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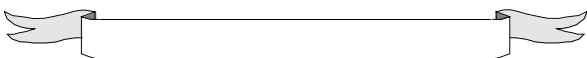


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Bullying and Harassment may be **overt**, as in the following non-inclusive list of examples:

- Verbal abuse, including using racial, homophobic, transphobic, ableist epithets, etc.
- Non-consensual physical contact, violence, or threatening gestures.
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Covert:

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The test for bullying is the reasonableness of the behavior and the impact of that behavior on the recipient. Participants engaging in bullying/harassment are subject to appropriate sanctions. If an individual believes they have been subjected to or have witnessed harassment, bullying, or retaliation, that person should contact a senechal, the President of the SCA, or that kingdom's Board Ombudsman.

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2024 Quarterly Board Meetings

January 28, 2024 – Virtual (Tentative)

April 21, 2024 – Virtual (Tentative)

July 21, 2024 – Virtual (Tentative)

October 20, 2024 – Virtual (Tentative)

Æthelmearc Royalty

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Murdoch Bayne and Ríoghnach ní Rose



prince@aethelmearc.org - princess@aethelmearc.org

Æthelmearc Kingdom Champions

Queen's Rapier Champion:

Baron Salvadore de la Torres

Cut and Thrust:

Don Robert MacEwin of Thornhill

Regalo de las Rosas

Maestro Orlando di Bene del Vinta

Heavy Weapons Champion:

THL Gareth Whytebull

Archery Champion:

Lord Yakub Al-Musafir

Thrown Weapons Champion:

Lady Nea Kimball

King's Equestrian Champion:

Lord Joel

Queen's Equestrian Champion:

Noble Megis Elmanou

Shield of Chivalry:

THL Halfdan

King's Bardic Champion (Dexter):

Master Donnan MacDubhsidhe

Queen's Bardic Champion (Sinister):

Maighstir Liam MacantSaoir

Kingdom Arts and Sciences Champion:

THL Fede di Fiore

Youth Arts and Sciences Champion:

John Robert

Youth Combat Champion:

Division 2 - Felix and Division 3 - Ragnar in Ronde

Brewing Champion:

Master Robert of Ferness

Youth Arts and Science Champion:

John Robert

Landed Barons & Baronesses of Æthelmearc

Barony Marche of the Debatable Lands

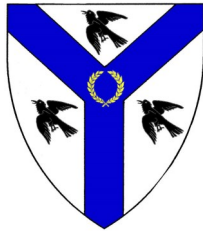
Violeta de Valencia and Aurelia Argentia Prima



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Barony of the Rhydderich Hael

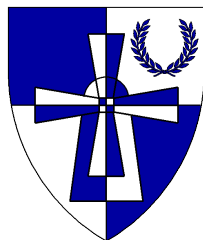
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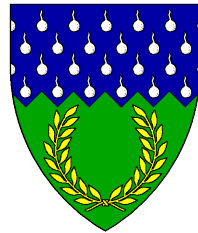
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<https://aethelmearc.org/groups/local-groups/the-seven-pearls>



From Their Majesties Gareth & Juliana



Greetings Nobles of Aethelmearc,

We are very pleased to see people traveling the Kingdom and beyond to practice art, valor and service. It is our hope that you have time during this holiday season to reconnect with those you value in our kingdom and make some new friends too. The connections we form with each other are what make our Kingdom so strong. It's also a good time to look at each other with new eyes and an opportunity to lay aside grudges and disagreements that some have with one another.

Our curia will be Friday night leading into Kingdom 12th night.

We look forward to sharing holiday spirit with everyone at Kingdom 12th night and many other events such as: BMDL Investiture, BMDL 12th night and Feast of 7 Deadly Sins: Lupercalia. We hope to see many of you there. Have a glorious holiday season!

