

# The Thorny Truth



Shire of Rosenfeld

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## Meeting & Practice Information

**Nov 1:**            **Rapier & Chivalric Fighter Practice**  
(1<sup>st</sup> Sunday)    **McWhorter Park - Longview**

**Nov 8:**            **A&S Class (Glove Making) 2:00 pm**  
(2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday)    **Officer's Meeting**                    **3:00 pm** (Open to All)  
                         **Populace Meeting**                    **4:00 pm** (Open to All)

**Nov 15:**         **Queen's Champion**  
(3rd Sunday)    **Rapier Practice Canceled**

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. 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

The Shire of Rosenfeld currently has several active guilds. Information regarding the various guild meetings is now accessible on the Rosenfeld website. Please contact the following individuals for information regarding current projects:

**Scribal Guild**  
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**Sewing Guild**  
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**Greeting Rosenfeld!**

The Sewing Guild met for the last time this year on October 24, 2009. No formal meetings are scheduled for November or December due to the holidays. I am stepping down from the Guild Principal position so anyone interested in being Guild Principal should contact His Excellency Tostig. It has been a privilege and an honor to serve in this manner and I am always available to anyone who needs help.

In service,  
Sarah  
(Outgoing Sewing Guild Principal)



## From the Seneschal

Greetings unto my fellow members of Rosenfeld,

The Battle of Three Queens II is, indeed, a pleasant memory. Lady Sarah and Duchess Julia did a fantastic job recruiting and coordinating. Thanks are also especially due to both the Three Principals and the members of Rosenfeld. Even the evening rain could not overshadow how much everyone gave of themselves before and during the Event.

November is a month of change in the Society. Tourney season winds down as Revel season begins (including Rosenfeld's Yule in December). The fiscal year is ending, so Officer and Populace Meetings will have votes to approve the upcoming Budget. Administrative changes are also occurring. Lady Stephanie has stepped down as Minister of Arts and Sciences. Lady Fridhur is stepping down at the beginning of the year as Chronicler. Their Kingdom superiors have recognized them both for outstanding work. We're fortunate to have had them serving us.

Support and Flourish,

Tostig  
Seneschal, Rosenfeld



## Heraldically Spzaking...

Greetings to all of the stellar shire of Rosenfeld,

Activities and Projects:

His Excellency continues to give comments at the Kingdom level for the Heralds submission website. The OP on the Rosenfeld website is still in process of being updated.

Submissions:

If you've seen the Shire Crier, you've seen that Lord Bernhart's name has been approved!

At the Laurel level, there are four waiting decisions, (names: Livia da Nicolosi & Porzia da Nicolosi, Reyner de Arden and Cairistíona inghean Sheamuis), and three device submissions (Porzia da Nicolosi, Reyner de Arden and Cairistíona inghean Sheamuis).

At the Kingdom level, there are two device resubmissions (Roesia Sorweles and Lady Stephanie Lilburn) pending publication on the Kingdom level also.

Vivat Rosenfeld!

Arden  
Rosenfeld Pursuivant



## From the Minister of Arts & Sciences

Greetings to the Shire,

Due to illness in her family, Lady Stephanie has reluctantly resigned as our MoAS. The entire Shire owes her a sincere *thank you* for her faithful and dedicated service to A&S here in Rosenfeld.

My job as Acting MoAS is much easier with the head start she has given me. This office is now open for applications which will close on December 31, 2009. Please send your application with membership card and drivers license to the Central Regional MoAS, Mistress Hanna; to our Seneschal, Baron Tostig; and a copy to myself.

At the November 8<sup>th</sup> Shire meeting, Mistress Dyan will teach the second installment of her glove class. December A&S will be at the Winter Revel. The Shire will be painting a tapestry-sized wall hanging. Changes and additions to the Guild Principals are as follows: Lord Ricciardo will hold Armor Guild on 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month, starting Nov. 10 at 6:30pm at 494 Long Shadow, Murchison, Tx. 903-469-3403. The community is gated so go to the Call box to right of gate and dial 63403. Call and they will buzz the gate open.

Milady Fiora will begin holding sewing guild in her home on Saturday, Dec. 5, noon – 5pm at 600 E Lake St., Tyler, 75701, 903-520-5172.

The Scribal Guild meeting for November and December are canceled due to holiday conflicts. In January, Lady Eithne will be hosting the Scribal Guild. Details to follow.

