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# Letter from the Baron and Baroness

Greetings Dear Populace, Gem of Atenveldt,

Coronation has passed and once again, we are blessed with a Southern Crown. Show them all the love and support you can, as their Majesties have a tremendous job ahead, leading us into the Estrella war. If you are a fighter, rapier or armored, show up to practice and travel to the kingdom war practices. If you are an artisan, put your skills to the test in the Estrella war arts and science competition, teach and take classes. And everyone, please volunteer this year. Simply putting in an hour or two can make a big difference if enough people do it. And lastly on Estrella, pre-register if you plan on camping with the Barony, as this is the way land is to be given out to the baronies this year. There is a whole article on land in this issue of the Tusker, please read it carefully.

As with Coronation, Southern Crusades is now past us, though the memories linger on. We had a wonderful time this year, with beautiful weather, good company and more things to do than we could possibly manage. It was quite possibly one of the best Southern Crusades that we've ever had. The river was flowing, the park was in the best shape that it's ever been and there were more merchants than you could shake a stick at. Not to mention some brilliant fighting on both the rapier and armored fields.

Coming up this month, we have the Tournament of Virtues and Vices, and Mons's Yule. Both will be fun events and everyone is encouraged to attend. If you haven't been to a Yule in Mons, the food is always incredible.

And in January, we have the Knight of the Tree tournament, which is also polling. The letters of intent were in last month's newsletter so know who your candidates are, talk to them and decide who you would like to be your next Baron and Baroness. Polling is your chance to express that opinion to the Crown, which conveniently enough, lives in the barony. And remember; get your membership in early, as you have to be a member to poll, with the added bonus that if you get it in now, you will have it for Estrella as well.

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**Boar-onial  
Announcements**  
*Help Wanted*



**Baronial Knight Marshal**

*open until filled*

We are looking for a Baronial Knight Marshal. Requirements are having hardsuit authorization, being familiar with the rules, having dedication to make practice regularly and monthly officers meetings as frequently as possible, in addition to filing a monthly report. Also, being available to marshal or organize marshal for local events. Any individual should send letters of intent to Their Excellencies Ivan and Ianuk at tybaron@gmail.com and tybaroness.com and to Lady Perin, the Baronial Senechal, at mladyperin@yahoo.com.

**Exchequer**

open March 2, 2009

The Exchequer is the Treasurer for the local group. We are looking for an individual who will be able to work with the Baronial Financial Committee, attend events and man Troll, and submit quarterly reports to the Financial Committee and the Kingdom Exchequer. More information on the office can be found in the handbook located at <http://sca.org/docs/finpolicies/LocalExchequerHandbook.pdf>

If you have questions, please contact Lord Samir, the current Exchequer (also called Reeve) at btyreeve@gmail.com, Their Excellencies at tybaron@gmail.com and tybaroness@gmail.com, or Lady Perin at tyseneschal@gmail.com. Letters of Intent can also be directed to these individuals. Thank you!

**Deputy Youth Combat Marshal**

*open until filled*

We are in need of a deputy youth combat marshal. This position requires that you be authorized in hardsuit combat and have an understanding of the youth combat rules. Any individuals interested should send a letter of intent to Their Excellencies and the Baronial Marshal. Any questions can be directed to Lady Mina Fioravanti or Lord Thomas d'Revel

**Deputy Chatelaine**

*open until filled*

If you are interested or have any questions, please send an email to btygoldkey@gmail.com

## **Tusker Cover Artist**

*Open March, 2009*

We are searching for a talented Gentle to replace Mistress Devora as the cover artist for the Tusker. Individual will be responsible for providing artwork for the cover monthly, as well as interior drawings at the artists discretion. Artwork is best sent digitally (open to discussion on format) or on 8.5" x 11" paper to fit in a scanner.

If the idea of being responsible for artwork every month is daunting, please don't hesitate to contact us anyways! It would be wonderful to have multiple members of our talented populace to help share the work

If you have questions, please contact Lady Zofia at [tychronicler@gmail.com](mailto:tychronicler@gmail.com). Please send a letter of intent to Their Excellencies at [tybaron@gmail.com](mailto:tybaron@gmail.com) and [tybaroness@gmail.com](mailto:tybaroness@gmail.com), or Lady Perin at [tyseneschal@gmail.com](mailto:tyseneschal@gmail.com). Thank you!

