



Two Towers

March – April 2019

From the Baronesses

Greetings to the Barony,

The drums of war approach. We look forward to seeing everyone at Gulf Wars. Stargate will camp with the Barony of Loch Soilleir and the Shire of Seawinds again this year. This is a great chance to spend time learning new things as there are lots of classes available. There are also opportunities to participate in marshallate activities, bardic, scribal, and many others. The Gulf Wars staff always need volunteers for various positions. If you do volunteer, please make sure to list Barony of Stargate as your home group on the volunteer form. We will be in the Opening Ceremony parade and invite all members of the Barony to join us for the parade along with our Champions.

In April, we host our annual Co-Baronial Championship with the Barony of Loch Soilleir. We will pick new champions in Archery, Chivalric, Equestrian, and Rapier. We need lots of help to put on a successful event. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the Autocrat, Solmundr (Ryan Deakyne). The theme for the event is “Dies Festus Inauguratio Eximius”. The Baron and Baronesses will be Roman Gods and Goddesses and the champions will be vying to get to Hero status. We hope to see everyone at the event.

YIS,

Brenna MacDonald and Sarra Ashton of York
Baroness and Baroness of Stargate

From the Seneshal

Greetings Stargate!

Over the last few weeks we have had some offices open up and our wonderful populace stepped up to fill these much needed roles. Thank you to all of you who have given of your time and energy in service to our great barony. Ceara, Alden, and Lissa, we appreciate you more than you can know. Thank you also to those of you who will be volunteering your time and energy to our Barony. Constanza (Charles), Asta, Tenoch, and Saadia (Wombat), welcome! We look forward to your leadership and thank you for volunteering.

As we look forward to the next month please consider whether you would be willing to be part of our team of Hospitallers. Ingrid will be stepping down as Hopitaller and we need another wonderful person to volunteer to help with greeting newcomers, giving them information about the Barony and the SCA, as well as continuing our populace in the park get together.

Yours in service,

Talia

Items of General Interest

Stargate Domesday Book

Stargate is compiling a Domesday Book to help our members keep in touch, and we have made it quick and easy to submit your information online at <http://stargate.ansteorra.org/domesday.shtml>

Stargate Facebook Page

Stargate also has a Facebook page, which is a good place to check for last-minute updates on practices and events.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/56697227816/>

From the Chronicler

Greetings unto my beloved Barony, Stargate. I have served Stargate most recently as Chronicler, and it is now time for me to pass these responsibilities on to another. Please welcome Tenoch (Esteban Padilla) as your new Chronicler! He will begin with the May ~ June newsletter.

Who are we?

The Barony of Stargate is a local chapter of the Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA), within the Coastal regional subdivision of the Kingdom of Ansteorra. The SCA is a non-profit, educational organization dedicated to learning more about the Middle Ages through reenactment.

There are SCA chapters worldwide and they hold regular feasts, tournaments, balls and battles.

Ansteorra includes all of Oklahoma and most of Texas (except El Paso).

Stargate includes most of greater Houston. Wherever you are, we're a friendly group of people, so why not visit us all?

Stargate March Events Calendar

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | | | 1 | 2 |
| 3 12 PM Stargate Chivalric Practice ----- 3 PM Scribal Guild at Central Market on Westheimer | 4 Business & Populace Meeting at Trini Mendenhall Community Center | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9. Gulf Wars Progress: Crown,Heirs Circles:Arc d'Or, Chivalry, Laurel, Masters of Defense, Pelican, White Scarves |
| 10 Gulf Wars | 11 Gulf Wars | 12 Gulf Wars | 13 Gulf Wars | 14 Gulf Wars | 15 Gulf Wars | 16 Gulf Wars |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23. ----- Archery Practice, 9–11AM at Carter Park, 7221 Treaschwig Rd, Spring, TX 77373, USA (map) more details» |
| 24 12 PM Stargate Chivalric Practice | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 Hellsgate and Shadowlands present: The Mead War Progress: Prince | 30. The Mead War |
| 31. The Mead War | | | | | | |

