

The Flames of the Dragon

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Dragon's Laire Finance and Business Meeting Notes

Held November 10, 2020. Compiled November 13, 2020. Additional notes from the business meeting are summarized and indicated. Artunis, Chronicler

Finance Meeting Notes:

Barony of Dragon's Laire Finance Meeting Report November 10, 2020

Committee members:

- Brandy Stier, Branch President
- Michael Aaron Rogers, Branch Treasurer
- Amanda Zeitler, Committee Member
- William David Peters, Committee Member

Other members:

- Wendy McComb, Finance Committee Recording Clerk
- Jennifer Lee, Deputy to the Branch President
- Heidi Schulmeyer, Deputy to the Branch Treasurer
- 1. Account Balance:
 - a. Total on deposit:
 - a.) Checking: \$47,847.71
 - b.) Savings: \$24,299.37
 - c.) CD: \$10,318.39
 - b. Signatories: Working with the bank to complete signature cards.
- 2. Event Bids:
 - a. None at this point in time.
- 3. Purchases/Expenditures/Fund Raising
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Barony of Dragon's Laire, SCA Inc. Business Meeting Reports and Notes: Baron and Baroness: Baroness Kloe of Thira and Baron Arion the Wanderer.

Greetings Dragon's Laire,

As the Fall chill and gentle rains settle on the Barony, we prepare for our Virtual Yule Celebrations. We are working with Kosem, our Social Media Deputy, to find the best way to collect your photos of past Baronial and SCA activities to share. Even though we can't meet up in person, we can still share the fun! Court will happen! We plan to give out a number of Awards as part of a live feed. Please join us in honoring some of your fellow members of Dragon's Laire. Classes and Bardic activities are also in the planning stages.

With Yule in the future we would like to distribute holiday cards to any who wish to receive them. If you would like a card please fill out this form so that we can send you one: https://tinyurl.com/DLCardContact

Another way to see smiling faces of our SCA family is to join our weekly Virtual Socials on Tuesday evenings at 6 PM. If you would like to offer a class as part of the Social, let us know! Here's the Zoom link: http://tiny.cc/dxoasz

And speaking of classes, our own HL Eilidh Keldeleth is offering a class on Nalbinding this month: https://www.facebook.com/events/1272482943102252 There is a wealth of classes being offered virtually across the Known World. You now have incredible opportunities to learn for people you will probably never be able to meet in person!

The New Dragon's Laire Sergeantry program is out for review. We are getting great feedback that is helping us build an even better program. This isn't your grandfather's Sergeantry! Rather than a year long study with a make or break trial at the end, the goal of the program is to build effective teams that are knowledgeable about all aspects of the SCA. Full details will be announced during Court at Yule, we hope to see you there to find out more!

Largess is a way to share your arts and skills beyond our borders. With the down time between live events we are always looking to see what items you have been working on for future Largess. At this time we are preparing care packages to send out to other baronies, if they wish to receive them, to share as events begin again sometime next year, or as thank you's to those who work hard virtually within their baronies. We are also putting together item's to share within our grand barony as well. If you have items for largess and wish to hand them off, please contact Baroness Kloe of Thira to arrange a porch drop or pick-up. If anyone wishes to teach a virtual class on various largess style projects (bags, necklace making, painting cards, etc) please reach out as well.

We are always looking for Award recommendations from the populace. If you know someone doing wonderful things, please let us know. Here's the form! https://www.facebook.com/events/1272482943102252

In Joyous Service to the Dream,

Baroness Kloe of Thira and Baron Arion the Wanderer

Dragon's Laire, An Tir

Seneschal: THL Ciar ingen Fiachnae

Greetings Good Gentles of the Barony of Dragon's Laire!

I have received feedback from the Kingdom Seneschal on our Customary and overall we are in excellent shape! There are two things that need added, one they had a question about, and a few typos. Once those corrections are made the question satisfied, our Customary will be officially approved!

