



The Flames of the Dragon

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Dragon's Lair Finance and Business Meeting Notes

Held December 06, 2022. Compiled December 12, 2022.

Additional notes from the business meeting are summarized and indicated.

Artunis, Deputy Chronicler

Finance Meeting Notes:

Barony of Dragon's Lair

Finance Meeting Report December

12/06/2022

Committee members:

- Tammie Dupuis, Branch President
- Heidi Schulmeyer, Branch Treasurer
- Amanda Zeitler, Committee Member
- William David Peters, Committee Member

Non-Voting Committee members:

- Jennifer Lee, Deputy Branch President
 - Kimberly Parks, Deputy Branch Treasurer
 - Kimberly Parks, Finance Committee Recording Clerk
1. Account Balances:
 - Checking: \$ 37506.20
 - Savings: \$ 34,318.29
 - CD: \$ 10,362.23
 2. Event Bids:
 - a. **Candlemas Bid.** *Steven Gardner (AKA Arqai Ne'urin)* Key Peninsula Civic Center. Approx \$700 for 12 hours, includes gym and commercial kitchen. Est total expense \$2600. Request to add additional room to host classes. Approved until further notice. Site approved for gym and kitchen. **With addition of the extra room the site rental went from 700 to 1680 rental fee + 450 for refundable. Motion to increase gate fee to 15\$. Approved pending agreement with BAO**
 3. Purchases / Expenditures / Fund-Raising:
 - a. Artunis, Request for 18 battle ponies to pull 9 chariots, will submit bid. **Moved to a later date.**
 - b. Request for funds to replace culinary supplies. Will submit receipts. Approved. **Waiting for Receipts to reconcile the cash advice.**
 4. Administrative Actions:
 - a. Annual officer budget review- **done and submitted to the Webminster**
 - b. Regalia Inventory 1st Quarter (Still here as a reminder)

5. Long Term Maintenance Agenda Items (Maintained on this agenda until resolved):

A. Purchase of three Baronial Day Shades- Amanda Zeitler (AKA HE Kloe of Thira)

Purchase of three Baronial Day Shades: Canvas was received in June. Poles, ropes, and stakes to be manufactured / acquired and Day Shades assembled for storage. Her Excellency Kloe is managing this effort at the moment. Several people volunteered to assist in this work. M'Lord Kamar (MKA Raymond Hicks) volunteered the use of an Industrial Sewing Machine for the manufacture of Canvas Bags in which to store Baronial Owned Equipment. If you have equipment, or time, you can donate for this cause, please contact Her Excellency Kloe. Susan Levitt purchased new rope. Reimbursement for supplies and a one-time travel allowance approved by the DLFC on 04/12/2021 to Susan Levitt. What is next for the project? Left to purchase: poles and pins, and stakes. Hold on acquiring poles due to the increased cost of lumber. Focus on acquiring stakes. Needs physical help to assess tents and number of stakes needed. David Meyers (AKA Thangbrandr) to submit a bid for pole pins and tent stakes. Approved. Reimbursement made 02/01/22. Dining fly poles bid - Lucy Submitted bid for poles. Approved for purchase of materials. Waiting for reimbursement request. Bag project will re-visit after June Faire. Tent bag project to be taken over by *Amanda Zeitler (AKA HE Kloe of Thira)* Baroness is requesting funds. Supplies have been received.
Waiting for Receipts to reconcile the cash advice.

B. Dame Ellen- Is requesting funds to assist with repairing kingdom cushions. About \$60. Will return with receipts. Approved. Cushions delivered Waiting for request. No update. **Receipt submitted and Check sent .**

C. Lucy, Request for new shelving for tent poles, materials for new roadside signs, new step ladder for storage unit. Approved for banner materials. Revisit new signs. Material and ladder already Reimbursed. Working on other items.

Business Meeting Reports and Notes:

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

November was a busy month of events and activities. Baroness Kloe, banners waving, made her way across the lands of Dragon's Lair and through to the Heart of Blatha An Oir. There, with her companions she joined in the revelry of their Harvest Feast. Dancers, classes, and conversations filled the halls. Having some unfinished business she presented some awards in court to those of their populace that have supported Dragon's Lair, Maire Blakater, with a Dragon's Flame as outgoing Bardic Champion, and Annaka Poznanska with a long overdue Scholars Scroll and a SnapDragon.

Not one week later did we travel the inland seas to attend Collegium. Arion taught a Moneyer class with the assistance of Master Raymond and Lonan. Lonan also took the oath on the anvil advancing her from Apprentice Moneyer to Journeyman Moneyer. This is a significant accomplishment that few people I've trained have achieved. The Bardic competition was amazing, with so many talented Bards taking the stage. Glad we didn't have to make the decision as to who the winner was. That had to be hard! During court we bore witness to many wonderful elevations, and even came home with an award or 2 to deliver as well. While we cannot say who threw the first strike, a snowball fight broke out during court, and brought many laughs and enjoyment to all.

