

# THE THORNY TRUTH



SHIRE OF ROSENFELD  
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## Meeting & Practice Information



**May 15th**      A & S Activity                      1:00pm  
(3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday)      Officer's Meeting                      2:00pm  
                         Populace Meeting                      3:00pm  
                         Bergfeld Park

**May 15:**              Fighter Practice                      2:00 pm 5:00 pm, Bergfeld Park, Tyler  
(3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday)

**May 26:**              Scribal Guild Meeting                      6:00-9:00 pm  
                         Pleasant Retreat Church, Tyler

**All activities and meetings are open to everyone wishing to participate**

No meetings or practices are scheduled during Holiday weekends. Changes in Meeting or Practice dates will be posted to the Rosenfeld List so please check your email on applicable Sundays for updates.

For more information regarding meetings, please contact the Seneschal. For more information regarding Fighter Practices, please contact the Knight Marshal or Rapier Marshal. Contact information is located at the front of this publication.

**Shire Website**  
<http://rosenfeld.ansteorra.org>

**Shire E-group**  
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Rosenfeld>

## Guild Information



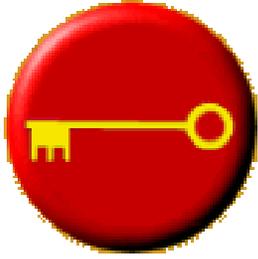
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## From the Seneschal

Greetings Rosenfeld!

I hope my missive finds you well and in good spirits!

In an effort to keep us focused, I will continue to list the upcoming (shire) events in my missive each month. We will discuss each at our meetings and provide updated information as it becomes available. Please be thinking of ways in which you may be able to support Rosenfeld at these scheduled activities.

- **Arts Better Outdoor demo in Athens** - Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup> - *Show your artistic skills indoors or perhaps assist in demonstrating your combat skills outdoors*
- **Fiber Arts College** - Saturday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>
- **Central Region Academy of the Rapier** - Saturday, August 20<sup>th</sup>
- **Tournament of the Cross** - Friday, Nov 4<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, Nov 6<sup>th</sup>
- **Winter Revel** - TBA

Lady Sarah and Lord Aidian will also continue to update us at the end of Populace each month regarding Three Kings.

The month of May will prove to be a busy travel month for many of us. Please check your current ***Black Star*** for information regarding ***Defenders of the Rose, Coronation/King's Champion, Queen's Champion, and Steppes Warlord/Royal Huntsman***. Any number of these will surely satisfy your desire to serve, showcase your artistic endeavors, or test your mettle on the field of combat. I look forward to seeing you there!

Until we meet again, safe journeys!

Julia





## From the Exchequer

Greetings unto Rosenfeld!

The Treasurer's office is doing well. Reports are going in on time and the check book is balancing. There are many Rosenfeld sponsored events coming up. If you need to purchase budgeted items for your office, please bring a check request to the populace meetings and I will be happy to write a check for you.

In service,

Sarah



## From the Rapier Marshal

April was a great month for our fair Shire as far as rapier goes. Teiran and I attended Elfsea Defender, and his fighter authorization paperwork was completed. I was able to compete in the Stargate and Loch Sollier Baronial Championships as well. Both of these events were excellent and filled with many different activities. Then our monthly practice was good with four fighters in armor. It was good to see Lord Fergus out.

In the immediate future we have the Rose Tournament and Queen's Champion in early May. I look forward to seeing Rosenfeld represented at these two events.

Our monthly practice will be May 15 which should be a great day.

The weather is beginning to heat up, so be sure to do your best to stay hydrated when you are out.

Be safe and have fun,  
Rhiannon



## From the Minister of Arts & Sciences

Greeting Good Gentles,

The hope is that each of you are growing and blooming as all we survey around us in this Spring season. Do let your imaginations soar and give in to the overwhelming urge to play (perhaps take a mental health day and practice the sweetest of doing nothing thus feeling fulfilled when the hands are ready to create—merely a thought). We are moving forward in our guilds—sewing guild will meet again as usual the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday in May (5/21) and Scribal the last Thursdays of April (4/28) and May (5/26)...reminders will be posted as ever. We shall have a Populace park painting party to make our tiki torches as due to Mother's Day falling on the second Sunday in May our Populace and business meeting is at Bergfeld Park on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday (5/15). Commencing at 1:00 Gottfried will direct our project in painting our torches and preparing them to light the events in style. He shall send out supply requests when we determine what we have at the shed inventory in April.

Again I am obliged to all of you so kindly responding to my plea for information each month to list on my A&S reports illuminating (pun intended) what a creative and productive shire is Rosenfeld. We weave, embroider masterpieces, all manner of sewing, kumihimo, make herbs, brew, sing, dance, paint, draw, calligraphy, carve, weld, teach, study, (a plethora of things not recalled), and share with generosity and compassion...to enhance our own lives and that of our fellows. Our diverse talents weave together a tapestry of art of which many must envy for what art is lacking here? (Tell me if you know and I will have Kingdom refer a teacher for an A&S class—then we will be near perfection—yes?) Very well...I am assured of waxing that poetic...pardon me.