There have been no updates about when activities will resume in Washington State. Given the recent spikes in infections in both the county and State as well as across the Kingdom, it is unlikely to be soon. I understand that this may be frustrating but keeping the Populace safe is the primary concern. For an update on Washington's current status, a media briefing was released on November 10th and can be viewed https://www.tvw.org/watch/?clientID=9375922947&eventID=2020111030

Yule planning is underway. It will be virtual with an Ethereal Court. Because of the nature of the event, we may need release forms those providing content. These forms protect you, the owner of the content, and let you outline how the content can be used by the SCA. We are utilizing an online form for these releases - this avoids any issues with having to print and then scan things for submission, which should make the process even smoother. More details to come from Master Arontius during the Yule update.

Please continue to be safe! Not only do we still have the pandemic, our weather has taken abrupt turn to wet and freezing with the accompanying power outages and downed trees!

Ciar ingen Fiachnae

Exchequer: Master Arontius of Byglelswade

Greetings All,

The below incorporates any and all actions requested or pending currently for the Dragon's Laire Financial Committee to date. If you have items you would like added, please let me know.

Of course, as always, let me know if you have any questions!

Many Thanks! Arontius. Exchequer, Dragon's Laire

Dragon's Laire Financial Committee (DLFC) November, 2020, Meeting Agenda November 10, 2020

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Librarian: THL Ela Pennayth y Ynis Dewi

No report submitted.

Marshallate

Hail! Great and Dreaded Barony!

Here is your Baronial Mashal Report for the Month of October of the fearsome year of 2020.

The weather has turned cold and the rains and wind make cool the fervor of our battle lust, our hearts yearn for the feast and fest that fits the season but no tourneys or shows of arms are to be had. But keep heart for the fire within our warriors remains unquenched, and once the miasma of plague has left our shore we stand ready to unleash the fury of dragons!

In accordance with local regulations and Crown decree, there has been no Marshalate activities.

Your in service

Conrad Ross

Baronial Mashal

Chief Archer: Arcos Alaricus Simmonds

Archery Report

Greeting Dragon's Laire not much happening in the archery world. I will be meeting Artunis on Saturday to pick up the archery officers items so I can prepare for the day we finally get back to in person activities.

Waiting to receive IKAC 2019 medals.

In service Alaricus Simmonds OGGS Archery Officer Barony of Dragon's Laire Lists: THL Liu Xian

No report submitted.

Rapier: Baron Jacques de Normandie, OWS

No report submitted.

Siege: THL Arqai Ne'urin

No report submitted.

Thrown Weapons: Arcos Stephen the Sinister

Lord Telemon of Crete is stepping down as officer; Arcos Stephen the Sinister is stepping up as officer, per the approval of the following officers:

Ciar ingen Fiachnae, Seneschal

Arontius of Bygelswade, Exchequer

Conrad Ross, Baronial Marshal

Kloe of Thira, Baroness

Arion the Wanderer, Baron

Countess Elizabeth, Herald

Youth Armored Combat: Titus Octavius

No report submitted.

Minister of Arts & Sciences: Magistra Aelianora de Wyntringham

Dragon's Laire Arts and Sciences Minister Report: November 2020

Shutdown continues. Despite that, Arts and Sciences stuff is happening, as it can. Many thanks to those who have taught, or shown off their current projects, at the Tuesday DL online socials and at other times.

There will be Arts and Sciences happenings at online Yule. Stay tuned! And we are currently working out how to do the Baronial Arts and Sciences and Bardic Championships at Candlemas, as that event will be online as well. Once again, stay tuned!

Thanks for hanging in there with us as we work all this stuff out, and once again, if you want to be part of the Arts and Sciences team, let me know.

YS,

Magistra Aelianora de Wyntringham

Chronicler: Lady Artunis of Dragon's Laire

Still working on getting access to the official email. Otherwise, nothing to report.

Golden Dragon Pursuivant (Herald): Countess Elisabeth de Rossignol

At present, things are at a standstill. Online consultations for names and devices continue.

Chatelaine: THL Ataliana 'Talia' de Segna

No report submitted.