I am including the report of Lady Stephanie on the Bardic and Static Arts at The Battle of Three Queens as follows:

*Lady Stephanie Lilburn constructed and donated the war chest. She also coordinated the A&S portion of the event.*

*Bardic Theme: A Courtly Presentation judged by HL Maggie MacPherson and HL Myfanwy ferch Eifion. Won by Master Ihon Vinson macFergus for Duchess Ebergardis.*

*Static Theme: Best Use of a Rose. Judged by Master Duncan Hepburn, Mistress Genevieve de Courtanvaux, and Mistress Margaret. Won by Aelfyn Webbestre on behalf of Duchess Vanessa.*

*Displaying for Duchess Vanessa:*

*Aelfyn Webbestre: navy silk tablet woven girdle*

*Tadg MacAedain us Conchobhair: short mead*

*Beothlic Folewinesome: two metal spoons*

*HL Willoc mac Muirdaig: Coptic silk woven rose*

*Danielle de Marseilles: illuminated piece*

*For Duchess Ebergardis:*

*Melisenda de Barrelona: Queens Picnic*

*Isolde die Waeger: 14th century dishes*

*Augelique le Wolfe: blackwork pillow*

*Isabeau Quiquandon: dress*

*Suzanne gabrelle Marie Beraud: folio tags*



*For Duchess Conal:  
Countess Sara Penrose: 15th model book page  
Maelgwyn Oda: 14th century Shinbalds  
Mistress Hanna von Dahl: Illuminated Rose  
Saqura al-Kudsi: rose vase  
Ciard O'Seachnasaigh: embroidery*

~~~~~  
Please share your art projects and achievements with me so I can pass them on to Regional, which report is due the 5<sup>th</sup> of each month.

In Service to the Shire,  
Lady Eithne ingen meic Cináeda



## From the Rapier Marshal

Yippee!! I have a successor as Rapier Marshall. Lord Ricciardo will be taking on the office effective November 1 so this is my last report for the newsletter.

October was a busy month for rapier fighting in Rosenfeld. We had more than sixty people fighting and marshaling at Three Queens. This was the best turnout we have ever had for rapier combat at the event. The melees went well, for which I thank the commanders of the three armies for their help. We did have a minor injury on the field. One of the fighters took a hard shot to the ribcage. She has recovered completely and is back to her normal cheerful self.

Fighter practice in Tyler was incredible this month. First, we had four of our regular fighters on the field plus a new fighter that came out to visit for the first time. He said he would be back and plans on having lots of fun with us. It was good to have chivalric fighters at practice as well. Lord Christopher, thank you for coming over to hold the chivalric side of practice.

See you at Practice.

In Service  
Rhiannon

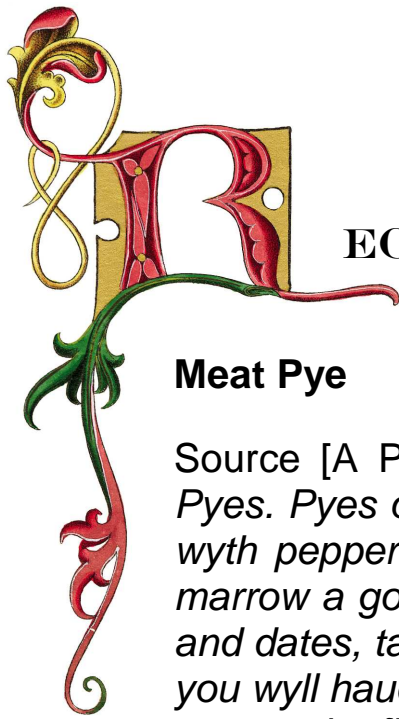


## From the Chronicler

To the Shire of Rosenfeld doth Fridhur Haralds send good greetings!

It is with both great pleasure and pride that I have served as Rosenfeld's Chronicler these past few months. However, it is my intention to step down as Chronicler at the beginning of the New Year. Applications are now being accepted for the office and will close on December 31, 2009. Interested parties are invited to submit their application with copies of current SCA membership card and driver's license to the Central Regional Chronicler, Duchess Julia de Montoya; Rosenfeld's Seneschal, Baron Tostig Logiosophia; and a copy to myself. Thank you for your gracious support.

In service,  
Fridur



## RECIPE OF THE MONTH

by Mistress Rhiannon

### Meat Pye

Source [A Proper New Booke of Cookery, A. Veale]: *To make Pyes. Pyes of mutton or beif must be fyne mynced and ceasoned wyth pepper and salte, and a lyttle saffron to coloure it, suet or marrow a good quantite, a lyttle vyneger, prumes, greate raysins, and dates, take the fattest of the broathe of powdred beyfe, and yf you wyll haue paest royall, take butter and yolkes of egges, and to tempre the flowre to make the paeste.*

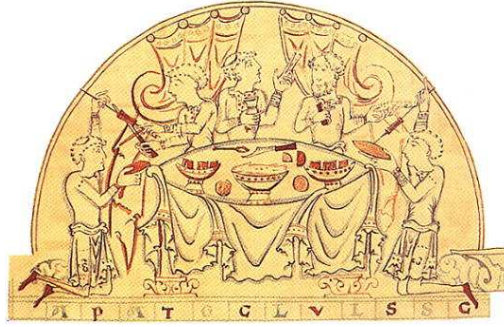
1 to 2 lbs beef, minced (left over brisket works well)  
1/4 cup dried cherries, chopped  
1/4 cup dates, chopped  
1/4 cup raisins  
1/4 cup dried apples  
1/2 tsp. pepper  
1/2 tsp. salt  
1 tsp. cinnamon  
1/2 tsp nutmeg,  
1/2 tsp cloves  
1/2 tsp ginger  
pinch saffron, ground (optional)

Mix the filling ingredients and set aside. While not necessary, I generally rehydrate the fruit in a pot of boiling water.

Cut the butter into the flour thoroughly. Mix in egg yolk and enough water to let the dough hold together. Separate into eight portions and roll out. Place one eighth of the filling into each, fold over, and seal with water. Bake at 350°F until crust is golden - about 30 minutes.

When you are in a hurry substitute canned biscuits for the pastry dough. Roll the biscuits out and place a tablespoon of filling in each round and fold up place seam side down on the baking sheet.

