

A W A R D S A N D T H I N G S

From Jade and Shaheena, King and Queen of the West, at June Crown:

Order of the Pelican	Sebastian von Baden
Grants of Arms	Baron Wilhelm and Baroness Elizabeth
Award of Arms	Elenor the Gypsy

From Baron Wilhelm and Baroness Elizabeth at June Crown:

Silver Coil of Esteem	Tamara Antoinette
	Hagar Ragnarffson
Gold Coil of Esteem	Richard Meldyne
	Mustafa Kamal
	Harailt MacDonald
Baroness's Companion	Tamara Antoinette
Captain of Darkwood	Harailt MacDonald
Husscarls	Ronald of Montaigne du Roi
	Leo of House MacDonald
	Thorin Jorjeger

From Baron Wilhelm and Baroness Elizabeth at the West/Antir War:

Special Bead of Favour	David of House MacDonald
Special Tree of Appreciation	David of House MacDonald
Husscarls	Richard of Montaigne du Roi
	Eric of Montaigne du Roi
	Michelle l'estropie des Montserrat

F R O M T H E S E N E S C H A L E O F
T H E C O L L E G E O F S T . D A V I D

As I write this, it is the middle of summer and I am spending these months in MDR. College doesn't start back up again officially until the middle of September, but the students of St. David never sleep. I had a mind to let the Barony in on what we Davidites are planning for the future.

First of all, and perhaps most importantly, we have the upcoming Warlord's Tourney. A date has been set (November 15), and a site is almost set, at time of writing. It will be held at the East Field on the UC Santa Cruz campus. So far they haven't given anything in writing, so I shan't hold my breath. It will happen, though; of that, you have my word. The Campus is a bit sticky about little things like live steel, so if you do bring it, try to restrict it to an eating knife, and try to keep it out of sight, especially in mundane areas. We'll be having a revel afterwards in the Stevenson Fireside Lounge. It will be potluck. No kitchen facilities are available.

The tourney will be Swiss List, with armour inspection at half past ten, until noon, when the fighting starts. We'll have as many fields as necessary. The competition will determine our new Warlord who will defend the college against nasty evil people like sheep-stealing southern Barons, and such. The Warlord will also be in charge (at least figuratively) of the new guard unit of the College, the Hounds of St. David, of which I'll write more later. The competition will also determine the newest (first) entrants into the new St. David's Orders: Cymdeithas Glwyfau Gwaetha (The Order of the Worst Wound) for the Best Death, and Cymdeithas Llewellen (The Order of Llewellen, king of Wales) for Most Chivalrous Fighter.

We will also be having a competition in Candlemaking, and we will have out the boards and pieces for Nine Men's Morris and Byzantine Chess, and also the Blocks and Rope for Hunkerhauser. I have yet to check with our Baron to see if these will be suitable for our Yeoman/Sword program, but the likely will.

Also, if any of you were at White Shield, and had a massage by the incomparable Rhys ap Gethin (my brother-in-law), he will be at the Tourney, with his table, and his hands.

The Autocrat for this event is your humble servant, me. My number and address are at the end of this missive. The site fee is three dollars, and checks may be made out to SCA, Inc. - College of St. David.

As I have said before, the new Warlord will be the captain of the new Guard unit of the College. Raymond von dem Lowengrab, Rhys ap Gethin, and myself are trying to put together a guard unit at the College. It is to be hoped that we can get a group of students who are interested in Heavy and in Light fighting. We want to get this guard unit, tentatively called the Hounds of St. David, to be a combat unit worthy of war, so that the college may better contribute to the noble martial forces of the Barony and of the Kingdom.

Some problems face us, though, the chief of which is the fact that it costs money to become a fighter. It may not cost as much as people think, but it is a distinct investment. We will be doing all in our power to come up with fundraising ideas to finance the Guard, and if anyone wishes to make a donation, no matter how small or how large, to the guard, please send a check to SCA, Inc. - College of St. David, and address it to the Hounds, Haven, 309 Laurel Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060. Also, if anyone is willing to do nice things like sell us armour for outrageously low prices or anything like that, please call me or write to the above address.

In addition, the finest College in all of the Barony will be making shirts this fall or winter, with the College's device on the back (rough blazon: Azure, two bendlets dovetailed and in chief a laurel wreath argent) and the words "The College of St. David." It will have something on the front, but we haven't quite decided what that will be. If you are interested in purchasing one (or more) let me know. I don't have the prices on them, as that will be based on the number of orders we get. It should be somewhere around \$11.

As some of you may know (or not know, as the case may be), I succeeded Lord Etienne Michele du Calais as Seneschale when he foolishly violated his contract with the Baron for some sheep. I am still fairly new to the SCA; the raid on Tarnmist last February was my first event. However, now that I have been thrust into the massive role of seneschale, I intend to do it right. I plan to improve relations with all of the other Barony's cantons, and wish to make the College more a part of the Barony (and maybe start a war or two!). If any of you have any questions about the College, or if any of you wish to combine forces for an event, feel free to call or write to the address below.

Well, in closing, although the College doesn't resume for another few weeks, we have already got things planned. I'll keep the Barony informed of what's going on at Prifysgol Dewi-Sant.

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