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The Althing's submissions deadline is the first Friday of the month – send your contributions to Elss at chronicler@debatablelands.org.

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Any gentle wishing to submit articles, artwork, poetry, etc, to the Althing is invited to do so. Please send your work to the chronicler. All material in the Althing is copyrighted to the individual contributors. The chronicler reserves the right to edit, refuse, or reprint any submissions. The submission deadline for the Althing is the first Wednesday of the month.

Baronial Discussion E-List

Need more info on an upcoming baronial event? Just want to chat?

To subscribe to the barony discussion list, send an email to majordomo@lists.andrew.cmu.edu with the line `subscribe sca-bmdl` as the message text. In the confirmation email, you will be asked to confirm your subscription; just follow the instructions.

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From the Chronicler:

Greetings to the populace of the Debatable Lands from Elss of Augsburg, Chronicler of the Debatable Lands!

It is my hope that all have enjoyed this fair summer, and that those who have traveled far and wide have returned safely to our fair Barony.

In this very special issue of the Althing, there are wonders to behold!

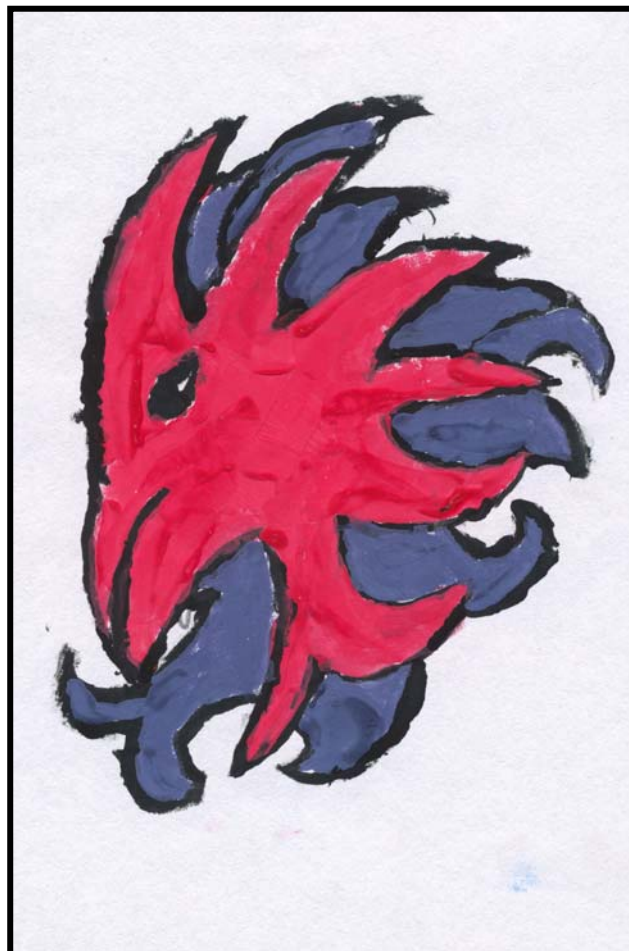
You may remember that the Althing has been sponsoring a drawing contest, and there have been many entries from many fine artists. At Pennsic during the court of Their Excellencies Byron and Ariella, I was called upon to announce the names of two artists who showed particular talent and enthusiasm for art, and it is my privilege to announce them again here: Paige Anne Corbin and Leah Branstetter.

Both artists were given gift certificates for Michaels, where it is hoped they will find wonderful supplies for future projects.

In addition, it is my pleasure to reproduce here the drawings of these artists for your pleasure. I hope you enjoy them!

In Service,

Elss of Augsburg



Dragon

By

Leah Branstetter

Important Dates Coming Up!

September Barony Meeting

September 17th, 7PM on CMU campus. Location to be determined, but the date is firm so mark your calendars. This will be the Newcomers Meeting, so please wear some fancy garb and your best tin hats, and bring A&S displays of your choice.

October Officers Meeting

October 7th at 8pm. CMU campus. Exact location is yet to be determined.

Archers to the Wald

September 26, 2007 at the Beaver Valley Archery (BVA) Club

Agincourt

October 24, 2009 at Their Excellencies' Castle.

November Barony Meeting

2nd week of November, details (time, date, location) to be determined and announced. Suggestions welcome!