Just because an office is not advertising for a deputy does not mean that they don't need your help! Talk to the officers if you are interested in learning more, or join us at our monthly populace meetings.

**Correction:** The artwork on the cover of the November Tusker was courtesy of m'lady Icka and not Mistress Devora as originally published. I am sorry for the mistake.

*-Zekel Zofia, Chronicler*

## **Officer Corner**

December Populace and Officer Meeting

We will be meeting Wednesday, December 17, at 7 pm.

We will be in the 3rd floor conference room of Campus Health, 1224 E.

Lowell St, just northwest of 6th Street and Highland. The conference room is on the southwest side of the building. Free parking is available in the parking lot west of the 6th street parking garage and in parking lots on the south side of 6th Street off of Fremont or Highland. Be advised that the garage's hours have changed and parking there is no longer free. If you have business for the meeting, please contact Perin ([tyseneschal@gmail.com](mailto:tyseneschal@gmail.com)).

## Upcoming Baronial Arts & Sciences Nights

Dec. 10, 2008

Please see the flyer on page 8

Jan. 14, 2009

Heraldic Clothing  
by HRM Cecilia Mowebray, O.L. (tentatively scheduled)

Kumihumo  
by Lord Frodi Farmannson (rescheduled from October)

More About Metal Casting  
by Master Iago Goff, O.L.

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Feb. 2009

No A&S Night due to Estrella War.

Please sign up to teach classes. See the Website (<http://www.estrellawar.org/Activities/ArtsandSciences/CollegiumClasses.aspx>) for more information.

Please enter the Artisan's Showcase. See the Website (<http://www.estrellawar.org/Activities/ArtsandSciences/ArtisanShowcase.aspx>) for more information.

Please enter the A&S Competition for War Points. See the Website (<http://www.estrellawar.org/Activities/ArtsandSciences/ArtsAndSciencesCompetition.aspx>) for more information, but the categories are:

Measuring ("Scientific") Instruments - Includes any working tool modeled after those used prior to 1600 AD to measure or compare the magnitude of any physical properties or combinations thereof (e.g., length, time, angle, distance, etc). A single tool or a set of tools used for one specific set of measurements may be entered.  
Metal Weapons - Includes forms of weapons used prior to 1600 AD where the "killing end" is formed of a single finished piece metal

(e.g., blades, metal arrowheads, axe and hammer heads, spear points, etc.). The primary focus of the judging will be the metal portion of the weapon entered. Siege engine and powder-driven projectiles are specifically excluded.

Silver-Based Entry - A single entry that uses silver in some way that best displays the use of the metal in a pre-1600 AD context. Judging will take into account how silver is featured in the entry. Hazardous and/or toxic materials used in a manner that may expose judges and audience to harm are expressly forbidden, and use of any such materials must be detailed within the documentation. This Category has been selected, because this year celebrates the "silver anniversary" of Estrella War.

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Mar. 11, 2009

Making Leather Pouches  
by Sir Roland Ansbacher

Other classes welcome. Please contact me offlist.





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# LAURELS FAIRE!

UNTO THE POPULACE OF TIR YSGITHR,  
do I, Mistress Magdalen Venturosa, Pel., send greetings!

On the 10<sup>th</sup> day of December in the evening hours of 7-9  
p.m., the Barony of Tir Ysgithr Arts & Sciences Night  
will host a

## LAURELS FAIRE!

You are cordially invited to participate in this fine arts &  
sciences night!

The idea is that the Laurels Faire is set up much like an  
Artisans' Showcase, but in the reverse... We ask the  
members of the Order of the Laurel to display their pro-  
jects, those completed and works in process – and sit  
and speak with you, the populace, to share ideas, edu-  
cate and support you in your endeavors as artisans.

As our Arts & Sciences Night falls in December, we will  
also host a Sops & Pottages evening in concert with the  
Laurels Faire and we ask all who wish to bring a warm-  
ing soup, a savory stew, a tasty bread, a dozen or so  
cookies or other nibbles for all to enjoy.

Arts & Sciences Night is held at the University of Arizona Campus at the Campus Health Center, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor at 1224 E. Lowell St., just northwest of 6<sup>th</sup> Street and Highland. For info on parking, please contact the Event Steward, Mistress Magdalen or A&S Minister, Lord Vallawulf.

Please come to the Laurels Faire!

Wed., Dec. 10, 2008, 7-9:30 p.m.

