

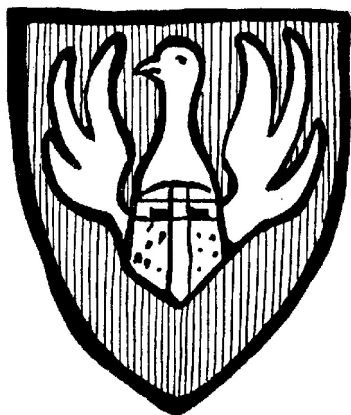
The Windlore

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The Newsletter of the Barony of Windmasters' Hill

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Welcome to the Windlore!



Greetings and welcome to the January 2006 issue of the Windlore, the newsletter for the Barony of Windmasters' Hill. This newsletter is distributed primarily in an electronic format and is accessible from the website www.windmastershill.org. If you desire to be sent a hard copy of the windlore via mail, please submit a written request to the Barony by coming to a monthly Baronial Meeting or by contacting the Baronial Chronicler:

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*Err, hey, Sir Moldiverous . . . I don't want to alarm you,
but there's a duck on your helmet again.*

Letter from their Excellencies

Greetings unto the populace of the great Barony of Windmasters' Hill,

We hope this missive finds you hale and hearty during the holiday season. To continue the holiday season, Her Excellency will be traveling to 12th Night. We hope that many of you will also be able to attend. We regret having to miss the December baronial meeting due to family obligations. Although we know that meetings are not always the most entertaining parts of the SCA, they are extremely important for the functioning of the groups. We greatly appreciate all those who go out of their way to ensure that our Society continues to function. For those who don't usually attend, please remember that all are welcome – you do not have to be an officer to be present – and that meetings are a good way to find out what's going on.

As January approaches we are minded to think of what we would like to accomplish over the New Year. Top of our list are the various projects that we started this year that we are continuing to work on. These projects include banners and sheet walls, further enhancements to the list field and refurbishment of the existing barriers. We will be posting to the Keep plans for further "Baronial Beautification" workshops in order to accomplish our goals.

We currently plan to hold court Friday night of Ymir. Please be sure to send in any award nominations you may have. The Barony is fortunate to have so many wonderful people contributing to make our Society the fabulous place it is!

We hope that many of you plan to attend Kingdom Arts and Sciences and to participate in the various arts competitions. If you are not inclined to compete, please consider displaying your work. We also encourage all that are able to heed His Majesty's call to attend Gulf Wars. Please note that pre-registration ends January 31st. At the present time we do not know if mundane responsibilities will enable us to attend, but we will be sending in reservations to camp with Atlantia.

Next October an event is planned called "War of the Wings". This is a war between the Baronies of Windmasters' Hill and Sacred Stone. There are a whole slate of martial competitions planned for rapier, heavy, equestrian, archery and even siege weapons. There is an even longer list of A&S competitions scheduled. We call on all of our citizens to attend and support our great barony in this war. Each of us should also begin to solicit the aid of all of our friends from outside of the barony to join us in driving the Phoenix from the field. Naturally, we should provide hospitality (alcohol may be involved) to any who join us. To that end we call upon the brewers and cooks to help us devise enticements for our allies!

We trust everyone is using the winter break to repair armor and work on projects as we are. We look forward to an eventful new year.

Wishing you health and happiness,
Geoffrey & Maddalena

OFFICER'S Letters

Herald's Shout

Greetings,

I hope this missive finds you warm, rested and well. As the new(ish) Baronial Herald, I would like to get an idea of who in the Barony is doing "heraldry stuff". Please drop me a line, let me know who you are and what sort of heralding you do: i.e. Court heraldry, field heraldry, book heraldry and/or teaching. This way I can have an idea of who to go to with questions and who to link people up with.