December Officers Meeting

December 2nd at 8pm. CMU campus. Exact location yet to be determined.

January Barony Meeting

It'd be nice to have it at Baronial 12th Night

BMDL Twelfth Night

January 30, 2010 at the Lodge in North Park – Details to be announced soon!

From the Captain of Archers: Welcome back from Pennsic!

I'm looking forward to seeing all your new stuff that you might have picked up during the War. Wait 'til you see my new cannon! Archery practice will be starting up. Here's the probable schedule.

August 30th - No practice, I have to take Theodoric back to college.

September 6th - No practice, Labor Day weekend.

September 13th - Regular practice

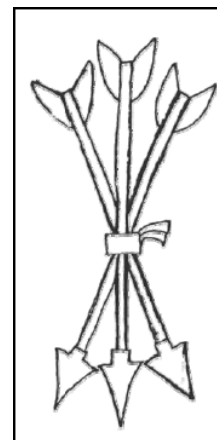
September 20th - Regular practice, probably, depends on how Coronation goes.

September 29th - Regular practice, probably, depends on how Archers to the Wald goes.

Watch the mailing list for any updates.

In service to the Barony-Marche,

Urho Waltterinen



Greetings from the Minister of Arts & Science:

BMDL will now have two A&S Meetings per month! From 6-9 pm, the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month. Come learn a new Art or Science! Join us for a brief workshop on a specific project, or bring your own project to work on! The 4th Tuesday will have a scribal focus, but any projects are welcome! Email ansminister at debatablelands.org for address of meeting (It will be within the City of Pittsburgh City Limits, North Hills/Observatory Hill).

The next meetings are scheduled for September 8th , September 22nd, October 13th, October 27th, November 10th, and November 24th.

Projects are subject to change due to instructor availability and or materials availability.

IS,

Pavla de la Satu Mare

ansminister at debatablelands.org

From the Marshal of Fence: Greetings to all!

"The Iron Ring is a meritocratic challenge in celebration of prowess in rapier combat. All who fight for the challenge are important to the pursuit of excellence, and their efforts warrant recognition"

-aerapier.org

I am currently in possession of the Sylvan Iron Ring, and encourage all interested rapier fighters to attempt to win it away from me. It is my desire that people seek me out for these challenges using the rules provided here: <http://www.aerapier.org/ironringrules.html>. If you are interested, please do not hesitate to look for me at BMDL practice or one of the following events: Children's Crusade, Fall Coronation, Harvest Raid, Queen's Rapier Championship, and Agincourt. It is your participation that makes this fun and I thank you in advance.

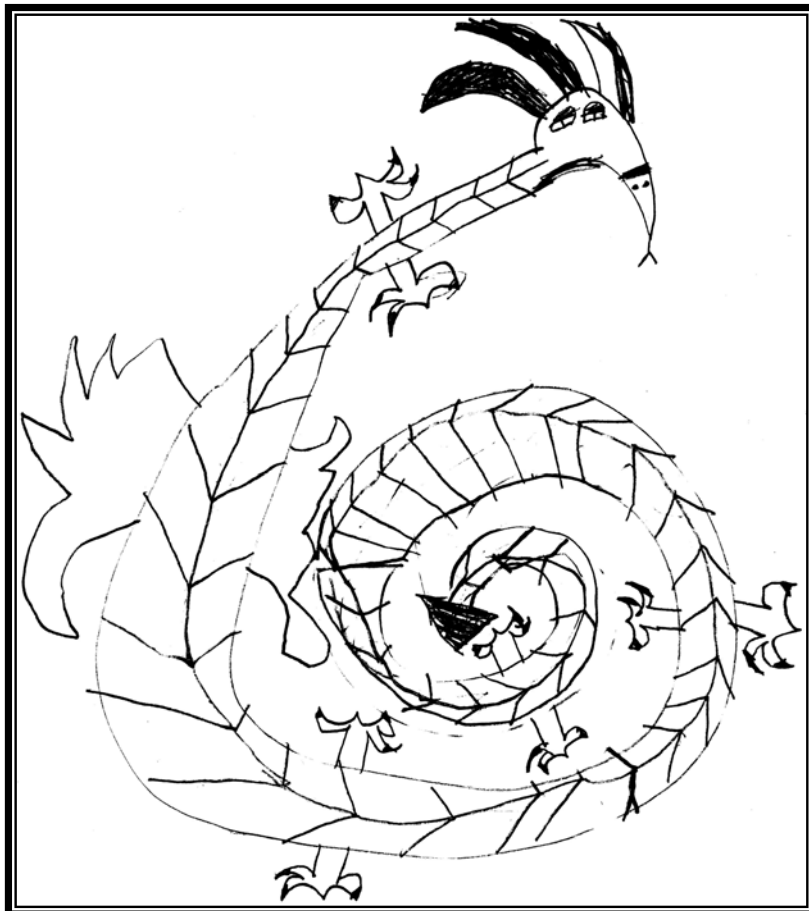
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Don Clewin Kupferhelbelinc