Ad Glorium Aethelmearc

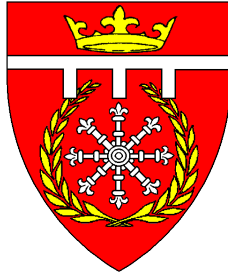
Gareth and Juliana, Rex and Regina Aethelmearc



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From Their Royal Highnesses

Noble populace, we send warm greetings to you and yours!



As our daylight hours shorten and events slow down for a brief time, we would ask that you take this opportunity to reflect on the progress made toward the goals you have set for yourself and how you have contributed to the growth of our Society. Now is the time to revisit those goals, tweak them as needed, or set new ones entirely. Allow yourself grace for facing any setbacks or challenges, and find inspiration in your fellow travelers on the path, whatever it may be. Be there for each other, encourage each other, lift each other up. Consider how you can inspire someone (you likely do, whether you realize it or not). Know that you and your efforts are valued.

As you find those who provide inspiration, good works, artistic endeavors, prowess in martial arts, or in any other area available, we would ask that you please tell the Royalty about them. We wish to be able to recognize the hard work, talent, and skill of Aethelmearc's people and we will need your help to do so. We also wish to ensure that our talented scribal community has ample time to work, so we would ask that you submit your award recommendations as early as possible.

Wishing you success in your ventures.

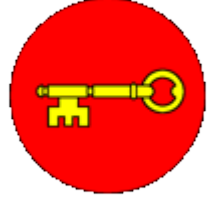
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Murdoch & Riognach

Prince and Princess of Aethelmearc

From the Kingdom Seneschal

Greetings Aethelmearc!



I hope everybody is having a wonderful time of this special season as days grow shorter and we must produce our own lights to cheer up the souls of our fellow subjects. We look upon the stores we set aside throughout the year to help us through this cold time, and think of ways to share this bounty with each other.

But even as we enjoy this time our work looks toward warmer times. Our springtime kingdom events are manifesting rapidly upon the kingdom calendar, and we keep a vigilant watch upon the borders for the distant stirrings of war. It is a good time to make plans and research things you want to make happen in the coming calendar year.

I would like to thank the local seneschals of our kingdom for filing their reports. I have greatly enjoyed reading of the goings on throughout the kingdom, and have reported upon the kingdom's happenings as is my duty.

Lastly, we are in need of a Deputy Seneschal for Region 1. You do not have to have extensive experience in the bureaucratic operations of the kingdom in order to hold the position; just a willingness to help and ability to read up on our rules and guiding principles. Please email me at the kingdom Seneschal's account at seneschal@aethelmearc.org if you are interested.

Barún Pádraig Ó Branduibh

From the Kingdom Chronicler

Hello Aethelmearc,



My ongoing reminders, I continue to encourage people to contribute to their local newsletters when they can. Contributions for the AEstel are welcome but space is limited, and the needs of

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local publics is far greater. If you live in an area that does not have a newsletter but are interested in contributing material feel free to reach out to my office and we will help you get in touch with Chroniclers who need content.

Please remember the deadline for the *Æstel* is the 5th of each month (unless a notice is sent to the Official Kingdom Mailing list indicating an earlier date). It is important to note that this deadline is for the following month's issue. For example, the deadline for the April issue of the *Æstel* is March 5th. The finalized newsletter must go to Corporate by the 10th of each month. Why is this important? When submitting events to the calendar if you submit event information after the deadline it is not going to make it into the *Æstel* for the proper month. Any updates to a current event submitted after the deadline will also not make it into the *Æstel*. Life happens and we will always work to accommodate people, but if your group can meet and decide on information, and meet *Æstel* deadlines, that is appreciated (looking at you Kingdom officers as well).

