

The Flames of the Dragon

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Dragon's Laire Finance and Business Meeting Notes

Held March 02, 2021. Compiled March 11, 2021.

Additional notes from the business meeting are summarized and indicated.

Artunis, Chronicler

Finance Meeting Notes:

Barony of Dragon's Laire Finance Meeting Report March 02, 2021

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Business Meeting Reports and Notes:

Baron and Baroness: Baroness Kloe of Thira and Baron Arion the Wanderer.

Greetings Dragon's Laire,

What a wonderful Candlemas we had. So many amazing presentations and performances. You all inspire us, and we look forward to seeing more from our competitors, and from the populace at large. The event team did an amazing job of bringing everything together and smoothly, even if they had issues we rarely saw it. We would be lost without you. We handed out several awards during the event, and are working diligently to get the physical copies delivered to each of you. As we have been passing off champions regalia we have been gathering back check-out forms for the items in each champions care.

Speaking of champions.... Champions, We need to hear from you. If you could take images of your regalia so that we can inventory it, that would be amazing. We will send out a form for you to log the items on and take claim of them until they are turned over. If you would like, Baroness Kloe is willing to take said images on a dress form outside her house. Just let us know

Sergeantry kicked off at Candlemas as well. While in the past we only accepted intent notices at Candlemas the pandemic has shook things up a bit and we are continuing to accept your declarations for the next few months. We will revisit this in May to see if we need to keep the opportunity open or close it until next year. We are also working on getting books and guides delivered to anyone who needs a copy.

Have you ever wanted to know what goes on behind the scenes of court? Do you find joy in gathering info and making sure it is all organized? Then we could so use you! We are looking for a Court Coordinator to help make sure everyone and everything is organized and ready to go for court. You will work closely with us and the court herald, as well as anyone who requests to have business in court. If you are interested please email the coronets to find out more! DragonsLaire.Baroness@antir.org and DragonsLaire.Baron@antir.org

As Furia Dommitia said June Faire and the Kitsap Medieval Faire are coming soon, we hope to see it happen, virtually, this year. We understand that times are different, energy is low, and virtual is hard. We are looking for someone, or two, to take the lead and create a virtual june faire, and kitsap medieval faire. If you are interested in stepping up please reach out to our Seneschal Furia Dommitia.

Yours in Service, Baroness Kloe and Baron Arion

Seneschal: THL Furia Dommittia

Greetings and Salutations to the Blustery Barony of Dragon's Laire!

Firstly, I would like to thank HL Ciar, her event staff, and our amazing A&S/Bardic communities for an incredible Candlemas! I am constantly blown away by all the creativity and talent Dragon's Laire has to offer.

Secondly, June Faire. As of this report, Their Excellencies and I have not had anyone reach out to express interest in being the Event Steward for June Faire 2021. Their Excellencies and I spoke and agreed that if we have not had a bid for Event Steward by the April business meeting, June Faire will be cancelled for 2021. I understand that it can be intimidating but please reach out if you are interested.

Thirdly, we are currently looking for an Event Steward for a live event in October 2021. If you are interested in running Dragon's Laire's first in person event, please reach out to Their Excellencies and me.

I would also like to thank Ciar for being willing to be my Contingency Deputy and agreeing to still sacrifice her time and brain to support the Barony.

Speaking of deputies, darn near all of our Officers need one! If you are interested in learning more about a position, please reach out to me or the Officer in question! Deputies keep everything moving forward and teaching more people prevents burnout!

I wanted to take a moment to thank everyone here for continuing to take time to participate in the SCA. I know that the outside world presses harder on us than ever before and living through history is exhausting. I completely understand that even devoting a few hours once a week or once a month can be a daunting goal but the fact that each of you still carves time and spoons to continue to be part of this Barony and community makes my heart lighter.

Yours in Service,

Furia Dommitia

DL Seneschal

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! Adelheide.

Exchequer, Dragon's Laire

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Librarian: THL Ela Pennayth y Ynis Dewi

No report submitted.

Marshallate

Greetings Great Barony of Dragon's Laire!

Here in is your Baronial Marshal Report for February of the year 2021:

Bitter and cold is the month. The frozen winds blow across the empty barrens of our battlefields, stirring the ghosts of banners flying in our minds eyes. We hold to Hearth and home and await The Sable Lion's call!

In accordance with Crown Decree and State ordinance there has been no martial events or activities.

Yours in Service

Conrad Ross

Baronial Marshal

Chief Archer: Arcos Alaricus Simmonds

March Archery Officers report is again short as there is still no in person activities.

Alaricus Simmonds OGGS

Archery Officer

Lists: THL Liu Xian

No report submitted.

Rapier: Baron Jacques de Normandie, OWS

No report submitted.

Siege: THL Arqai Ne'urin

Baronial Siege Marshal's Report: It's shop time! Development continues on the Baronial siege engine corps. A fourth, yes FOURTH, ballista is now in the works. The existing ballistas are either combat/range ready or in modification/ improvement. Individuals are on the range as well as can be managed, still under the isolation orders from the Crown. You do realize, Your Majesty, that by ordering us to stay in our shops that this sort of thing was inevitable, correct? Arkai Ne'urin

Thrown Weapons: Arcos Stephen the Sinister

Greetings Mighty Barony,

The range stays quiet and abandoned at the behest of the Kingdom and local governmental decrees. The shed remains intact and unmolested. The loaner gear is safe at home and waiting for a nice, warm day to be gone over and cleaned. Targets are still awaiting to be either repaired or replaced, as deemed necessary.