March Calendar Notes

- ✦ Stargate Scribes Guild 1st/3rd Sundays - 3-6 pm @ Central Mkt on Westheimer. On hiatus for Gulf Wars on 3/17/2019.
- ✦ Gates Edge Fighter Practice 1st/3rd Sundays - 10 am @ Meyer Park. On hiatus for Gulf Wars on 3/17/2019.
- ✦ Dance Guild 2nd and 4th Thursdays 6:30 PM Trini Mendenhall Community Ctr, 1414 Wirt Rd. On hiatus for Gulf Wars on 3/14/2019.
- ✦ UFO Guild Usually weekly (always check) on Monday except Pop Mtg week - 7-9 pm @ Brenna MacDonald's home. On hiatus for through March.
- ✦ Business & Populace Meeting Monthly on the first Monday. This month March 4 @ Trini Mendenhall Community Ctr, 1414 Wirt Rd.
- ✦ Stargate Chivalric and Rapier Combat Practice is every Sunday at 10 AM at Ray Miller Park in Houston. 1800 Eldridge Parkway Houston, TX 77077. On hiatus for Gulf Wars on 3/10/2019 and 3/17/2019.
- ✦ Houston/Beaumont area Official Youth Chivalric Practice Irregular weeks on Sunday - 4 pm @ changing locations
- ✦ Archery Practice Monthly on Saturday - 9-11 AM @ Carter Park in Spring, Tx
- ✦ For updates,
see the calendar at <http://stargate.ansteorra.org/>

Stargate April Events Calendar

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | 1 Business & Populace Meeting at Trini Mendenhall Community Center | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5. ELFSEA DEFENDER Progress: Crown | 6. ELFSEA DEFENDER |
| 7. ELFSEA DEFENDER ----- 12 PM Stargate Chivalric Practice ----- 3 PM Scribal Guild at Central Market on Westheimer Gate's Edge Fighter Practice | 8. 7p UFO | 9 | 10 | 11. Dance Guild | 12 | 13. SPRING CORONATION Progress: Crown, Heirs |
| 14. 12 PM Stargate Chivalric Practice | 15. 7p UFO | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19. Dies Festus Inauguratio Eximus - Loch Soilleir And Stargate Co- Baronial --- ----- Glaslyn Defender Of The Flame | 20. Dies Festus Inauguratio Eximus ----- Glaslyn Defender Of The Flame |

Stargate April Events Calendar (Continued)

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| <p>21. Dies Festus Inauguratio Eximus</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Gate's Edge Fighter Practice</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Glaslyn Defender Of The Flame</p> <p>22. 7p UFO</p> <p>3 PM Scribal Guild at Central Market on Westheimer</p> <p>-----</p> <p>12 PM Stargate Chivalric Practice</p> | <p>22. 7p UFO</p> | <p>23</p> | <p>24</p> | <p>25. Dance Guild</p> | <p>26. Wiesenf uer Baronial</p> | <p>27. Wiesenfeuer Baronial</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Archery Practice, 9– 11AM at Carter Park, 7221 Treaschwig Rd, Spring, TX 77373, USA (map) more details»</p> |
| <p>28. WIESENFEUER BARONIAL</p> <p>12 PM Stargate Chivalric Practice</p> <p>9 – 11 AM Archery Practice</p> | <p>29. 7p UFO</p> | <p>30</p> | | | | |

The Baronies of Stargate and Loch Soilleir invite you to...

Dies Festus Inauguratio Eximius

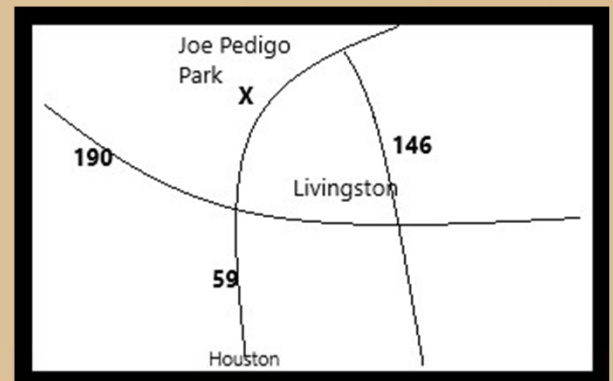
April 19-21, 2019



Dies Festus Inauguratio Eximius, roughly translates to festive or holy days dedicated to the gods, where choice, select, or high-quality persons receive their approval. This is our co-baronial event where the bravest and most skilled fighters, archers, fencers, and equestrians will compete to gain the favor and blessing of the gods. Our god and goddesses; Pluto (Baron Krag), Epona (Baroness Brenna), Minerva (Baroness Hennessey), and Diana (Baroness Sarra), will be testing our competitors and elevating the finest amongst them to the title of Hero. There will also be competitions Youth Chivalric and Rapier. Winners will receive treasures as well as the title and honor of Champion of the Loch!! In addition, there will be a non-champion Thrown Weapons tournament with a prize for the winner!

Site Information:

Site opens on Friday, April 19th, 5PM and closes on Sunday, April 21, 12 Noon. The site for the event is Joe Pedigo Park, 925 US 59 Bypass North in Livingston, TX 77351. From Houston, take Hwy 59 north to TX-146 and make a U-Turn. The site will be on the southbound side of US-59 roughly a mile south of TX-146.