Magnus de Lyons

From the Kingdom Equestrian Officer

Equestrian Activity in 2023

We started the year 2023 with our monthly virtual meetings for equestrian marshals, and anyone else who is interested in horses or horse activities. This has been our second year of conducting these monthly meetings to learn from each other as we discuss situations where rules and regulations might have been challenged. As the previous year we review the society equestrian handbook, with the emphasis on an equestrian marshal's responsibility for running an equestrian event. This year, we were also joined by non-riders, i.e., autocrats, who desired information on running an event that included horses. Having non-equestrians participate in our meetings, was enlightening and created a great platform to learn from each other. We were challenged with questions from a non-equestrian's point of view, which often prompted additional questions. Topics equestrians are very familiar with and often don't even think about anymore were newly explained and hopefully answered through various dis-



cussions. This interaction reduced some concerns non-equestrians had when thinking about inviting horses to an event. I hope more autocrats will join our meeting in the following years. These meetings are recorded and posted on FB SCA Equestrian Group.

Topics during these monthly virtual meetings included discussions about how to grow the equestrian program within the SCA, how to create and run horse activities in a fun for participants and audience manner. It was during one of these meetings that members asked to create a separate supportive group for "Riding before the Prince/Sultan" activity. This group was established by THLady Gesa van Wellenstein during the summer months and is provides a platform to explore the art of historical horse training. The purpose for this group is to provide support to anyone who would like to gain a better understanding of the art of riding by discussing patterns documented by the old masters. Group members are studying one or two patterns at a time. Riders send in videos of their performance which were then reviewed by everyone. Epy Pengelly, Armiger hosted our first virtual review of our performance in September. Virtual reviews are recorded, open to everyone and are held every other month.

Another development which came about from our monthly virtual equestrian meetings is the creation of the Equestrian GOOGLE Map. This map reflects the locations of active equestrians, possible riding centers, public parks, and other horse friendly event sites. The purpose of this GOOGLE Map is to have a better visual of where active equestrians reside within the Kingdoms. We hope that a visualization will help event planners coordinate for most convenient event sites and travel distances for horse owners. Please feel free to use it when you plan your next event.

Besides our virtual activities, we had many successful in person events and practices throughout our kingdom. THLady Gesa van Wellenstein hosted a day of fun with mounted games and team activity at Roaring Run Equestrian Center in Apollo, PA in January.

In April we able to enjoy the Banner Carousell as part of the opening ceremony to the Queen's Rapier Championship at Clear View Stables in Oakdale, PA. THLady Gesa van Wellenstein, marshaled a day filled with non-horse activities for young and old to

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enjoy, as well as mounted game challenges. The populace was able to wage on their favorite jousting and war horses. The day ended with a spectacular royal joust and THLady Gesa van Wellenstein accepting Lord Yarden as her equerry.

The second annual Iris Festival at Beaver Falls Run Park, PA was well attended again, and included this year a mounted archery competition, in which our lovely Queen Kalista competed in as well. THLady Gesa van Wellenstein was eqMiC, but Lord Yarden sponsored the Baronial Equestrian Champion as the current equestrian champion. Lady Jacklyn of the Debatable Lands won the new title of Equestrian Champion of the Debatable Land. Lord Yarden won the mounted archery championship and Sarah Riddle was overall winner of the equestrian activities.

The Barony of Dominion of Myrkfaelinn hosted the Kingdom Equestrian Championship at Tioga County Fairgrounds, NY in September. Mistress Tirceline and Baron Master Rhion Elandris of Glyndrdwy as outgoing equestrian King' Champions conducted this year's kingdom equestrian championship. Lord Joel Jorah Geraldson was victorious and won as the King's Equestrian Champion. Noble Megis Élmanou was granted with the Queen's Equestrian Champion title. The event also included a mounted archery tournament in the Memory of Lord Ronan O'Conaill. Lord Yarden achieved the highest points and won this competition.

In preparation for getting ready for these events THLady Gesa van Wellenstein hosted various jousting and mounted archery practices as well as weekly equestrian practices at her farm in Gibsonia, PA. Mistress Cristina Ingean Ghriogair organized a great equestrian practice in August, to provide additional opportunities to practice for the upcoming equestrian championship.

