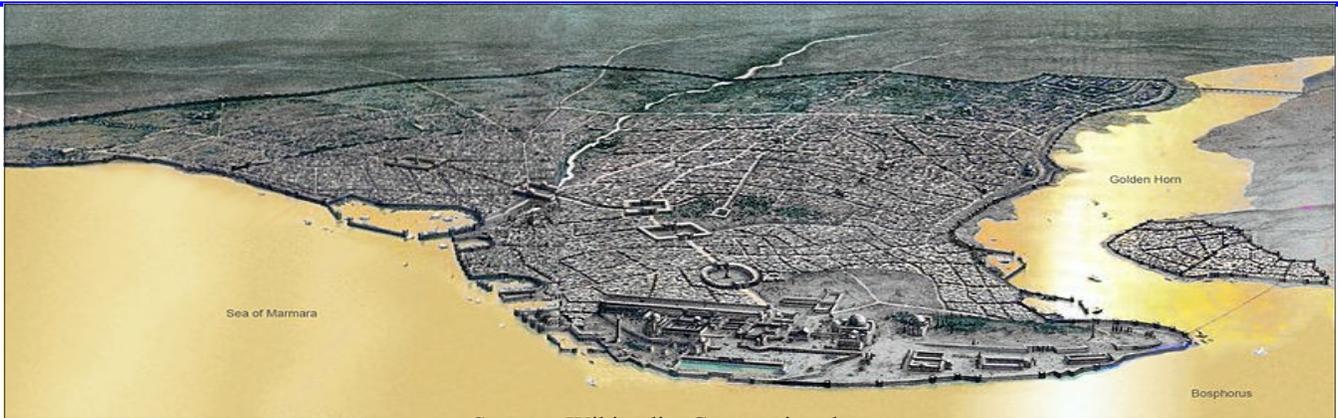
adventurous souls who so willingly offered up their taste buds in the cause of the Barony.



Rivenstar Rings in the New Year at Baroness Takaya's

Old friends and new were on hand to help ring in the new year in Dayton. The food was great and the company better, when the Barony members gathered together. Baron "Uncle" Moonwulf played and sang in one room while the television was helping to keep track for the big count-down. Then just after the big moment, some of the guys went out in the backyard to shoot off whistling rockets and sparkling fountains.





Source: Wikipedia, Constantinople entry.

Save the Date:
April 27, 2013

Three Saints
On the Road to
Constantinople

National Guard Armory
Dayton, IN

Same site as last year.

February 2013

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3	4 Madrigals (7) & Business mtg. (8) STEW 204	5	6 Armored practice: Purdue Armory 8-10	7	8	9
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March 2013

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11 Purdue's Spring Break this week.	11 Madrigals (7) & Business mtg. (8) STEW 311	12	13 Armored practice: Purdue Armory 8-10	14	15	16
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