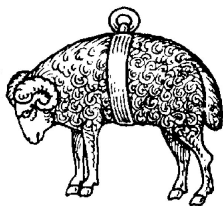
I am also interested in increasing awareness of local, personal heraldry. I would like to have a monthly "Guess who's heraldry" feature; some of these would be local personal heraldry, some would be group/officer heraldry and some would be historical heraldry. If I can use your arms in this venture, please send me a digital image of them, along with the blazon and your name (persona). If I get enough of these, I might even sponsor a Heraldry Identification competition at some future date.

On a final note, I am looking for a deputy (isn't everyone!). If anyone is interested, please contact me.

In Service,

Lady Tangwystl ferch Morgana

P.S. An interesting note: I was using Google to search on my name and found the information on my name getting passed. To my surprise, my name is Tangwystl ferch Morgan, NOT ferch Morgana. You learn something new each day!



Chronicler's Quill

Greetings oh Noble People of Windmasters' Hill!

Happy Holidays to Everyone!

This Windlore includes the first installment of a 10 month series on the War of the Wings, in which will be documented the history of and the reasons behind the fierce rivalry between the Mighty Baronies of Sacred Stone and Windmasters' Hill.

It is my hope to see many of you at 12th night and Ymir. Season's Greetings!

-Dunstan LeHeryngmongere

A&S Officer's Scroll

Merry Christmas and Greetings to a new year to come!

I hope this finds you all in good health and spirit :)

Just a couple to thoughts to think about while running wildly around getting ready for the upcoming holiday!

Tourney of Ymir is finding itself just around the corner...If you are interested in participating, the competitions and requirements can be found at <http://sca.daysofyoreevents.com/ymir.htm> ...Lady Ursula has added some wonderful links to various Viking websites...please take a look!

There are many talented people hard at work in Windmaster's Hill...! Let us endeavor to get more recommendations sent in for those you feel need to be recognized for that hard work they put into learning and perfecting the Arts and Sciences!

A&S adds another flavor to our fun in the SCA! Encourage artisans around you to display and/or enter competitions. Don't forget that works-in-progress are always fun to see also...Let us in on what you are having fun learning! Please feel free to contact me at any time if you have questions or would like information.

Yours In Service,
Therasia Mellita

Chatelaine's Welcome

Season's Greetings Everyone!

If you're new to the Barony, welcome! If you have any questions (about ANYTHING, anything at all, except car maintenance) or just want to say hello, please feel free to get in touch with me or your canton's chatelaines, who will do our best to help. I am pleased to announce that all five cantons, and one stronghold now have active chatelaines, and every one of them is a wonderful choice.

I am looking for deputies! If you're interested, please let me know.

Ymir is coming up! One of the biggest events in the Barony and the first event of the tourney season, it's a great one to attend. That said, I offer a few suggestions for those new to the game and/or the SCA to help with your first Ymir.

*** Consider your garb.** Ymir is usually very cold, and the "I-Dream-Of-Jeannie" sort-of-middle-eastern would generally be a BAD idea. If you need help making warmer garb, or would like to borrow warmer garb, see your group chatelaine, or email me. You can also look at the Ymir Website;

<http://sca.daysofyoreevents.com/ymir.htm> for more information. I highly recommend the "Keeping Warm link to your attention.

***Extra socks.** Thick socks. Ymir can be squishy. Did I mention extra socks?

***Check the event schedule** to see if there's anything in particular you would like to see ahead of time. That way you won't miss anything.

***A few cabins are unheated**, but have outlets for portable heaters or electric blankets. Check with the reservationist to see what you'll need.

***Feast gear** - If you are onboard for feast, you will need your own plate/bowl/utensils. A mug, if nothing else, is absolutely vital, for drinking non-alcoholic beverages throughout the day.

***Day of the event**, go forth, and have fun! If you need a place to hang out, sit down, relax, the chatelaines will be running New-comer's Point for most of the day, and you're welcome. Even if you're not new, you're welcome to come and visit for a while.

Yours in Service,
Lady Livia Zanna

UPCOMING EVENTS

Here are events that are in the area, nearby or that might be of interest. Any item listed with a *** is NOT an official SCA event. Events marked with a (BP) are Baronial Progress events.