Hosted by the Barony of Tir Ysgithr  
Mistress Magdalen Venturosa, Pel., Event Steward  
[magdalen67@gmail.com](mailto:magdalen67@gmail.com); 520/258-8705 (cell) or  
520/243-6946 (work)

Lord Vallawulf Rurikson, A&S Minister  
[vallawulf@aol.com](mailto:vallawulf@aol.com); 480/275-0232 (cell)

**DO JOIN US!**



## *The Tournament of the Virtues (and Vices!)*



Barony of Tir Ysgithr

December 14, 2008

Their Excellencies Ivan and Ianuk, the most Splendid and Courteous Baron and Baroness of Tir Ysgithr, have graciously given leave for a great tournament and pageant of arms to be held in their lands, for the pleasure of the populace. To that end, I, Sir Wulfhere Forloren, carry the following invitation to all men of armes within the glorious lands of Atenveldt.

Come forth, you gentlemen of armes, to the Gem of Atenveldt! Come, you who doubt not your prowess and your virtue! Upon the feast day of Saint Venantius the Fortunate, the 14th day of December, there will be a very noble tournament with armes of peace, with banners and grand heraldry of noble tourneyers, as befits the ancient and noble Barony of Tir Ysgithr. And this shall be in the ancient style of the tournaments of Arthur's Round Table, as our ancestors greatly delighted in, and it shall be known as the Tournament of the Virtues.

Come to face the Tournament of the Virtues, where your mettle will be tested by the Bright Champions of Virtue and the Dark Defenders of Vice. Bring your heralds! Bring your panoply! Come to tourney!

Combat in the Lists: A Passage of Arms shall be held, punctuated by three Grand Melees. Combatants are encouraged to have their heralds issue challenges prior to the first melee, that they might increase their fame before the ladies of the Barony. All are

### **WANT TO GO?**

- **What:** The Tournament of the Virtues (and Vices)
- **When:** December 14, 2008
- **Where:** Himmel Park, Tucson
- **Site Fee:** Adults \$2, Youth under 17 \$1 Children under 5— free

assured great exercise of arms upon this day!  
Contests Sharpen your wits as well as your swords, for prowess is not the only virtue to be tested in this place. A contest of riddles is proposed (both composing and answering) such that the gallery may learn of the fighters' wit and courtly graces.

A prize shall also be offered to that herald whose speech is fairest and most noble, who best represents their worthy art before the populace. Come forth, heralds, bearing your wittiest phrases, your most golden words!

Schedule The site opens at 10 am, with opening court at their Excellencies' discretion. Site will close at 4 pm, with closing court at their Excellencies' discretion.

Site Fees \$2 for members and \$5 for non-members. Children under 17 will be \$1, with children 5 and under attending for free.

Directions to Himmel Park:

(From the North) Take I-10 east to Tucson. Approach Tucson on I-10 East. Take the Prince Road Exit, Number 254. Turn east (left) onto Prince Road and proceed to 1st Avenue. Turn south (right) and travel about 3 miles to Speedway Blvd. Turn east (left) and travel about 2 miles to Tucson Blvd. Turn south (right) and take the first left (east) onto 1st Street. Past Treat Avenue, you will see Himmel Park to the south. Park in the lot behind the library or upon the streets around the park.

(From the South or East) Take I-10 West, exit north on Kino (Campbell), turn right on Speedway, right on Tucson, then left onto 1st Street to parking lot behind Library.

**Site Restrictions** The site is DAMP (Beer Only) and glass containers are not permitted. All pets must be leashed. The site has water and privies.

**Contact Info:** Sir Wulfhere Forloren (James MacKenzie), 8750 N. Holly Brook Ave., Tucson, AZ 85742

**([Escutcheon@AOL.com](mailto:Escutcheon@AOL.com))**, (520) 572-7039

(I am indebted to Baron Robert Downey of the Midrealm, whose noble words inspired whatever is worthy within this invitation. Anything ignoble, I surely coined myself. – Wulfhere)

# *Barony of Tir Ysgithr Baronial Polling*

January 17, 2009

Barony of Tir Ysgithr

## **Guidelines for Baronial Polling**

Unto the populace of the Barony of Tir Ysgithr:

A polling of the current paid members of the Barony of Tir Ysgithr will be conducted on January 17, 2009 at Barony of Tir Ysgithr Knight of the Tree Tournament. The polling will be held from 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm. If the results of that polling do not show a clear preference, a second run-off polling will be held immediately following the closing and tabulation of ballots from the first poll. Members are encouraged to remain onsite should a second poll be necessary.