Ground meat may be used in place of minced, but this will change both the flavor and texture of the pie.



## A Winter's Yule Revel

A Holiday Celebration for The Shire of Rosenfeld

December 19<sup>th</sup>

11 am till ....

Bring in the Yule Log. Enjoy fun, fellowship and feasting with our Shire family.

at

**Kilgore College Farm**

2211 State Hwy 135E

Overton, Texas 75684

### **Competitions:**

Yule Table with Period Influence  
Period Dessert appropriate for Yule  
Populace Vote ~ Best Bardic Piece

### **Activities:**

Bring something to share for lunch grazing  
Painting of a Wall-Hanging  
Period Gaming  
Bring Your Art Project You wish to Share  
Lighting of the Yule Log  
Lord Ferghus' Dragon Hayride  
Period Dancing with Mistress Rhiannon  
Have your Christmas Photo made  
by Lady Carletta & Lord Ricciardo

Setup for dinner ~ Bring your candles and feastware  
6 pm ~ Yule Feast ~ Bardic Competition during Feast

**All of Rosenfeld should either have a story  
or Bardic Piece to share with the Shire at table**

Shire will provide the Roasted Turkey and Baked Ham  
Potluck Feast ~ Bring a dish to share

After feast, tidy up hall and place bedding for comfy watching  
of Medieval Movies and a period sleep-over.

8 am breakfast, clean-up and out by noon

Event Stewards: Lady Eithne & Milady Fiora  
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Link for Period Foods and Tradition of the Christmas Feast~  
<http://www.godecookery.com/how2cook/howto06.htm>





# Kingdom of Ansteorra Event Planner

## November 2009 (A.S. XLIV)

- 6-8            Coronation/King's Champion - Eldern Hills/Brad Leah (Duncan, OK)
- 13-15        Queen's Champion - Northkeep (Tulsa, OK)
- 19-22        Bordermarch Autumn Melees/Kingdom Middle Eastern Dance Champions –  
Bordermarch (Beaumont, TX) \*PED\*
- 27-29        Thanksgiving Weekend

## December 2009 (A.S. XLIV)

- 4-6            Wiesenfeuer Yule Revel - Wiesenfeuer (OKC, OK) \*PED\*  
Stargate Yule - Stargate (Houston, TX)  
Champions for Children - Trelac (San Angelo, TX)  
Loch Ruadh's Yule Revel at Dragonsfire Tor - Loch Ruadh (Benbrook, TX)  
Unofficial Event: Dragonsfire Tor Yule Revel - Dragonsfire Tor (Stephenville, TX)
- 11-13        Winter Kingdom - Northkeep (Tulsa, OK)  
Guardian of the Gauntlet/Yule Revel - Bryn Gwlad/Ffynnon Gath (Austin/San Marcos,  
TX)
- 18-20
- 25-27        (Friday 25th - Christmas Day)

## January 2010 (A.S. XLIV)

- 1-3            Steppes 12th Night - Steppes (Dallas, TX)
- 8-10        Crown Tournament - Raven's Fort (Huntsville, TX)
- 15-17        Centurion War College - Kingdom of Ansteorra (Austin, TX)
- 22-24        King's Round Table - TBD  
Fall Ball in the Small Hall Take II - Shadowlands (College Station, TX)
- 29-31        Coastal Invasion - Seawinds (Corpus Christi, TX)  
Bonwicke's Artisan - Bonwicke (Lubbock, TX)

# NOVEMBER 2009 – SHIRE of ROSENFELD ACTIVITIES

| 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>RAPIER &amp; CHIVALRIC Practice<br/>McWhorter Park - Longview</b> |           |                                |           |                         |           |           |
| <b>8</b>                                                             | <b>9</b>  | <b>10</b>                      | <b>11</b> | <b>12</b>               | <b>13</b> | <b>14</b> |
| <b>Officers / Populace Meeting<br/>Genecov Room – Tyler</b>          |           | <b>Armor Guild<br/>6:30 pm</b> |           |                         |           |           |
| <b>15</b>                                                            | <b>16</b> | <b>17</b>                      | <b>18</b> | <b>19</b>               | <b>20</b> | <b>21</b> |
| <b>No Fighter Practice</b>                                           |           |                                |           |                         |           |           |
| <b>22</b>                                                            | <b>23</b> | <b>24</b>                      | <b>25</b> | <b>26</b>               | <b>27</b> | <b>28</b> |
|                                                                      |           |                                |           | <b>Thanksgiving Day</b> |           |           |
| <b>29</b>                                                            | <b>30</b> |                                |           |                         |           |           |
|                                                                      |           |                                |           |                         |           |           |

Note: All activities are subject to change due to weather, etc. Please stay in touch on Rosenfeld's e-group for updated information.