February

Winter University will be held on February 4th in Courtland, Virginia.

The 31st Tourney of Ymir will be held in Wake Forest, North Carolina on February 10-12th.

March

Kingdom A&S Festival will be held on March 4th in Spotsylvania, VA

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Minutes for the Baronial Meeting in December

With many apologies I must admit that I was unable to get the minutes from the December Baronial Meeting in time to print in this issue of the Windlore. Once those minutes are available I will see if it is possible to post them online. For those of you without online access, I will be sure to print up an extra copy of the December minutes and send them out in the mail along with the February Windlore. Again, I offer my humble apologies for this omission. The directions to the next Baronial Meeting are indeed printed in this Windlore. (In fact, they are in the next column over).

Yours in service, (such as it is)
Dunstan LeHeryngmongere



*Death awaits you with big, nasty, mean,
sharp pointy teeth.*

Directions to get to the next

Baronial Meeting:

The next Baronial Meeting is
at
Falcon Park - East Academy
Street & Falcon Drive, Fuquay-
Varina, NC 27526.
Fighter practice begins at 12:00
The Meeting begins at 3:00

Directions:

Take your best route to Fuquay-Varina. If coming from the north go straight into town on 401 South. You will pass a strip Mall on the left that has the Guardian Angel thrift store there. The next light is Academy Street. Make the left and look for the signs. If coming from the south part of town go straight into town. You will come up to the intersection where Hwy 55 makes a left. There is a new tire and battery store on the right. Make that right at the light. That is Academy Street. Look for the signs. If coming from the west(Holly Springs, Apex) on Hwy 55. Come on into Fuquay. You will make a right and go over some railroad tracks. Hwy 55 makes a left at that light but you want to go straight across onto Academy Street. Look for the signs.

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A Truly Pathetic Cry For Help

Your Baronial Chronicler Needs you . . .

I am currently in search of deputies, article submissions, constructive criticism and, perhaps most importantly, people to take minutes at the Baronial Meetings. If you are a person who makes it to meetings fairly frequently and is willing to take a brief summary of the points discussed there, please contact me. I can take minutes in any format . . . handwritten, computer typed, hieroglyphics, whatever.

Contact me at rangernealson at aol.com or call me at 919 678 0118 to volunteer for any of these very important jobs!

-Dunstan LeHeryngmongere
Baronial Chronicler,
Barony of Windmasters' Hill.



Imagine being served this from a food stand at a local renfaire . . .

String Thing returns

from the holiday season

The next meeting of the group dedicated to all arts of fabric and string will be on January 22nd.

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The Story of Ymir

Norse creation Myth.

as interpreted by Dunstan LeHeryngmongere, primarily from
the Prose Edda

With Ymir rapidly coming towards us, I thought it would be good to revisit exactly who Ymir was and why it is important to realize that North Carolina is, according to the Norse myths, quite likely just a part of a giant's pancreas.- Dunstan

In the beginning, there was Ginnungagap, the great void. It was bordered by Niflheim (the land of fog) and Muspell (a place of great heat and flame). A river flowed through Ginnungagap and had frozen over, layer upon layer. But where the heat of Muspell met the cold of Niflheim the ice began to melt. The ice dripping from Ginnungagap formed the great Giant, Ymir. It also formed a vast cow named Audhumla.

Ymir, once formed, fed from the milk of the giant cow Audhumla. As he grew, from the armpits of this great Giant formed the first two frost giants, and they had many children who were of the race of giants. Audhumla itself fed by licking the salt from the stones within this great icy river. Such was its appetite as it licked the salt from the stones that on the first day its licking had melted enough ice that one of the stones appeared to be covered in hair. On the second day, a man's head appeared from the stone and on the third day the entire man had been loosed from the ice of the river. This man was named Buri. Buri then found himself a wife and had a son named Bor. Bor married a giantess and had three sons, and they were named Vili, Ve and Odin. The viking stories tell us that these were the first true Gods.