To participate in the polling, you must possess a valid SCA membership that is listed in the zip codes assigned to the Barony of Tir Ysgithr and be eighteen years of age or older. Current membership will be verified on a membership list at the polling site, or you may present an online membership renewal confirmation that is dated after the Milpitas Registry Office List was generated. **A driver's license or government picture ID will also be required to be shown to prove age and identity.**

There may be some SCA members who do not reside within the zip codes currently assigned to the Barony but who play exclusively in the Barony and consider themselves as active members of the group. These individual will be allowed to cast a ballot of a different color after signing a statement agreeing to not participate in the polling of any other group in the kingdom for the next three years.

### **Absentee Ballots**

Proxy ballots are NOT allowed. If you are unable to attend the polling, you may follow the procedures below to submit an Absentee Ballot Letter. **No exceptions** will be made to the timeline

or contents for an Absentee ballot to be counted, so review the requirements carefully, and send your letters in as soon as the candidates are announced.

You must write a letter to the Kingdom Seneschal stating your preference in the poll. Your absentee ballot must be RECEIVED by January 10 to be counted. DO NOT require a signature at delivery on a mailed ballot, as that will delay delivery. If there is a second polling, absentee ballots will only be counted if the preferred candidates remain in the run-off polling. Your letter must include ALL of the following

- The names of one and only one couple you prefer as candidates.
- Your modern and SCA name and the mailing address for your membership, including zip code.
- Proof of membership (Any one of membership number, photocopy of membership card, photocopy of *Southwind* label, photocopy of confirmation printout from online membership renewal)
- Photocopy of a driver's license or government ID showing your modern name, zip code, and proof that you are 18 years of age or older.

If you do not reside within the zip codes currently assigned to the Barony but consider yourself as a member thereof, your absentee ballot must include the following signed statement: "I consider myself a member of the populace of the Barony of Tir Ysgithr and promise the Crown of Atenveldt that I will not cast a ballot in any polling for another group within the Kingdom for three years following January 17, 2009."

Send the absentee ballot by US Mail or email **to arrive by January 10** to Jeni Patton, 6058 S Calle Lima, Hereford, AZ 85615, [seneschal@atenveldt.org](mailto:seneschal@atenveldt.org)

In Service to the Crown and Kingdom of Atenveldt,  
Meistres Gwenllian  
Kingdom Seneschal

## *Yule Court*

**Barony March of Mons Tonitrus**

**December 6, 2008**

All hail and well met from the Mountains of Thunder! The Barony March of Mons Tonitrus invites one and all to come join our annual Yule Feast on December 6, 2008. Please join us for an evening of feasting, dancing, and friendship that cannot be found at any other time or place. The site will open at 4:00 PM. Court will begin with a Grand Processional and feast will follow immediately after court. The feast menu will be available on request, and we also ask that populace members bring a dessert for all to share.

The event will be held at the American Legion, 12 Theater Dr, Sierra Vista, AZ. This is a dry site, however, beverages of choice may be purchased from the American Legion. Smoking is prohibited within the building, and no pets except aide animals are allowed.

**Site fees:** \$12 Adult members, \$15 Adult non-members. \$8 for youth ages 10-17. Youth under 10 are FREE. Feast is included in the site fees. Pre-registration will be available via ACCEPS, with a \$2 discount on adult pre-registrations.

**Directions:** From the north: From I-10, take Exit 302 towards Sierra Vista/Ft Huachuca and head south on Hwy 92. At the Main Gate of Ft Huachuca (Fry Blvd), turn left. Turn left again on 2nd St and left again on Theater Dr. The American Legion Hall is on the southwest corner of 1st St. and Theater Dr.

Directions from other points are available by contacting the event steward, or you may refer to the map on the BMMT website (<http://www.geocities.com/monstonitrus/calendar/yule.html>).

**Event Steward:** Friedrich Sybold (Phillip Seibel)  
doc.seibel@gmail.com, 520-226-7374

### **WANT TO GO?**

**What:** Yule Court

**When:** December 6, 2008

**Where:** From the north: From I-10, take Exit 302 towards Sierra Vista/Ft Huachuca and head south on Hwy 92. At the Main Gate of Ft Huachuca (Fry Blvd), turn left. Turn left again on 2nd St and left again on Theater Dr. The American Legion Hall is on the southwest corner of 1st St. and Theater Dr.