Webminister: Lord Máenach na Cailled Looking for a Deputy or two

Greetings, and welcome to November!

Over the past month I have welcomed several new contributors to the site, and I've been helping to plan for both Yule and Candlemas.

In addition, I'm working on some cleanup and reorganization of the site, especially the "Forms and Resources" page. I plan to break that page into several different pages to make it easier to find what you're looking for and reduce the need for endless scrolling.

Looking to the future: I'm hoping to add a new section to our site to help keep the dream alive during these strange times. The short version: I'd like to collect some beginner-friendly information about a variety of activities which people can engage in, or at least prepare for, even in relative isolation. I'm just getting started on this but may be contacting various members of the Populace for specialized knowledge and information as the project gradually moves from idea to reality.

In service, Máenach na Cailled Webminister, Dragon's Laire

Scribe: Dame Tamlyn of Wyntersea

Charters are in the process of being painted. Some charter designs are still in progress.

If you are interested n designing or painting charters, originals please contact me.

Annual Scribal supplies budget has been sent to Master Arontius.

Social Media: THL Kösem of House Awry

No report submitted.

Youth and Family Activities: THL Bera-Skall Hrafnsdottir of House Awry

No report submitted.

Guilds & Groups

Culinary & Spirit-makers: THL Ciar ingen Fiachnae

Culinary Guild Report Nothing to report.

Some cool things that are culinary adjacent: Online Conference - The Anglo-Saxon Agricultural Revolution in Norfolk Saturday Nov 14th at 1:30 AM (Yes, time changes) https://www.facebook.com/events/609784539904860/ An Tir's Collegium Saturday Nov 14th! https://collegium.antir.org/collegium-v-schedule/ - There's is a garden class from Eleanor de Bolton who is, in my experience, an excellent speaker and enthusiastic medieval gardener. - A class on the alternatives to wine and beer in the medieval period from Lissette de la Rose

Ciar ingen Fiachnae

Scribal: Maitre Renart le fox de Berwyk

Research Corpus: Magistra Aelianora de Wyntringham

Research Corpus should be starting up again this month, and I will be leading a discussion at Collegium about online research.

Events & Event Steward Reports *Yule 2020: Master Arontius:*

VIRTUAL DRAGON'S LAIRE YULE FEAST -

Greetings All!

The Yule Feast Planning Team met last week and collaborated on a tentative plan to support the traditional Dragon's Laire Yule Feast Celebrations, to be held this year on Saturday, December 12th. The start time is 10AM. Online activities will be held throughout the day, culminating with a Court from Their

Excellencies Arion and Kloe. After Court, Countess Elizabeth will be hosting a Virtual Feast, showing what was planned for the actual feast in-person and how it was prepared. This tentative plan also includes a sound-track put together by Countess Elizabeth in order to help promote jolliness of the season.

The below are the tentative plans at this point. We've experimented and performed various aspects of what we want to do with our Virtual Event as part of our Baronial Operations to date, but this is probably our most ambitious plan to date to encompass an all day affair, so more planning is required as well as contingencies for things that do not work out as expected.

We are planning to utilize Zoom in order to facilitate the Event. It can be broken out into different rooms / separate venues in order to support various classes, lectures, presentations, etc.

The majority of the day will utilize an Arts and Sciences theme, so Magistra Aelianora de Wyntringham is the central point-of-contact for most such activities and should be consulted on activities you may want to include, or ideas you may have. I'll be helping her closely to coordinate everything into a cohesive structure. So please ask one of us if you have any questions whatsoever in this regard.

Please consider contributing to the day. Subjects we are looking to include:

- * Demonstrations of Arts and Sciences Activities in which you are involved.
- * Lectures on subjects of which you've done research.
- * Presentations intended to be part of the Scholars Program, either complete or in development.
- * Presentations intended to be part of future Arts and Sciences competitions.