Kingdom paperwork has started moving again and previous lapses in Marshallate status have since been corrected.

I look forward to the day when we will all be able to throw and socialize again.

IS,

HL Stephen the Sinister, OOGS

Dragon's Laire Thrown Weapons Officer

Youth Armored Combat: Titus Octavius

No report submitted.

Minister of Arts & Sciences: Magistra Aelianora de Wyntringham

Report

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

Once again, quiet times in herald land. I participated in the Virtual Herald's Point project in February, and am working with Lions Blood staff on the Kingdom submissions letter. I am looking forward to working with you all in person again.

Countess Elizabethe

Chatelaine: THL Ataliana 'Talia' de Segna

No report submitted.

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

Greetings, and welcome to Lentmonat!

As the dust from our winter events settles, I have returned my focus to general maintenance on the website and our other digital services.

From Candlemas I learned that navigating our website is not as intuitive as I had hoped, and certain parts of it don't work well on phones and tablets. I have begun planning a simplification project that should help with these issues, as well as trimming some of the outdated content from our site. This will happen in batches and the first step will involve making the navigation menu work better on phones. More information to come as the project progresses.

Also, after coordinating with the Kingdom IT team our mailing list appears to be back in order. It has been moved to a new Google-based system and it appears the subscriber list has been preserved, but I still need to make a couple more changes before it's back up and running. Unfortunately the email address for the list has changed; I will send out the new address as soon as I finish setting it up. I will share on the DL website, Facebook, and email list when that happens, which I expect to be in the next few days.

For some strange reason, Ciar has found herself with some small amount of free time. For some even stranger reason, she has decided to spend some of it helping with the Baronial website. In particular, she's preparing to work on an online Grete Boke project, recording the history of the Dragon's Laire. If you have old maps, newspaper clips, art, or anything else related to the history of Dragon's Laire and would like to offer it as a contribution to this project, please email Ciar at "Ciar.ingen.Fiachnae@gmail.com".

Scribe: Dame Tamlyn of Wyntersea

Report.

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

Continuing to be pretty quiet!

Some great classes and presentations have been made available this month from the University of the Midrealm and also from An Tir's own Eleanor de Bolton, current Kingdom A&S Champion.

What looks to be a great source for medieval Jewish recipes starting in the 13th century is coming soon! https://www.academicstudiespress.com/.../sephardi-cooking...

Ciar ingen Fiachnae

Culinary & Spirit-makers Guild

Scribal: Maitre Renart le fox de Berwyk

No report submitted.

Research Corpus: Magistra Aelianora de Wyntringham

Report

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

VIRTUAL DRAGON'S LAIRE YULE FEAST -

Candlemas:

Candlemas Final report!

At peak attendance during the event we had 45 accounts viewing Zoom, this is not an individual count of all accounts that were on throughout the day or a count of number of people at that viewing.

We had 3 Arts & Sciences competitors, one single-entry, and 3 Bardic competitors. Everyone's work was amazing and highly enjoyable! If you missed the day, you can go check out their work and leave comments and questions! https://dragonslaire.antir.org/.../candlemas-2021.../.

We have 3 Scholars; Magistra Aelianora has already presented by THL Annaka and Maitre Renart will be presenting at the next two Socials. Their papers are available to download from the above link.

Many thank yous to Their Excellencies, Baroness Kloe and Baron Arion, as well as Lord Maenach, Magistra Aelianora, and THN Kosem for their work on the event.

To those Artisans and who stood up to the challenge during the times of COVID: you were amazing and I would have had no event without your efforts. THL Marie nic Shioban, m'Lady Ysaunaa of Dragon's Laire,

m'Lady Halldora Bjorn, THL Arqai Nekhurin, m'Lord Farcus Cedrickson, Lady Sigrid Vilhjalmsdottir, m'Lord Iohnnus (Owain) ap Gwyllim Pengryth, THL Annaka Poznanska, Magistra Aelianora, and Maitre Renart le fox de berwyk.

To the Evaluators, THL Ermanrich 'Morgan' Goutmann, THL Andromacha of Lesbos, Master Arontius of Bygelswade, THL Volk the Grey, HE Dunstan M'Lolane, Master Thangbrandr, Dame Gwen the Potter, Marquessa Laurellen de Brandevin, THL Pernell Camber, and Countess Elizabeth. Thank you all for spending your day with us and for reviewing and commenting on entries both before and during!

To Maestra Althaia filia Lazari for hopping on to hold the open Q&A Martial chat.

And last but not least, many thanks to m'Lady Halldora Bjorn and Lady Furia Dommitia for moderator duties, we would not have been able to handle the day without you!

The Candlemas Gallery of Works will continue to live on the DL website and, hopefully, expand.

Ciar ingen Fiachnae

Event Steward