**Site Fee:** Adults \$12, Youth 17-10 \$8 under 10 FREE

**Feast Steward:** Lord Thomas de Lacy (Cliff Brown)  
ClffrdBrw@aol.com, 520-458-9155

## *Kingdom 12th Night*

**Barony of Atenveldt**

**January 3, 2009**

The New Year has arrived and with Estrella fast approaching it is time for our Kingdom to dance and revel so “welcome on an all to our Kingdom 12th Night!”

The design will be Black & White so feel free to come in whatever time-period you prefer and dress in all your finery. Masks are welcome for those wishing accessories but are not required.

This will be a social event with activities for everyone progressing throughout the day and into the evening. Dancing and Gaming for adults with Mask making for the Youth. Court will be held at Their Majesties pleasure.

The evening will have a desert-competition with all members of the populous welcome to participate and judge. The best tasting and best themed dessert will be announced at the end of the revel.

There will be a silent auction to raise funds for the Royal Feast at Estrella, please contact the Auction coordinator with donations for this wonderful event and be sure to bring pennies to take home something wonderful!

The Estrella Gift-basket coordinator will be gracing us with a presentation of the items donated this year, please remember to thank all our wonderful artisans for their contributions.

**Site:** Scottsdale Jaycees Clubhouse, 8102 E, Jackrabbit Rd, Scottsdale, AZ 85250

**Directions:** *From South (Tucson)* Take I-10 north to Phoenix, take Exit 161 to Loop 202E, merge onto Loop 101 (exit50A0). Take the Chaparral Rd exit (46) and turn left. Turn right onto Granite Reef Rd, turn left onto Jackrabbit Rd. *From North (Flagstaff)* Take I-17 South to Phoenix, merge onto Loop 101 East (exit 214C). Take McDonald Drive (exit 45) turn right. Turn left onto Granite Reef Rd, turn right onto Jackrabbit Rd.

### **WANT TO GO?**

**What:** Kingdom 12th Night

**When:** January 3, 2009

**Where:** Scottsdale Jaycees Clubhouse, 8102 E, Jackrabbit Rd, Scottsdale, AZ 85250

**Site Fee:** Adults \$12,  
Youth 17-10 \$8 under 10  
FREE

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College of St. Felix: <http://clubs.asua.arizona.edu/~stfelix>

Tir Ysgithr Mailing List: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/TirYsgithr>

Rapier Mailing list: <http://sports.groups.yahoo.com/group/tir-rapier/>

#### **Fighter Practices, Training & Group Gatherings**

**Baronial Fighter Practice:** This is an opportunity for everyone in our barony to come together and practice armored combat (including melee), rapier, youth combat, European and Middle Eastern dancing, musical instruments (including bagpipes and drums), arts projects and games. It is an informal social gathering of friends, where we meet and greet and distribute the newsletter. Everyone is encouraged to attend. Garb is NOT required. Fighter Practice is held every Tuesday night from 7-10 p.m. at Reid Park (SW corner of 22<sup>nd</sup> Street & Country Club). For more information, contact any member of the Marshallate or Officer Corps (listed in our Panjandrum on the inside cover of the newsletter). Hardsuit: Lady Mina Fioravanti. Rapier: THL Maximilian Chance.

**Populace Business & Officers Meeting:** On the third Wednesday of each month, beginning at 7 p.m., Their Excellencies meet with their officers and populace to review baronial business matters. The populace is encouraged to attend and bring with them any new ideas, questions or concerns they might have. Populace members are also encouraged to consider joining the officer corps. Garb is NOT required. The meeting is held at the University of Arizona's Campus Health Bldg. (1224 E. Lowell Street, just northwest of 6<sup>th</sup> Street & Highland). The meeting is held in the 3rd floor conference room on the southwest side of building. Parking is free after 5 p.m. in the lots west of the 6<sup>th</sup> Street garage, south of 6<sup>th</sup> Street, just off Highland and off Fremont, and at a discounted rate after 5 p.m. in the 6<sup>th</sup> Street garage. For more information, contact Lady Perin de la Serena (tyseneschal@gmail.com, 520/409-5403).

**Archery Practice:** For more information, please contact milord Johannes Cunctator (johannes@greatdarkhorde.com, 520/991-6230).