Thrown Weapons Practice

Lady Porfinna hrogn Josepsdottir, BMDL Thrown Weapons Marshall, announces that Thrown Weapons Practice will be held at the Washington Boulevard site on September 13th and 20th , from 11 AM until 1 PM. Please contact her at rojosephine at yahoo.com with questions.

Ice Dragon
By
Leah Branstetter



Dragon Snake Bird
By
Paige Anne Corbin

Coming Event: Archers to the Wald

You stand waiting, focused downrange, fingers lightly touching the string of your bow. The range is declared clear and permission is given shoot. You take aim and watch as the arrow streaks toward its intended target, striking home.

The Canton of Steltonwald promises to be a place that the Archers of our Kingdom dream about as we again invite one and all to come and fling your arrows and bolts at this year's Archers to the Wald. It promises to be an exciting day filled with several roving, novelty and long distance ranges as well as the traditional practice ranges to get in that next Royal Round. We have taken steps to ensure that you have more than enough to shoot at. As well as shooting, Members of the Scarlet Guard have agreed to make themselves available for one-on-one coaching, as well as tips and techniques sessions throughout the day. So come out and enjoy a day filled with fun!

In addition to all things archery, there is plenty of space for other activities to be held. We welcome merchants, but please contact the Autocrat as inside/table space is limited.

The day will end with a fabulous feast created by none other than Countess Aidan ni Leir. Feast is limited to 48. Please pre-register for this event as the final numbers for feast will be based on our pre-registration numbers. If you have any special dietary concerns, please contact Aidan at 724-203-4014 (Please no calls after 10 pm) or helen.pinto (AT) comcast.net

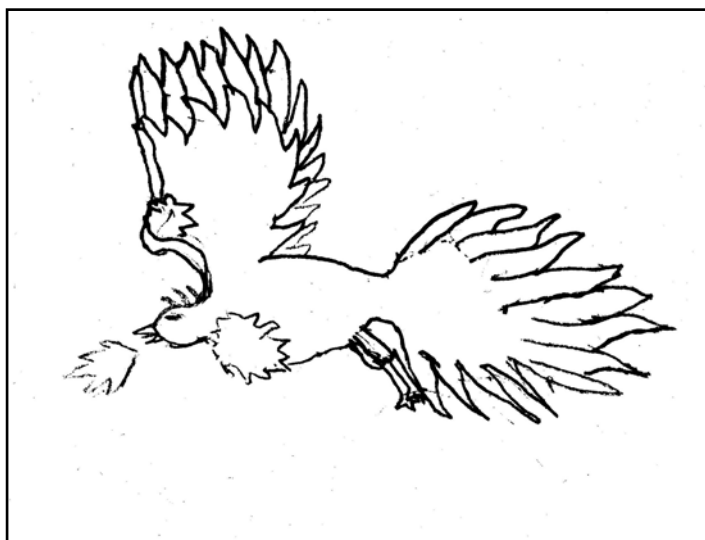
This event will be held on September 26, 2007 at the Beaver Valley Archery (BVA) Club, 277 Rothart Dr, New Brighton, PA 15066. The BVA Club is a mundane archery club featuring over 53 acres available for shooting. The site opens at 10 am and closes at 10 pm., and is discretely damp. Site Fees for this event are \$9.00 for adults, \$4 for children 6-17 and free for babes in arms (5 and under). Site fee includes a light lunch. Feast fee is \$8 for adults, \$4 for children under 17. The autocrat for this event is Maestra Gianna di Aurelio (Dawn Smoot) 2259 Todd Road, Aliquippa, PA 15001, 724-857-0994 (Please no calls after 10 pm), giannadiaurelio (AT) comcast.net.

