

## Calendar

### Local Happenings:

Scribal Meeting at master Aiden's every 1st Monday of the month.

Needleworkers guild every Tuesday night. Meetings move weekly. See Cleftlist for location.

Armourer's Guild every Thursday. Eldread and Clairiel's home.

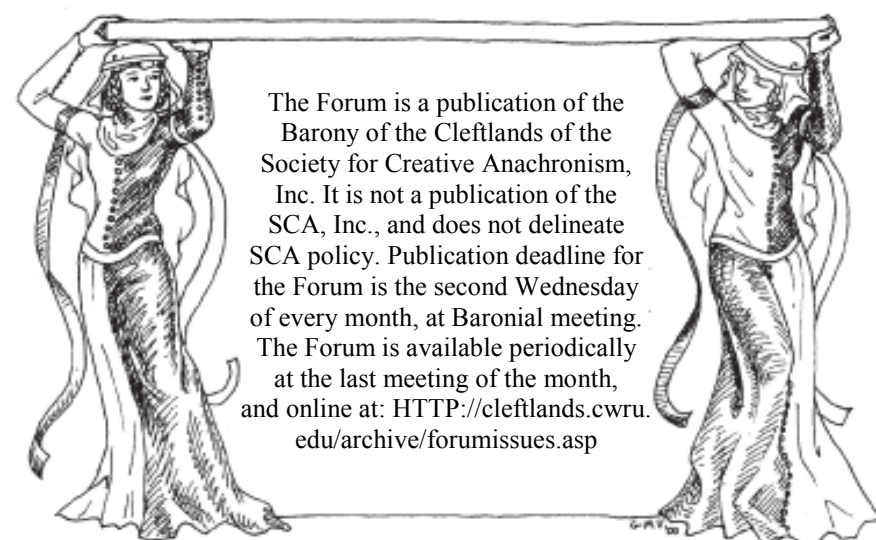
### December Yule Revel

Edward and Milesent invite all to the Second December Yule Revel-December 17th

As last year's Revel was a huge Success, we plan to do this again.

Highlights will include:

- A Baronial Court
- Dance challenge: complete 10 dances with no calling and win a beautiful prize. See Guild-mistress Sibylla for details.
- A&S display - Bring what you have been working on this year. Impress your friends.
- Food! it is a dessert revel
- Fun with friends



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### Upcoming Events:

Nov. 1—Road to Alexandria  
Gwyntarian—Stow OH

Nov. 7-8 —Known World Academy of the Rapier 2008  
Fenix—Fort Mitchell KY

Nov. 7-10— 5th Known World Bardic Congress and  
Cooks Collegium  
Aethelmearc—Slippery Rock, PA

Nov. 8—Battle in the Maize  
Falcon's Quarry—Wellington OH

Dec. 6—Christmas Tourney XXXVII  
Flame—Crestwood KY

Jan. 24—A Regular Event in the Cleftlands  
Cleftlands—Cleveland OH



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## Fall Crown Results

It is with great pleasure that we find our own EikBrandr and Runa, or Theo and Alex as they are also known, to be our Kingdom's new heirs. On October 18, 2008, EikBrandr won the crown by defeating Duke Edmund in the finals. Three bouts were fought and EikBrandr stood victorious on the list.

We all rejoice and celebrate his victory and look forward to serving Their reign upon the Dragon Throne. The populace of the Cleftlands will be called upon to help with Their reign, so let us all examine our hearts and help where help we might.

Footnote:

It should be no surprise that Sir Rutgar and Sir Nicholai did well in this Crown tournament. Keep your eyes open for a future King Rutgar and King Nicholai.



## Sundial Creators Donate Original Drawings and History to University Archives



Once more our Barony makes it mark in the history of Case Western Reserve University.

Members of our Barony; Sir Karl, Gladius, and Pieter van Doorn (originally from Cleftlands) presented the original designs and photographs of the Sundial, on CWRU campus, as a gift to the University Archives. The sundial stands in front of Thwing Center on Euclid Avenue and has kept time for the last 25 years.