Lord Yarden and THLady Gesa van Wellenstein attended out of Kingdom event, Highland Havoc, in Maryland, last November to support our friendly neighbors in Atlantia.

There is one more item of news to share, which is the re-activation of the Equestrian Guild in our Kingdom. THLady Gesa van Wellenstein, took up the reins to get this guild going again, with the support of the Royal Majesty and populace. The equestrian guild shall be a place for networking between many other skills (leather, wood, fiber, and other skills).

More information about the Equestrian Guild will be send out in the next few weeks.

As you can see we had a very productive and busy year, with so many fun filled equestrian activities in our Sylvan Kingdom of Æthelmearc. I can't wait to see what 2024 will bring.

Looking ahead, we are planning to continue with our two monthly virtual meetings, (Riding before the Prince, and Equestrian Marshall) and regular practices in Gibsonia, PA. Currently we have a few equestrian activities scheduled, including mounted archery clinic in February in Apollo, PA. Iris festival in June in Beaver, PA, and a mounted hunt later in the fall. More information as we get dates and sites secured in the next few days. Wishing everyone a pleasant transition from 2023 into the new year 2024.

In Service to our glorious Kingdom of Æthelmearc

THLady Gesa van Wellenstein

From the Chancellors of the Æcademy

To the well-educated people of Æthelmearc, GREETINGS! As we head into the New Year, we would note TWO upcoming sessions of the Æcademy!

First, our stand-alone Virtual Æcademy session will be held February 4th. Teacher registration is open at <<https://aeans.aethelmearc.org/virtual-aecademy-and-war-college-teacher-registration-winter-2024/>>. Further details on accessing the Virtual Æcademy will be forthcoming.

Second, the Spring/Summer 2024 session of the Æcademy and War College will be held on June 15th in the Shire of Herontir. Further details will be forthcoming.

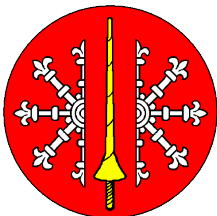
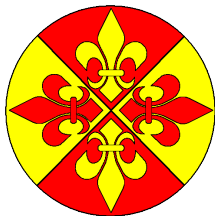
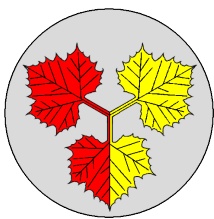
Finally, we are still looking for bids for the Fall 2024 session of the Æcademy and War College. The preferred date is November 9th. Rotation is to Region One (WV). Bids are due by April 1.

Keep learning and keep warm!
In service,

Fridrikr and Orianna

Help recognize the
hardworking people of
the Kingdom!

Please consider submitting
an award
recommendation!



A complete listing of the awards and
orders of Æthelmearc can be found
here:

[http://heraldry.aethelmearc.org/
resources/armory.html](http://heraldry.aethelmearc.org/resources/armory.html)

The award recommendation form can
be found here:

[https://aethelmearc.org/award-
recommendation-form/](https://aethelmearc.org/award-recommendation-form/)

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YOUR LOCAL NEWSLETTER NEEDS YOU!

Content is always welcome for the Æstel, but
space is often limited.

Please remember to contribute to your local
and independent newsletters.

They need your help.

Kingdom & Other Events

New Year's Resolutions 2024 January 1st, 2024 Hosted by: The Barony of Endless Hills

Dry, No Flames, Not Wheelchair Accessible, R3, Service Animals Only / No Pets, TRH Royal Progress

Donnan has a Party (and a writ!)... Nicolò has an Academy... and Kolfinna and Po... have New Year's Resolutions! "Fence MORE! More fencing is MORE FENCING!"

As has become the tradition, we'll give the New Year 12 hours head start and then come after it, smiling with rapiers in hand! We'll have space for fencing, tables for camaraderie, and of course, our traditional "bring a covered dish" buffet table.