Well, the 1st of December was covered with snow. Fortunately the "turnpike" from Seabeck to Oakville wasn't on December 3rd, so Baron Arion made the journey to Glymm Mere Yule. Sigridr was awarded a Forget-Me-Not for her retinue service to the Queen. Caterina da Savona and Hugues de Bertoncourt received an Award of Arms for their skills and services to the Barony. Arion confessed to the crime of Regicide, killing the King multiple times during Autumn War. He requested the death sentence, and provided the Queen with a combat bow and 2 dozen arrows to carry out the sentence. The King was notably not in attendance.

We have been honored to be graced by those who have been sharing different aspects of the SCA at our social and fight practices and look forward to the continuing classes and discussions that will fill the darker hours of the winter.

Sergerity Candidate meetings and check-ins will be held monthly virtually while the weather is cold and icy. The Sergerity Candidates are meeting on 12/11/2022 at 1 pm to discuss the calendar of meet-ups. Candidates and Active/Inactive Sergerity are welcome to attend. Links to the video call will be posted in the Facebook Group.

Speaking of Sergerity, this has been a learning curve for us all as we transitioned into a new program, mid pandemic, with limited options to gather and work on the tasks. With that being the case, we are officially setting the deadline for completion to Candlemas 2024, to give them all a full year to actively participate in the program, as it was designed to be done. All those who wish to formally redeclare their intent will do so at Candlemas 2023.

Any others who wish to embark on the path to Sergeant of Dragon's Lair, we ask that you declare your intent at Candlemas 2023, and join the journey of personal learning and growth alongside the others with a written, or visual, intent which will be due at that time.

After the holidays canvas kits for the tent bags will be available at Social for anyone who wants to stitch one together for the updated storage of our Pavilions.

As always, pay heed to the Crown's request, and submit award recommendations below. If you are not sure they have an award you think they should.... Check out the OP and ensure no one is forgotten for all the work and skill they share. Links included below. Along with the Dragon's Laire Awards links!

Dedicated in service,
Kloe, Baroness
Arion, Baron
Dragon's Laire, An Tir

[Seneschal: Laurellen de Brandevin](#)

My apologies for the succinctness of this report – I'm still getting my arms around the office. I promise I will be wordier next month!

General comments:

- The Barony is both financially and functionally doing well. The only officer vacancy is YAC, otherwise we have a full and active slate of officers.
- Martialate activities continue, mostly, despite the wacky weather.
- Classes have resumed at the Baronial Social, Tuesdays at the VFW hall.
- Active guilds continue to meet.

Upcoming events:

- Joint Candlemas with the Barony of Blatha An Oir. Arqai is the event steward and things are proceeding apace. Kingdom calendar is not updating as we would like which is unfortunate. I will be sitting down with Arqai and strategizing about how we can get around this until Calendar updates.
- Spring A&S Day Camp is coming up. Arontius is organizing this, and more information will be forthcoming.
- June Faire is ramping up. Elizabeth de Rossignol is our chairperson and several of the board positions have been filled but we still need volunteers to fill the positions of Parking, Volunteers, and Camping Coordinator. We will begin planning meetings, which are open to the public, sometime in the next month and a full roster of board members will be published at that time.

[Exchequer: HL Adelheide Leeuwin](#)

Please see financial meeting notes.

Librarian: THL Ela Pennayth y Ynis Dewi

No report submitted.

Marshallate

Mashal: Sarpedon

Dragon's Laire held 5 Armored Combat Practice during November and had 14 different total fighters. Tuesday participation has tapered off as the weather continues to cool. Sunday participation has been non-existent.

The Baronial and Armored Combat Marshals have 1 year remaining on their warrants please speak to either Sarpedon or Ermahnric if you are interested in becoming the Baronial or Armored Combat Marshal, or for any other marshallate questions.

The Baronial Marshal strongly agrees with the Rapier Deputy's idea about locating an indoor practice space.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Stin ypiresia tou oneirou mas,
Sarpedon
Baronial Marshal, Barony of Dragons Laire

Chief Archer:

No report submitted

Lists: THL Liu Xian

No report submitted.

Rapier: Baron Jacques de Normandie, OWS

Report

Siege: THL Arqai Ne'urin

No report submitted.

Thrown Weapons: Arcos Stephen the Sinister

No report submitted

Youth Armored Combat: Titus Octavius

No report submitted.

Minister of Arts & Sciences: HL Altaliana de Segna

December, 2022, and January, 2023, Classes At Dragon's Laire Socials and Upcoming Spring Arts and Sciences Day Camp -

Greetings!

We have one class lined up for December. Come to the Tuesday Social of December 13th and join in on the fun and learning. 😊

December 6th - Business Meeting / Financial Committee Meeting (No Class Scheduled).