**Youth Fighter Practice:** Held during baronial Fighter Practice (see above) for ages 6-16. Parents will need to attend to sign the youth waiver and watch their youth. Some loaner armor is available. For more information, please contact Lord Thomas d'Revel (tjacobs@jacobsazlaw.com(520) 907-8659).

**Rapier Practice:** All those who wish to practice their skill with the blade should join us each Tuesday evening at Baronial Fighter Practice (see above) We often have fighters from throughout the Kingdom join us for pick-ups and melees. For more information, please contact His Lordship Maximilian Chance, [chance@weatherstock.com](mailto:chance@weatherstock.com).

**Arts Night:** Arts Nights are held on the second Wednesday of each month (except February and November) at the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor conference room of Campus Health from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm. Campus Health is located at 1224 E Lowell St, just northwest of 6<sup>th</sup> Street and Highland. Parking is available in parking lots west of the 6<sup>th</sup> street garage, south of 6<sup>th</sup> Street off of Highland and Fremont, and for a reduced rate after 5 pm in the 6<sup>th</sup> street garage. Each month a number of arts classes are offered. Garb is Encouraged. Contact Lord Vallawulf Rurikson for more information at [vallawulf@aol.com](mailto:vallawulf@aol.com), (480)275-0232 or see the related article in this issue.

**Dance Practice:** Mistress Elaine and Sir Wulfere teach English and Italian Country and Court dances regularly at our Baronial Fighter Practice and at selected Arts Nights. For more information, please contact Mistress Elaine o Llansteffan at 572-7039. Middle Eastern dance is also informally taught at Fighter Practice, please follow the sound of the drums or join in with the dancing ladies.

**Heraldry Hut:** Heraldry Hut is held on the third Friday of each month beginning at 7:00 pm. This is an opportunity for gentles throughout the kingdom to consult with our Kingdom Submissions Herald, Mistress Marta as tu Mika-Myслиwy, on a suitable SCA Name, Device or Badge. For directions or more information please contact Mistress Marta at (520) 881-9492 [bagbaazai@nexiliscom.com](mailto:bagbaazai@nexiliscom.com)

**The Cooks Guild:** Cooks Guild is a gathering of those interested in period cooking and recipes. Each month, a different food theme is chosen and participants are encouraged to prepare and bring a dish following the theme, to share. Cooks Guild meets the third Wednesday of every month, starting at 7:30 pm. Site changes monthly. Please contact Mistress Marta at (520) 881-9492 [bagbaazai@nexiliscom.com](mailto:bagbaazai@nexiliscom.com).

**Gutenberg School of Scribes:** Classes are offered for those gentles interested in Calligraphy, Illumination and Scrollwork. All levels of skill are welcome! The Gutenberg Scribes teach and learn from one another. Classes meet every Thursday evening from 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm. For more information contact Mistress Dairine Mor O hUigin at (520) 721-8346 [gael@chivalrysports.com](mailto:gael@chivalrysports.com) or our Baronial Scribe, Lady Shoshana 733-7368, [msshoshana@aol.com](mailto:msshoshana@aol.com)

**The College of St. Felix:** Specifically directed to those gentles who are Students, Faculty, Staff and Alumni of the University of Arizona. St. Felix is the SCA at the U of A. Their mission is recruitment of new SCA members and the group introduces "New Blood" into our Current Middle Ages. St. Felix gathers for meetings during the University school year from August through May. For more information, please contact Andrew Crossman, [crossaa@email.arizona.edu](mailto:crossaa@email.arizona.edu), 520-236-4016.

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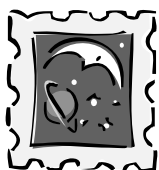
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**Tir Ysgithr's  
 Event Calendar**

**Baronial Procession for Events:**  
 (Items in bold held in Tir Ysgithr)

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December			
1	Southwind Deadline	17	<b>Baronial Polling (BTY)</b>
6	Yule (BMMT)	24	<b>Sable Knight (GSF)</b>
14	<b>Tournament of Virtue and Vices</b>	25	<b>War Practice (BTY)</b>
15	<b>Tusker Deadline</b>	February	
19	Heraldry Hut	1	Southwind Deadline
20	Archery Royal Rounds	1	War Practice (SGM)
31	Land Budget for Estrella Due	9-16	Estrella War
January		15	<b>Tusker Deadline</b>
1	Southwind		
15	<b>Tusker Deadline</b>		
14	Arts Night		
16	Heraldry Hut		

