

Montengarde Activities

Archery

When: Friday and Saturdays from 6:00 to 9:00pm.

Where: Calgary Archery Centre (4855 - 47th Street SE, Calgary).

Cost: \$7.00 each (lane fees payable to the centre).

Details: Unlike most venues, we do not have exclusive use of the facility. It is a private business and the lane fee discount (it's normally \$8) is a courtesy. Please be courteous to the staff and non-SCA patrons in return. As a place of business you can practice archery any time the centre is open - contact the Captain of Archers for information on other times.

Arts & Sciences Night

When: Every Monday Evening 7:00 - 9:30.

Where: Mount Royal College, Room I-124.

Cost: The site is free, but parking at MRC is a \$3.00 in the evenings. Parking lot V2 is the closest.

Contact: Findabhair na Noinini (noinini@telus.net) for more information.

Council

When: Third Wednesday of each month from 7:00 to 9:00pm.

Where: Lower meeting room, Calgary Co-op (540 - 16th Avenue NE).

Cost: none

Details: The room can be a little hard to find. Go to the back of the dairy aisle, through the set of doors marked *Authorized Personnel Only* and down the stairs.

Dance Practice

When: First and Third Thursday of each month from 6:30 to 9:00pm.

Where: Thorvald's house.

Cost: none

Contact: Thorvald (prescotj@telusplanet.net) for more information.

Fight Practice

When: Every Monday Evening 7:00 - 9:30.

Where: Mount Royal College, Room I-124.

Cost: The site is free, but parking at MRC is a \$3.00 in the evenings. Parking lot V2 is the closest.

When: Every Thursday Evening 6:30 - 9:30.

Where: Rehabilitation Society of Calgary (#7-11th Street NE, Calgary).

Cost: \$3.00 each (to cover hall fees)

Contact: Sir Stein Vikingson (steinn@shaw.ca) for more information.

Music Group

When: Every Tuesday from 7:00 to 10:00pm.

Where: Caterina's house.

Cost: none

Contact: Caterina for directions

Tavern

When: Fourth Thursday of every month from 7:00 to 11:30pm.

Where: Banff Trail Community Association (2115 - 20th Avenue NW)

Cost: \$3.00 each (to cover hall fees)

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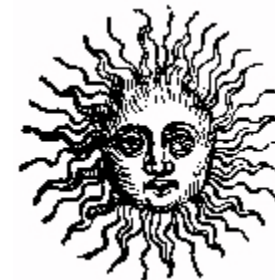
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From the Minotaur's Chair

Greetings to the populace of Montengarde

HE Malabar and I have only two more months to be your Baron and Baroness. I have been honoured to serve this Barony and its people for the last two and a half years. I have grown a great deal as a person and I hope I have left the Barony a little better than when I stepped up. A huge thank you to every one that supported us and the Barony.

Their Majesties have chosen HL Beothuk and HL Wilma to replace us on the Minotaur thrones. I see a bright future for Montengarde. Thanks again to HE Tygar, Dauphina, Lord Bartholomew and Lady Tat'ianna for being willing to take on the Job of Baron and Baroness. Beothuk and Wilma will need your support over the next few years.

It is important to remember it's your responsibility to make your game better.

HE Hero the Responsible



Da'ud Bob ibn Briggs Goes to the Movies

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Ah, it is so very sad when you look forward to seeing a movie, especially one that you've known about for a couple of years, and very especially when it's a treatment of an early period piece, and when it finally comes out it's only in limited release and then goes straight to video. I mean, it doesn't really bode well. Such a situation leads you to believe that maybe your high hopes and expectations were misplaced, and that you might be better off in terms of your mental health to stay up late at home watching reruns of *I Love Lucy* or catching a 2:00 a.m. showing of *Smokey and the Bandit* on the LNL (Late Night for No-Lives) cable TV network. Well, this one wasn't quite that bad, but it most certainly did not live up to my early hopes for it. I mean, I'd been watching its progress for months. Filming; post-production; then a very long wait until it premiered at the Toronto Film Festival. Then nothing for another very long time, and all of a sudden it's out in limited release and onto DVD. And it had so much potential! I mean, here's a treatment of an Anglo-Saxon saga, a tale of heroes and monsters, blood and death and friendship. A chance to be all that *The Thirteenth Warrior*, which dealt with the same tale, wasn't. Alas, it was not to be. But so it is that this month, Da'ud Bob reviews ***Beowulf & Grendel***.