Ymir was a hard master, and refused to allow his progeny to make homes of their own. Because of this, his sons and his son's sons became angry. After a time, the three sons of Bor decided they had had enough, and they went to Ymir and without hesitation they slew him. Now it happened that Ymir was so vast and tremendous of a being that his blood spilling out made a tidal wave across the land, slaying every one of the race of giants but for one family of giants. The Head of this family was named Bergelmir, and he and his family escaped riding a small ark. They went on later to parent the entire new races of giants.

Odin and his brothers proceeded to carry the body of Ymir into the very middle of Ginnungagap and started the very first recycling program in recorded history by recycling the body of Ymir. First they removed his flesh and with it they formed the solid earth upon which we now stand. His bones they made into the mountains and the crags. His teeth they removed and made into the smaller rocks and slate of the world. The blood left in his body became the oceans and the rivers and the seas. His skull they removed and they set it above the earth to become the sky. They called forth four dwarves, who were named North, South, East, and West, to hold this skull up above the earth. They caught sparks from Muspell and set them up high in the skull to be the stars in the sky.

They then removed Ymir's massive eyebrows and out of them they fashioned a protecting wall to keep the Giants at bay. Within this wall is the earth we live on, and it is called Midgard. Last of all, they removed the stray thoughts from Ymir's head and flung them in fluffy globs into the sky to form the clouds.

Within this world and the world around it the Gods dwelt, as did the lesser god-like beings (Like the Valkyries and the fates) and the races of giants, elves, and men. And so the world was made, and continues on until the day it must end in the bloody battle of Ragnarok.

**The Barony of Windmasters' Hill Proudly Presents
The 31st Tourney of Ymir
Friday - Sunday, 10-12 February, 2006
in Wake Forest, North Carolina**

So . . . ewe want to be a Vyking . . . vell, vell, vell. Have ve got an event for ewe. Come join vit us, de Barony ov Vind masters' Hill for a heapin' good, patootie freezin' time as ve assemble to do battle against de forces of Cold, Ice, Leth argy and pleasant smelling deodorants! Lots and lots and lots ov fighting vil ensue, along with some good vittles and some vay cool artsy schmartsy stuff. Make your way to an era when men had names like Thorbrandr Axethumper and women still prepared lutefisk as an edible food item! Dough de site is dry, de herring vill be pickled! Open de tourney season vit us, and practice butt-kickin for goodness on dat big, hairy giant. (Ymir, dat is, in case you vere tinkin' it vas somevon else. Ever noticed how many big hairy giants dere are in de SCA? Yah, for sure!) Valhalla awaits YOU at de 31st Tourney of Ymir in Wake Forest!

Martial Activities will be many and varied, including Rapier, Heavy and Youth Combat.

Merchants are heartily welcome!

Feasting will be sumptuous, and presented by Mistress Clare de Crécy. There are a limited number seats, so please reserve early.

A&S Competitions will also be numerous, and will include Norse accessories, Norse mariner/fishing gear, Norse literature/poetry and best decoration of a Viking garment.

The SITE is Camp Kanata, 13524 Camp Kanata Road, Wake Forest, NC 27587. The site opens at 5:00 PM on Friday and closes at noon on Sunday. This is a DRY site. Neither camping nor pets are permitted. The site has cabins with electricity, and space heaters (one per cabin) and electric blankets are permitted. Cabin space is limited, so reserve early. (Paid reservations only.) There are also hotels within convenient distance of the site. (Details coming soon.).

FEE SCHEDULE:

Adult Site Fee	\$14.00	Adult Daytrip	\$10.00	Adult Feast	\$8.00
Child (6-17) Site Fee	\$7.00	Child (6-17) Daytrip	\$5.00	Child (6-17) Feast	\$8.00

Make checks payable to:

"Barony of Windmasters' Hill / SCA, Inc." Please include contact information with any payment so that the reservationist can contact you with any questions they might have. Non-members please add \$3 to above site fees.