Please send reservations to Muirgheal inghen Dubhghaill (Heather Hupp) 509 Hillcrest Avenue, Beaver Falls, PA 15010, 724-622-7240, katlyne_macroth(AT) hotmail.com. Reservations need to be received by September 21, 2007. Please make checks payable to SCA Inc. – Canton of Steltonwald.

Bird

By

Leah Branstetter



Coming Event: Agincourt

O noble English! that could entertain
With half their forces the full pride of France,
And let another half stand laughing by,
All out of work, and cold for action!

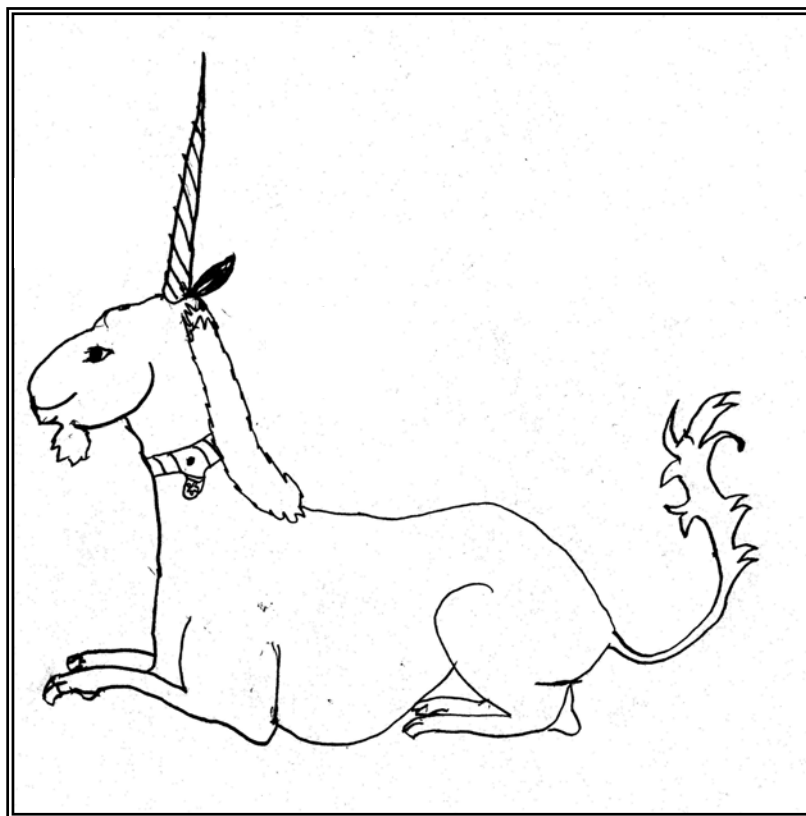
Attend one and all, within the fields of the Debatable Lands, The Feast of Saint Crispin will be upon us and a noble fight will be at hand.

A day of Archery, Fighting, Fencing and Feasting for all to enjoy. A true celebration of the honour and chivalry of our society. This event will take place on October the 24th, a.s. 44 at the McCandless-Branstetter Castle in the Barony Marche of the Debatable Lands.

A magnificent feast is being prepared for one and all by Lady Odriana vander Brugghe and a lovely lunch by Lady Elss of Augsburg. For dietary restrictions contact Lady Odriana (Odriana(at)Gmail.com)

Reservations should be mailed to THL Hildarun Hugelmann (Krista Cogan) 3815 Baytree Street, Pittsburgh PA 15214, Reservations should be received by Saturday, October 17.

Site Fees including lunch are as follows: Adults \$8.00, Children (6-12) \$4.00. 5 and Under, Free. Feast will be limited to 60 people for a fee of \$7.00.



Unicorn
By
Leah Branstetter

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Canton Meeting

Third Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m.
Beaver County Courthouse
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A&S - Every Thursday

Bonita of Steltonwald
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Archery

Sundays, 10 AM to 1:30 PM
Lord Bóvi Farmaðr
Beaver Valley Archery Club
captainofarchers at steltonwald.org

Fight practice

Every Tuesday, 6pm, at the Economy Grange
Contact Geoffrey

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Aoibheil of Dun Holen

<http://www.steltonwald.org/>

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