Starring Gerard Butler as the hero Beowulf, Ingvar Eggert Sigurðsson as his opponent Grendel, Stellan Skarsgård as the Danish King Hrothgar, Sarah Polley as the outcast witch Selma, Eddie Marsa as Brendan the monk, Tony Curran as Hondscioh, Mark Lewis as the Geat (no, that's no typo) King Hygelac, Ólafur Darri Ólafsson as Unferth, Gunnar Hansson as Grimur, this is, of course, as the imdb.com plot summary tells us, "a medieval adventure that tells the blood-soaked tale of a Norse warrior's battle against the great and murderous troll, Grendel." Well, yeah, sort of. "Building toward an inevitable and terrible battle, this is a tale where

Montengarde Twelfth Night

January 20, 2006

The Barony of Montengarde would like to invite you to this year's celebration of 12th night. Join us as we bid farewell to our Baron Malabar Membro Spaccata and Baroness Hero the Responsible who after three wonderful years will be stepping down. Test your skills in Archery, Heavy fighting, A&S and Rapier tournaments. Feast yourselves as we serve up our famous "Huntsman's Dinner". Watch as we welcome Beothuk of the Beothuks and Willma the Still who will be stepping up to take on the role of Montengarde's new Baron and Baroness. So come partake in the games, celebration and revelry at what is sure to be one of the biggest events of the year!!

Twelfth Night will have a Squire's style Tourney open to all. All weapons must be 4' or under unless approved by the Marshal in Charge.

Festivities will be held on January 20th at Marlborough Community Hall 636 Marlborough Way NE Calgary Alberta T2A 2V9

Doors open at 10:00 AM and Close at 11:00PM

Archery Tournament will be held at 4855 47 Street SE Calgary Alberta T2B 3S5 Tournament runs from 9AM to 12PM

Gate Fee \$7.00 With a Reservation \$10.00 at the door \$4.00 NMS Feast \$7.00 With a Reservation \$10.00 at the door

There will be a limited number of feast tickets available. Details on the Menu will be coming shortly Children 5 and under free but please include them on your reservation. For reservations please email Ellias Silver (mka Paul Cote) at montengarde12night@gmail.com

Merchants are welcome and are asked to also contact Ellias.

Book Heraldry Workshop

When: Saturday, December 9, 2006, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Where: 3116-B 39 Street S.W., Calgary

The Book Heraldry Workshop is open to all of the populace of the Barony of Montengarde. There is no cost for the workshop. Bring your name submission requests, device requests, etc. The workshop is for those who have any heraldry questions, need research done for name submissions, or assistance in name, device or badge submissions. Heraldry forms will be available to all workshop participants. For further information, please contact Tegan Thorbergdottir (403) 542-7830.

would make the effort to poll regardless of what day of the week it was scheduled.

Malabar wished the matter tabled for three years hence.

Caitilin indicated she would leave a note to her successor advising them of the options presented at this discussion.

Baronial Pavilion – HE Malabar had posted on the Stables his request for volunteers to conduct a fact-finding mission regarding this issue. Three people (Tygar, Beothuk and Wilma) volunteered and Malabar would like four people total. These people do not have to be from counsel – they could be anyone from Montengarde. Malabar reiterated to the counsel his questions from last month – essentially type, cost, storage and usage of the pavilion.

Arnolt held off resigning as Captain of Archers because his serving as an officer would enhance the 'volunteer' status enabling him to be eligible for the \$1,000 donation from his employer. As the pavilion purchase issue is not progressing quickly, Arnolt tendered his resignation as Captain of Archers. Arnolt will forward the information he has regarding pavilions and their cost to the members of the fact-finding committee.

Metal Detector – tabled until December counsel.

Dragonslayer/Hidden Treasures – Their Excellencies decided to grant Dalton the autocracy of Dragonslayer/Hidden Treasures. Dalton advised counsel the adjacent City campground is booked as well as the Archery club itself, and he is seeking Volunteers to help autocrat this event.

Dalton requires a cheque in the amount of \$373.00, \$100.00 of that amount will be returned as it is a security deposit. Caitilin inquired if the budget was prepared yet. No budget prepared but Dalton promised counsel this expenditure would be reflected in the budget.

MOTION made by Dalton to request \$373.00 in order to secure the City campground for the Dragonslayer weekend. SECONDED by Arnolt. MOTION PASSED

6. NEW BUSINESS

No new business

7. DISCUSSION/ANNOUNCEMENTS

No announcements

8. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION made by Malabar to adjourn the meeting at 7:24 SECONDED BY James the Quixotic. MOTION PASSED, meeting adjourned.



vengeance, loyalty and mercy powerfully intertwine.” It’s also a movie where there doesn’t seem to be a clear direction, where the action sometimes takes a back seat to the scenery, and a major character is added to the story to very little real purpose, except that we probably wouldn’t get to where the director wants us to go without her, because our erstwhile hero seems unable to learn on his own what he needs to take us there. There’s also a “clash of religions” under story, but I have no real idea why it’s there.

Good points: The scenery is fantastic (the movie was filmed in Iceland), and beautifully framed. The Sutton Hoo helm. The helms in general. The cloak pins. The swords. The longboat. Grendel’s deadfall trap. The soundtrack. Saddles without stirrups. The movie humanizes Grendel.