There will be both the Endless Hills Baronial Rapier Championship as well as the "Don't take Anyone for Granted" Grants vs Non tournament, each with a Garnet tourney coin at stake... Plus time for additional tourneys and pickups.. games and shmoozing.. and who knows what else! (Steel Therapy is already conspiring tourney ideas.. Heh heh heh heh heh)

A mere \$5.00 for members, and \$10.00 for non-members...

January 1st, 2024, we'll be starting at Noon... And celebrating until 8pm or exhaustion, whichever arrives first.

01/01/2024 12p-8p
Coal Valley sports and events center
140 Narrows shopping center
Edwardsville, PA 18704 United States

Please use the dedicated rear parking lot and entrance.

Autocrat: Kolfinna Jodisardottir and Master Po Silvertop. Reservations are not required and payment will be accepted at the site. Make checks payable to SCA PA Inc- Barony of Endless Hills.

Barony of the Rhydderich Hael Baronial 12th night January 3rd, 2024 Hosted by: The Barony of the Rhydderich Hael

Baronial 12th night. This is a casual event in place of our normal practice. There will be a short Baronial meeting and Baronial court as needed after which people are welcome to join us for food, games, and contests.

Site: Eldredge Bicycle Club. 17 Broad Street Tonawanda, New York 14150 United States.

Times: 7:00 PM to 10: PM.

Cost: Free.

Garb: Optional.

Food: Potluck, bring a dish to pass. A list will be created and maintained to avoid duplications.

Drinks: You may bring soda as part of the pot luck or for personal use. Alcohol is available (only) at the club bar for an additional fee paid to the club.

Cook facilities: There are no cooking facilities available. There is power for slow cookers and power strips.

Autocrat: Baroness Thalia Papillon (Vanessa Kazmark). Email Address: v_girl15@hotmail.com

Kingdom Curia of Gareth and Juliana IV **announcement**

R3, TRH Royal Progress, TRM Royal Progress

January 12, 2024 @ 8:00 pm - 11:30 pm

King Gareth and Queen Juliana will be holding their Curia Regis in person on January 12th, the night before Kingdom 12th Night, 8pm at the event site. If possible I will host a zoom meeting for those who can not be in attendance, but that will largely be dependent on my phone's ability to get a signal in the building, which I can not easily ascertain in advance.

I would appreciate it if the kingdom officers could have their reports to me a week in advance so I can update my agenda.

– Barún Pádraig

Kingdom 12th Night January 13th, 2024 Hosted by: The Barony of St. Swithin's Bog

No Flames, No Weapons, Not Wheelchair Accessible, R3, Service Animals Only / No Pets, TRH Royal Progress, TRM Royal Progress, Wet

Come one, come all and enjoy the delights of Kingdom 12th Night! Including the Kingdom A&S Championship!

Information here:

<https://aeans.aethelmearc.org/kingdom-arts-sciences-championship-2024/>

Date: 1/13/2024
Time: 9 AM – 7 PM (site closes following court)

Location: Johnstown Masonic Event & Conference Center, 130 Valley Pike, Johnstown, PA 15905 in the Barony of St. Swithin's Bog.

This event will have an all-day day board of delights. Pre-registration is necessary for the day board.

Dayboard:

Youth <5 years old: Free

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All others: \$10
Event:
Youth <5 years old: Free
Youth <18 years old: \$5
Adults: \$15
Adult member fee: \$10

Make checks payable to "SCA PA, Inc
– Barony of St. Swithin's Bog".

Your hosts are:
Baroness Elena de la Palma (Logistics Autocrat) –
elenadelapalma@gmail.com 916-704-2367 mka Dawn Sauer (text, email, or FB messenger preferred, no calls after 9 PM please). 491 Westgate Drive, State College, PA 16803.