Additionally, we intend to have one room, or venue, devoted to Bardic Activities. His Excellency Arion actively seeks contributions from all the past Dragon's Laire Bardic Champions as part of this effort. Finally, we want to have one room, or venue, devoted to Martiallate Activities. Do you have a fighting style to demonstrate? Would you consider sponsoring, and hosting, a drill session where you lead people virtually through a drill sequence? How about fighting techniques, either individual or a battle scenario with a squad of fighters? This has many possibilities, please ask questions and seek advice on this.

ALSO, WE ARE ENCOURAGING AS MUCH OF THIS TO BE PRE-RECORDED AS POSSIBLE! This will help with timing, and help with 'quirks' in the system. It also allows individuals the time to put together something with which they are truly satisfied to present. Also, consider a pre-recorded presentation built with time at the end for a 'question and answer' session available.

At 4PM, the break-out sessions will end and Virtual Court will begin with Their Excellencies Arion and Kloe. Their Court Coordinator is Mistress Luaithrend, who should be sought for items to be added to the agenda as well as any questions you may have in regards to Court. At this point the intention is to have both Live and Pre-Recorded presentations as part of this Court.

Upon completion of Court, we will begin our Virtual Feast as hosted by Countess Elizabeth de Rossignol. This is still a Work-In-Progress, so expect updates and changes as more input is gathered and plans are made.

WE NEED HELP! Our Baronial Web-Minister, Lord Maenach (Christopher Willis-Ford), is only one person and there will be multiple rooms to manage. He will also need breaks over the course of the day. If you

could volunteer and hour or two in order to help moderate and facilitate rooms, it would be greatly appreciated!

Points-Of-Contact for our Virtual Event (More to be added as plans develop):
Baron: His Excellency Arion the Wanderer (Arion Wanderer)
Baroness: Her Excellency Kloe of Thira (Kloe Thira)
Court Coordinator: Mistress Luaithrend Inghean Uilliam (Luaithrend Inghean Uilliam)
Event Steward: Arontius of Bygelswade (Michael Aaron Rogers)
Arts and Sciences Coordinator: Magistra Aelianora de Wyntringham (Rikke Giles)
Martiallate Activities: HL Lysander (Ben Montfort) / Conrad Ross (Brian Chamberlin)
Feast Coordinator: Countess Elizabeth de Rossignol (Lisa Mohr)
Seneschal: HL Ciar ingen Fiachnae (Brandy Stier)

Please let me know if you have ANY questions! Many Thanks! Arontius.

Candlemas:

Arts & Sciences Play Day (Spring):

June Faire 2021: Sir Andras Trumark

Arts & Sciences Play Day (Fall):

New Business

Bid for Candlemas from Ciar

Virtual Candlemas – February

Current plan: Virtual event is scheduled on the Kingdom Calendar and currently claims we will have live Court – We can change this based on Their Excellencies' plans. But LIVE court requires no event conflicts.

Utilize the Baronial Website for sharing presentations and displays, Bardic performances, and Scholar's papers/presentations.

Use Zoon, possibly 2 accounts, to allow presentations for Championships, one-on-ones, social gatherings, etc.

Final setup for the rules for the Championships and Scholar's Papers to come. Once settled those and the judging forms will be available on the Dragon's Laire website.

Cost: No additional cost at this time. Depending on the number of participants and moderators, we may need an additional 1-month Zoom, which would be \$14.99 plus taxes.

Who can participate? Anyone.

If you don't want to be champion, that's fine! As in previous years, you can do a single entry (if you want to go through the evaluation process) or just a display of a project, body of work, what you're researching... the options are pretty endless.

How are we going to share this? Using the Dragon's Laire website using Wordpress.

I don't have technical skill. Webpages are beyond my skill. That's okay! The way this works is very similar to using a document program such as Word or Google Docs. Copy and paste or type directly on the page with uploading of photos. Also, we can help you.

How will this work for Bardic presentations? We recommend pre-recording if you're doing the Championship (instructions to come) so that you can submit the presentation you like the most. This can be done with webcams, phones, tablets, etc.

Deadlines? TBA.