Bad points: Uncut, unsewn furs used as clothing. Saddles covered in furs. Unnecessary sex. Beowulf is Scottish? (Well, he’s got a strong Scottish accent, anyway.) Beowulf doesn’t cut off Grendel’s arm, as in the tale; Grendel cuts off his own arm to escape Beowulf. And what is Grendel supposed to be, anyway? He’s too tall to be a Neanderthal. They all call him a “troll”, but since he doesn’t seem to be “supernatural”, he doesn’t really fit the dictionary definition of a troll: “A supernatural creature of Scandinavian folklore, variously portrayed as a friendly or mischievous dwarf or as a giant, that lives in caves, in the hills, or under bridges.”

Zero breasts. Three gallons of blood. 27 dead bodies. Arrow fu. Sword fu. Fire fu. Fist fu. Heads roll. Waves roll. Gratuitous slo-motion fall from cliff. Grendel gratuitously hitting himself in the head with a rock. Gratuitous waterfall. Gratuitous dreams. Gratuitous bowling with skulls. Gratuitous heckling the bard. Gratuitous sea hag. Academy Award nomination to the cameraman, for capturing the landscapes of Iceland so very well. A 73 on the Vomit Meter. Two stars. Da’ud Bob says, “Check it out!”

PRESENT:

HE Hero	HE Malabar	Caitilin
Tygar	Dalton	Wilma the Still
James the Quixotic	Jarjiradai	Medb
Wolff	Robert Faustis	Bartholomew
Tat'ianna	Brother Selwynn	Beothuk
Arnolt		

1. CALL TO ORDER

7:00 p.m by Caitlin.

2. PRIOR MINUTES

Review of September minutes with corrections to the spelling of 'castilan' and Minotaur. Spelling corrected. Addition of the old business "metal detector discussion to be tabled"

MOTION made by Medb to accept the September minutes as amended.
SECONDED by Tat'ianna. MOTION PASSED

3. AGENDA

Review Agenda – no additions or deletions noted

4. BARON AND BARONESS'S REPORT

Their Excellencies are happy to report there are three strong candidate couples who came forward to be considered as Montengarde's next Baronial coronet. The Question and Answer evening went well and the polling itself was well attended with a total of 81 people. The Crown indicated they will acknowledge receipt to Their Excellencies once they have received the polling forms.

HE Hero expressed her thanks for everyone who brought treats or bought treats, especially Sir Steinn who barbequed bison burgers, which all sold out. The revenue from the polling activities made back more than the monies spent to rent the halls for both the Question and Answer and the polling hall itself.

5. OFFICERS REPORTS

Seneschal – the polling went well and many thanks to Master Thorvald for his behind the scenes help answering questions and providing guidance. Additional thanks to Vik and Inga of Borealis for scrutineering the polling on behalf both the Crown and Kingdom Seneschal.

Exchequer – Had not yet retrieved the bank statement – no report.

Quartermaster – No Report

Chatelaine – Not Present, but information regarding the Heritage Park demo is being updated consistently with questions addressed promptly.

Demo Co-ordinator – vacant. If interested in applying for this position, please contact the seneschal.

Chirurgion – Vacant position

Water Bearer – Present but nothing to report.

Chronicler – Vacant. If interested in applying for this position, please contact the seneschal.

Web Minister – Updated the 'Next Big Thing', updated links but no new features installed.

Constable – Vacant – interested applicants please contact the seneschal.

Herald – Reported his deputy had suggested a Heraldry Symposium which unfortunately conflicted with Coronet. Conflict checks and submissions are ongoing.

Deputy Herald – Not in attendance.

Master of Stables – Not in Attendance. Sir Steinn indicated he is stepping down from this office in December. Interested applicants, please contact the seneschal.

Lists – Present but nothing to report.

Archery – Arnolt has resigned as Captain of Archers. Their Excellencies thanked him for his service. For those people interested in applying for this position, please see Arnolt or Malabar.

Rapier – No Report – vacant office.

A&S – Not present – no report.

5. OLD BUSINESS

Principality Events – February Investiture – nothing new to discuss.

12th night bid – Robert Faustus inquired as to who the current Dragonblade (rapier champion) is and how could he get in touch with this individual. He was advised to try and contact Don Iain through the Stables. Caitilin indicated Don Iain may not be in attendance at 12th night but will ensure the tournament to choose his successor is run. Question as to who came in second place – no one could recall.

Polling – The polling went well.

Morigan advised Counsel that Montengarde was the only barony to host a unique event to facilitate their polling in the last four years. Borealis' recent polling was held at a Wednesday night fight practice and the last two baronial pollings for Myrgan Wood were held at their Sunday fight practices, with the Crown and Seneschal representatives travelling on weeknights to facilitate the populace.

James the Quixotic raised the issue that more people would attend a weekend 'event'. Morigan reminded counsel the polling which put Cattea and Halfdane on the baronial chairs was hosted at a tavern and members of the populace