THL Cassiano da Castello (Fun Stuff Autocrat) –
caszembra@gmail.com 610-212-5471 mka Cas Zemba (text, email, or FB messenger preferred, no calls after 9 PM please). 907 W. Water Street, Bellefonte, PA 16823.

Shire of Coppertree 12th Night January 19th, 2024 Hosted by: The Shire of Coppertree

Please join the Shire of Coppertree for an evening of festivity and misrule, as we mark the traditional end of the festive period with a Twelfth Night celebration! Our Feast of Fools will be a potluck dinner and party held at the American Legion Helmuth-Ingalls Post 232 in Franklin Springs, NY, on the evening of Friday, January 19th.

The party starts at 6 PM and will continue until 10 PM. The Shire will be providing potluck food, paper products, and non-alcoholic drinks via a sign-up sheet located at: <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/12E-z1xtMTVNHutNz2M2-qe7Fq9neh0t2O2-KgovtkB8/edit?usp=sharing>

Due to the potluck nature of the event, we cannot guarantee that any of the food presented will meet anyone's die-

tary or allergy restrictions. Ingredient cards will be provided on-site, and will be accurate to the best of our abilities, however our abilities are often questionable at best. The good news is that it's a potluck, so if you have dietary restrictions or allergies you are invited to bring something to share that you're sure you can eat.

Beer, wine, and spirits can be purchased at the Legion Bar on-site - this is NOT a BYOB party; all alcohol must be purchased from the Legion Bar.

The Event Autocrat is Baron Snorri skyti Bjarnarson (mka David Haldenwang, hivemind@mvgc.net). The event is free, but if you are attending you are expected to bring food to share. Please sign up at the above link.

The event address is:

American Legion Helmuth-Ingalls Post 232
3627 NY-12B
Clinton, NY 13323

If you're local and know your way around, take 12B out of Clinton headed south, past McDonalds, and keep going about 3/4 of a mile. The Legion Hall is on the right. If you're coming from out of town to join us, take the NY Thruway I-90 to the Westmoreland exit 32 and take Route 233 South to the end. Turn left onto Route 12B and go a half mile, the Legion Hall will be on the left.

We hope to see our friends there!
Come celebrate with us!

Shire of Sylvan Glen 12th Night January 20th, 2024 Hosted by: The Shire of Sylvan Glen

Oyez! Oyez! The Shire of Sylvan Glen invites all revelers to attend our Twelfth Night Celebrations. Event is potluck, please bring a dish to share. There is limited electricity for hot-held items. Event is hosted at the hospitali-

ty of our Shire, there is no site fee. There will be a Viking Gift Exchange so please bring a gift to exchange. The site is limited to 100 so there is a pre-registration and any overflow will be waitlisted.

Please register at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040545AAAB22A5F85-46726079-shire>

Site: The Station at Shepherdstown
100 Audrey Egle Dr Shepherdstown,
WV 25443 United States

Times: 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Autocrat: Lord Brunnolfr Rauoskegger
(Chris Hegenbart) -
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No flames, No weapons, Service animals only, wet site.

SCADEI Collegium

January 20, 2024

****Virtual Event****

Presented by

The Kingdom of An Tir

The Kingdom of An Tir presents SCADEIcollegium !!! SCADEI Collegium is happening January 20, 2024, and we need YOU to support it virtually, from the comfort of your own device!

This Collegium will be a virtual educational event with classes, demos, and social activities for participants and leaders interested in learning about the SCA Core Values of acting with fairness (equity), practicing inclusiveness, and respecting diversity. We are looking for teachers for all aspects of equity and inclusion in the SCA. We also need staff (wordpress website coordinator, zoom coordinator, zoom moderators). Classes will be scheduled around the clock to accommodate international participation, so there is room for you to teach and participate at a time convenient to you!