Send your paid reservations to:

April Riley, Attn: Ymir, 9917 Regal Drive, Angier, NC 27501, (919) 639-4531.

SITE DIRECTIONS:

From I-85 (North or South):

Take exit 218; go south on US 1 towards Raleigh. Take the exit for NC Hwy 98; turn Right at bottom of ramp. Go 2.3 miles, then turn Right onto Camp Kanata Road. The camp will be on the Right, a little over 2 miles from NC Hwy 98.

From Raleigh and points South:

From the I-440 Beltline take US 1 North (Capital Boulevard) out of Raleigh. Near Wake Forest, take the exit for NC Hwy 98, turning Left at the bottom of the ramp. Go 2.3 miles, then turn Right onto Camp Kanata Road. The camp will be on the Right, a little over 2 miles from NC Hwy 98.

MUCH, MUCH, MUCH more information on this event, including links to some really neat Norse themed web sites can be found on the website <http://sca.daysofyoreevents.com/ymir.htm>

War of the Wings:

In the Beginning...

By Lady Katerina Sina Samovicha (MKA Kathryn Evans)

In the beginning, before men roamed these lands, when the surrounding hills were still the realm of the wild and the magical, two great beings wandered the land and sky. The Phoenix, wreathed in fiery glory, her red and gold feathers would make the hues of sunset seem drab and dull and her song put all other birds to shame and made them weep with the beauty of it. And the Kittyhawk, his silken tawny coat gleaming in the sun and great wings cutting the clouds, was master of the wind and sky, who with his mighty cry inspired the heart to bravery, or quelled it with fear.

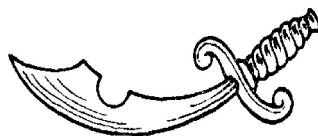
For long years these two lived in peace together. But in due course of time there arose conflict and they were not content to share the hills, rivers and forests between them. They quarreled and fought. Forests were set ablaze as the Phoenix vented her fury. Hills and meadows were swept clear in terrible wind storms as the Kittyhawk raged. From horizon to horizon the land lay in devastation.

In those days men came and settled these lands and paid homage to the two great immortals. Festivals and great gatherings were held in their honor. Also there were wars, as the two foes could not abide each other's followers. Men died and women wept and the land was divided in two.

Except for one small province. The people of this land paid homage to neither Phoenix nor Kittyhawk, and so both creatures began to covet the land as their own. War raged through forest and over hill. Arrows flew through the sky and the clamor of steel on steel echoed over the land. Brave heroes rose up and were also cut down. Fierce battles were fought and ballads were written. But no peace could be found.

In their search for peace and safety, the people built for themselves a stronghold and named it Elchenburg. And there, at that grand castle, the final battle between these two foes would take place.

This is the legend of how the war between the two baronies of Sacred Stone and Windmasters Hill began. Come witness and participate in the War of the Wings at Elchenburg Castle in Elkin, North Carolina, October 20–22 2006. www.warofthewings.com



Windmasters' Hill Baronial Calendar for

January 2006

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Happy New Year! Attilium Practice (H) 11am (JO)	2 Kappellenberg Meeting 7:30 pm (NS)	3 Buckston Pract (5pm) Meeting (7 pm) (LM)	4 Nimenfeld Practice 7:00 pm (CC)	5 Elv Business 7:30 (AC)	6	7 12th Night Hollywood, MD
8 Attilium Practice (H) 11am (JO) Elvegast Practice 1pm (CK)	9 Kappellenberg Meeting 7:30 pm (NS)	10 Buckston Pract (5pm) Meeting (7 pm) (LM) Nimenfeld meeting 7:30 pm (BB)	11 Nimenfeld Practice 7:00 pm (CC)	12 Elv Business 7:30 (AC) Kappellenberg Practice 7:00pm (NS)	13	14
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29	30 Kappellenberg Meeting 7:30 pm (NS)	31				

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PLEASE NOTE:

This is a very basic calendar.

A much more detailed one can be found at : <http://sca.daysofyorevents.com/calendar.htm>

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