Our Demo in June at the Fish Hatchery is slated and it is not too early to think of what you may wish to exhibit that day and as Mistress Rhiannon shared we are fortunate again to have a most prime property at the back near the doors, shade trees, food and beverage venders with privacy yet good traffic of interested passersby. Kingdom requests completed charters of which I have many—if you have completed scrolls please allow me to get them to court by Warlord so they may grace the walls of those honored by Their Royal Majesties.

If any of you have interested in having a class scheduled (or teaching one) do please inform me as I wish to be of service.

Most grateful to count myself among such stellar individuals as yourselves...I remain...

Emma Farewyll  
Rosenfeld MoAS

“However each of us desire to be remembered...each of us desired to be remembered—  
Be Bestowed with Blessings” .....Emma



## From the Event Stewards for Three Kings

At our last populace meeting, all our coordinator positions were filled. Thank you to all those who volunteered. If you have volunteered to be a coordinator, please email permission to post your email address on the website for the event.

I would like an update sent to me before each populace meeting from the coordinators so I can give a good report to everyone on the progress of the event. Please have your report to me by the Saturday before populace, even if it is only nothing to report this month. If you will need a work day for your area, please let me know along with a list of any supplies you might need. Your ideas are valuable to me and I welcome them all.

In humble service,

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## Recipe of the Month

### Torta of Herbs in the Month of May

Platina book 8

*Cut up and grind the same amount of cheese as I said in the first and second tortae ["a pound and a half of best fresh cheese"]. When you have ground this up, add juice from bleta, a little marjoram, a little more sage, a bit of mint, and a good bit of parsley; when all this has been ground in a mortar, add the beaten whites of 15 or 16 eggs and half a pound of*

*liquamen or fresh butter, and mix. There are those who put in some leaves of parsley and marjoram that have been cut up but not ground, and half a pound [surely a typo for half an ounce, as in the previous recipes] of white ginger and eight ounces of sugar. When all of these have been mixed together, put this in a pot or deep dish that has been well greased on the coals at a distance from the flame so that it does not absorb the smoke; and stir it continually and let it boil until it thickens. When it is nearly done transfer it into another pot with the crust and cover it with your lid until it is all cooked with a gentle flame. When it is done and put on a plate, sprinkle it with best sugar and rose water.*

[Note: earlier torta recipes refer to a pastry crust rolled thin and both top and bottom crusts. "Blette-Name given in some parts of France to white beet or chard." *Larousse Gastronomique*.]

3/4 lb Monterey Jack cheese

herbs ground in mortar:

1/4 t marjoram (dry or fresh)

1/2 t sage (dry or fresh)

1 t fresh mint

1/2 c fresh parsley, stems off

3/8 c spinach + 1 T water

5 egg whites

1 stick melted butter (1/4 lb)

(1/4 c chopped parsley)

(2 t fresh marjoram)

(1/4 oz finely chopped ginger)

(1/2 c sugar)

double 9" pie crust

Sprinkled on crust after baking: about 1/4 t rosewater, about 1 T sugar

Spinach is measured unchopped, then chopped and ground in a mortar with the water to provide spinach juice in place of bleta juice. Mix this with other herbs and grind in mortar or food processor; mix with grated cheese. Beat egg whites lightly, melt butter and add; put in pie crust and cover with top crust. Unground herbs are an option; sugar and ginger, for a dessert pie, are another option (ginger seems to mean fresh ginger root). Bake at 400deg. for 10 minutes, then at 350deg. for about another 40 minutes, then sprinkle with mixed sugar and rosewater.

If you are counting carbohydrates you can leave out the crust and use a ceramic dish for baking.

This torte travels well and taste quite good.



# Kingdom of Anstorra Event Planner

## May 2011 (A.S. XLV)

- 6-8 Castellan - Northkeep (Tulsa, OK)  
 Defenders of the Rose - Loch Soilleir (Clear Lake, TX) \*PED\*
- 13-15   Coronation/King's Champion – TBD
- 20-22 Queen's Champion – TBD
- 27-29 Steppes Warlord - Steppes (Dallas, TX) \*PED\*  
Memorial Day Weekend

## June 2011 (A.S. XLV)

- 3-5 Eldern XXXIII - Eldern Hills (Lawton, OK)  
Unofficial Event: [Market Day's & Medieval Knights](#) (Salado, TX)
- 10-12 Champions of Bonwicke – Bonwicke (Lubbock, Texas)
- 17-19
- 24-26 Bordermarch Baronials - Bordermarch (Beaumont, TX)  
Out of Kingdom: [Knowne World Heraldic and Scribal Symposium](#)  
- Atlantia (High Point, NC)

## July 2011 (A.S. XLV)

- 1-3  Out of Kingdom: [Known World Dance Symposium](#) - Mynydd Seren (Bloomington, IN)  
Out of Kingdom: [Battlemoor II: Outlands 25th Year](#) (29th - 4th) - Outlands (Rye, CO), Fourth of July Weekend
- 8-10  Crown Tournament - TBD (Central/Northern)
- 15-17  King's Round Table – TBD
- 22-24 Unofficial Event: [Fiber Arts College](#) (Tyler, TX)

May 2011						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
Happy Mother's Day!						
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
A&S 1 pm Officer's 2 pm Populace 3 pm Fighter Practice 2-5 pm						Sewing Guild 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. @ Knotty Girls
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
				Scribal Guild 6-9 pm		
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>				
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