Event website:

<https://scadei.wordpress.com/>

Kingdom & Other Events

Teacher sign up:

<https://forms.gle/XgJwLYByzNEgXKeb7>

Support sign up:

<https://forms.gle/A8wHBv43uqrMB1Q76>

Virtual Known World Heralds and Scribes Symposium (KWHSS)

January 26, 2024

Virtual Event

Virtual event. Please check Kingdom website for updates:

<https://aethelmearc.org/event/virtual-known-world-heralds-and-scribes-symposium-kwhss>

Debatable Lands 12th Night January 27th, 2024 Hosted by: The Barony Marche of the Debatable Lands

Contained Flames, Not Wheelchair Accessible, R2, Service Animals Only / No Pets, TRM Royal Progress, Wet

The Barony Marche of the Debatable Lands invites all revelers to attend their 12th Night celebration, to be held January 27, 2024 at the Lodge at North Park. The site has no street address, but is listed in Google Maps as the North Park Lodge on North Ridge Dr. Allison Park, PA 15101. Site will be open from 9 A.M. until 8 P.M.

The Honorable Lady Elss of Augsburg (Roxanne Hayeslip) and Lady Arthes of BMDL (Brandy Straub) will be your autocrats for this event. They can be reached at elss.of.augsburg@gmail.com (724) 759-3333 or arthesofbmdl@gmail.com (412) 352-0978

Come and celebrate the passing of another year. Be entertained by our comedia group, I Genesii, the Debatable Choir and enjoy the hospitality of the Brewers guild. Bid on treasures in our Auction of Highly Desirable items, bring an entry for the cookie making competition, play games, and tell tales or sing songs around our outdoor fire.

Event is potluck, please bring a dish to share. There is limited electricity for hot-held items. Event is hosted at the hospitality of our barony, there is no site fee.

Additional notes on Wheelchair Accessibility: There are two entrances to this building that are wheelchair accessible, unfortunately to get from one floor to the other you must go outside or be able to use the stairs.

Additional Notes on Alcohol Policy: No glass containers.

Additional Notes on Flames: No fires inside building; outdoor fires must be in an elevated fire pit.

Steltonwald 12th Night January 27th, 2024 Hosted by: The Shire of Steltonwald

Cash Bar, No Flames, Not Wheelchair Accessible, R2, Service Animals Only / No Pets, Tied Weapons Only

It is time once again to break out your finest garb and join us for Steltonwald's 12th Night. Let us celebrate the holidays on a festive and joyous night in the renowned Wine Cellar at The Wooden Angel, 308 Leopard Lane, Beaver, PA 15009 on Saturday, January 27, 2024, at 5:30 pm.

Pre-registration is required for this event and all reservations must be paid by 1/15/24. Seating is limited to 40 people. This will be a sit-down dinner and with your reservation, please state your choice of dinner, 1) Sauteed Chicken Breast Piccata, 2) Skillet Roasted Beef Medallions with Diane Sauce or 3) Broiled English Style Cod

W/ Crab Butter. For dietary restrictions please contact the autocrat.

Please fill out this form to pre-register and submit your dinner choice:

<https://forms.gle/qfd57WD2VA3MUKDB8>

The Cost for dinner is \$45.00 per person. (There is no site fee, but you must have a dinner reservation to attend) Soft drinks are included and there will be a cash bar available.

After dinner entertainment will ensue with the traditional Mongolian Grab bag. Suggested gift price is \$25.00. Please bring a wrapped gift if you would like to participate.

The Autocrat for the event is Alessandra d'Avignon (Colleen Kardasz) 412-670-1545 –

alessandradavignon@gmail.com Please send your paid reservations to Colleen Kardasz 2847 Pioneer Drive, Ambridge, PA 15003.

If we exceed our 40 person cap, we will start a waitlist.



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Events - “at a glance” January 2024

- January 1st, 2024** New Year’s Resolutions 2024, The Barony of Endless Hills
- January 3rd, 2024** Barony of the Rhydderich Hael Baronial 12th night ,The Barony of
- January 12th, 2024** Kingdom Curia of Gareth and Juliana IV,
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