At Gate Pricing:

Adult Registration: \$17; Adult Member Discount Registration: \$12;
Youth Registration (6-12): \$6; Child Registration (0-4): Free;
\$36 Family max.

Complimentary event registration will be offered to anyone 25 or under who provides a current student ID from an institute of higher learning along with proof of paid SCA membership

Feast: \$8

Make checks payable to SCA Inc., Barony of Stargate.

Minors must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. They may also attend with a 21 year or older adult with a signed and notarized Minor Event Waiver Form from the parents. The site is Equestrian-friendly, negative Coggins required. No other animals allowed, except for Service Animals. This is a dry site.

Event Steward:

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Upcoming Events & Meetings

Populace Meeting

Populace meeting during March will be held on March 4th, at Mendenhall Community Center 1414 Wirt Road, Houston, TX. We have a private room. Please check the lobby bulletin board. The February Meeting will be on February 4th.

UFO Guild

HL Brenna MacDonald hosts UFO (Unfinished Objects) Guild at her home, every Monday night except the first Monday of the month (Populace), from 7pm to 9pm. Please send her a message for the address if you'd like to come. (On hiatus for March.)

Chivalric and Rapier Practices

Stargate's Chivalric fighter practice is on Sundays at 10 AM. Check the Barony's Facebook page for last-minute updates.

Gate's Edge Fighter Practice

Our neighbor to the north, the Shire of Gate's Edge, holds its fighter practice on the first and third Sunday of the month at Meyer Park in the Cypresswood section of Spring, Texas from 10 AM to 1 PM.

Archery Practice

Practice is held in 2018 at Carter Park. Check the Facebook page for possible 2018 dates.

Guilds

Unfinished Objects Guild

The UFO (Unfinished Objects) Guild may be held at the home of Lady Brenna MacDonald on any Monday night except the first Monday of the month (Populace), from 7pm to 9pm. Please send her a message for the address if you'd like to attend a UFO Guild meeting.

Scribes Guild

Come learn the ancient and beautiful arts of calligraphy and illumination. The Stargate Scribes Guild is for learning the scribal arts, as well as to provide a service to the Barony and the Kingdom by creating award scrolls. The Guild meets the 1st, 3rd and sometimes 5th Sundays of the month from 3-6 pm.

The site is in the 2nd floor Community Room at the [Central Market, 3815 Westheimer Rd](#) (at Wesleyan Ave, inside Loop 610), Houston, TX 77027. Bring your paint supplies; some loaner items will be provided. All are welcome, newcomers and masters alike. Contact: [Mistress Hillary Greenslade](#).

Cooks Guild

We learn and practice the art and science of We usually meet on the first Thursday of each month. Medieval cookery. Each month we discuss a different topic or recipe. Please contact the Minister of Arts and Sciences for location.

Bardic Guild

Bardic Guild is held irregularly. We sing, we visit, we tell tales, and sing some more! We trade info and discuss resources. . Please contact the Minister of Arts and Sciences for location and times.

Of Special Note:

Applications are being accepted for the following office: **Hospitaller**. This position will be open until the end of April. Please send applications to the applicable Southern Regional officer, and cc Stargate's Baronesses and Seneschal (e-mails listed below).

Make a Contribution to the Two Towers!

- ✦ The Two Towers is the reference for members of the Barony, but it also serves as a bit of Baronial history.
- ✦ **Photographs** - If you have some photos to share, please send your contributions to the Stargate Chronicler, Baroness Elisena de Bayonne, at chronicler@stargate.ansteorra.org. The Chronicler would love to have all contributions. Please remember to send a release form.
<http://chronicler.ansteorra.org/library.html#forms>
- ✦ **Event Stories** - Let everyone hear your recollection of a great time or special occurrence at a Stargate event by putting it in our newsletter!
<http://chronicler.ansteorra.org/library.html#forms>
- ✦ **Word Fame** - Has someone you know done something worthy of bragging about? Publish it!
- ✦ **Articles** - Care to share your expertise, or enlighten others on a subject you feel passionate about? Send your article along for publication along with the appropriate Publication Permission Form found on the Ansteorra website!
<http://chronicler.ansteorra.org/library.html#forms>
- ✦ **Art** - Send your finest artwork along with the appropriate Publication Permission Form found on the Ansteorra website.
<http://chronicler.ansteorra.org/library.html#forms> Or let us know if you would like to illustrate articles!

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(Please no calls after 10 pm)

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