The time piece was gifted to the university in 1983 to commemorate the 10th anniversary of the campus group. About 5 years ago, the sundial had a major overhaul and was cleaned and repaired by the same three mentioned above. It was re-presented and re-mounted at that time.

*Interested in learning more? Sir Karl and Gladius are still active in our Barony, ask them sometime.*





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## Baronial Positions:

The SCA is a volunteer organization. We are all here to have fun and enjoy ourselves. To make it work for everyone, some have to sacrifice their time.

Our Barony currently needs to fill a few Baronial positions.

Demo Coordinator—HRH Runa cannot do everything and needs to step down to take on the larger role of Royalty.

Chronicler—We have been without a chronicler for a while. We are still searching for candidates. The Baron put this Forum together and would prefer to have someone else do it.

Exchequer—Our current exchequer wishes to step down and this is a necessary position that has to be filled.

If you feel you are qualified or just want to talk about what these positions entail, please speak to Constanza, Milesent, or Edward.

## Tooting the Baronial Horn

Over the last two months a number of Cleftland fighters have distinguished themselves. Lets say Hoobah to all.

Sgt. Artair was named Kings Champion for HRM Ullr.

Raglan Faire - Drachenwald - THL Lyonnete Vibert won honors. She was chosen the overall winner of the Pas and was awarded for the most spirit on the field. At the same event Baron Edward was awarded the prize for most curtesy and honor on the field.

Pounce - Baron Edward won the Atlantian Speed Tournament.

Red Dragon - Sir Rutgar won the points tournament. The Cleftlands team of Farthan, Wingfang, and Vedrix was the only team to beat the Dragon. All the prizes went home with the Cleftlands.

Crown Tournament - Sir EikBrandr won the crown for his lady, Baroness Runa.

## New Neighbors ....*Again!*

Well, they are not really new neighbors, but the fair Barony of Brendoken is ready to determine a new Baron and Baroness for their lands.

Baron Alexander and Baroness Catriona Stepped into this position almost five years ago. They are the founding Baron and Baroness and are ready to retire to their estates. As one of their neighbors, Milesent and I have built friendships with them and thank them for the support they showed to us when we stepped up to the position of Baron and Baroness of Cleftlands.

Polling is now being done by the Kingdom to decide who might be the best replacement for them. This closes October 31, 2008.

It will be up to our current Crown to make the final decision. An important decision too, for it will set the course for Brendoken for the next five years. Not an enviable position, but one of the burdens of the Crown.

Alexander and Catriona stepped up at the Masque of Courtly Love event. I have a feeling they will want to step down at the same event.

We wish them all the best, and look forward to meeting our newest cousins.

Edward—3rd Baron of the Cleftlands

## Raglan Faire

*By Baron Edward*

So there we were, Fighting in a CASTLE!  
Three brave souls set off for 15th century Raglan Castle located in Raglan Wales; Baroness Milesent, THL Lyonnete Vibert, and Baron Edward.

Yes, it was a long way and the logistics of moving armour across the lands and seas was troublesome at times, but we arrived to a beautiful sunny day.

The day was filled with many activities, but the center of these was the heavy fighting.



There was a great Pas d'arms held under the watchful eye of Queen Fiona of Drachenwald and a gallery of Ladies. His Majesty was also there as well as the Viceroy of Insulae Draconis, both who partook of the fighting.

Many challenges were made and met, with smiles, cheers, and camaraderie.

As the day progressed we formed into two small armies and met throughout the castle grounds in a series of battles that slowly lead us from the front gate through the court yards following the path of a real siege, to finally the bridge. Yes, a real bridge, over a real moat, really 20 feet above the water. We hear tell there is a sword and pole arm in that very moat from last year's battle.

Afterwards there was much cheer and court was held.

To be fighting in a castle is truly an experience not to be missed if the opportunity arises. Seeing the rising walls, watching stone dust fall as you strike the passage walls, seeing killing zones form naturally as you try to pass between well protected gates and doorways. One gets a real feeling for what it was like.