December 13th - 'Feasts 101' by HL Jessy Gateman (Jessica Bennett). Come join HL Jessy as she goes over the basics of feasting in the SCA. This class will cover the types of feasts you might attend, what happens at feast events, and what you should bring with you. Handouts will be available. There will be no scheduled classes during the remainder of the month of December (December 20th and 27th). This is to allow for the holidays, and for the scheduling of other activities as desired.

In January, we have the following on tap:

January 3rd - Business Meeting / Financial Committee Meeting (No Class Scheduled). Remember, these meetings are open to anyone wishing to attend and can be a source of information on what is happening in the Barony.

January 10th - Kumihimo (Japanese braiding), re-scheduled from November and taught by HL Diana Cartier (Diana Cartier). She will be teaching how to make a Kumihimo key chain or bookmark (whichever is preferred to make). Class limit is probably 10, with a cost of about \$5 to cover the cost of the supplies to make and take a Keychain or bookmark home. To add your name to her roster, please contact her at <mrstrucker_58@yahoo.com>.

January 17th - 'The Surprisingly Fashionable Rectangle - 500+ Years of Style' taught by HL Caterina da Savona (Amanda Loftis). This class was taught at the recent event of Collegium. The class consists of about 45-50 min of "lecture" and then sort of open forum for practice/discussion. The intended audience is 'New-To-The-SCA' and 'New-To-Sewing'. How can you build on your basic garb to create a look that reflects a historical time and place? Start with an overview of the rectangular-construction style and some easy ways to personalize your tunic/gown. Then introduce some simple layers, legwear, and headwear. Finally, we'll practice "building the look" using museum examples of historical fashion.

January 24th - 'Hand-Sewing And Decorative Stitches'. This is a class which will be jointly taught by Countess Elisabeth de Rossignol and Marquessa Laurellen du Brandevin (Lisa Mohr and Tammie Dupuis). The structure of the class is in development now. More information to follow.

January 31st - No class scheduled to allow for other activities.

The classes above will begin at 6:30PM, unless the individual instructors indicate otherwise.

We're looking forward into February. We already have one in development but want more. If you have something you'd like to teach, let us know. If you have an interest on something you'd like to learn, let us know that as well. We can search for an instructor and see if we can arrange a class.

Early warning on the Dragon's Laire Spring Arts and Sciences Day Camp. We are tentatively scheduling this for sometime in later March, 2023. Scouting suitable locations now, but looking for something in the north of the Barony. Let us know if you have ideas. We have our standard fall-back location (the VFW Hall) if nothing suitable is available and will start providing details in January.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Thank You! HL Ataliana 'Talia' de Segna (Sharon Freiboth Greany), Arts and Sciences Minister of Dragon's Laire.

Arontius of Bygelswade (Michael Aaron Rogers) , Deputy A&S of Dragon's Laire

Chronicler:

No report submitted

Golden Dragon Pursuivant (Herald): Owain ap Gwyllim Pengryth

Oh great and generous Barony of Dragon's laire, Hear these the words of your Herald at the tidings of the month of Yule, eve of Winter, and the time of the great tapestry of celebrations. As the Solstice, (and my birthday- wink) approaches, be of good cheer! With the last month's unseasonal snows and biting cold many of the usual activities were curtailed or limited in some form. We still met on a number of occasions and multiple good folk did further work and research aided by your humble Herald. Others managed to make it to collegium and gained the assistance of kingdom heralds.

To all in need, now is a perfect time to do research. The cold months may limit our other activities, but submissions continue to be possible at all times. Please feel free to message me and set up a meeting either virtual or in person to set up your submissions.

Chatelaine: Halldora Bjorn

No report submitted.

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

Good gentles of Dragon's Laire, welcome once again to Ærra-ġēolamōnaþ!

Firstly: I'd like to thank Lady Caterina da Savona for covering nearly all the Webminister duties during my recent semi-absence. Thanks to her, our website is up to date with much of our December goings-on, and preparation for January and Candlemas is well underway. Please consider enriching our YouTube Yule with your bardic efforts, and join us next week for a class on Feasts! You can find more information on both these topics through our website news posts or the Book of Faces.

While technically not part of last month's efforts, I must share: as of today, the website forms are working again! Huzzah! I was able to find and implement an alternative solution that depends not on An Tir server settings but rather on our DreamHost "dragonslaire.org" email service. I've brushed some dust off those forms and will make further adjustments soon. This also opens the door for the possibility of other web forms!

Note that messages sent by our website will come from a new address I created today, so please check your SPAM folders and filters!

Please continue to send requests and updates to webfolks@dragonslaire.org so Lady Caterina and I can coordinate as we handle them. Thank you!

As always:

* If you're an officer (new or existing) and don't have access to your antir.org email account, you can go to <https://antir.freshdesk.com/> and select the "I've just taken over a new office" option. If you don't get a response after a week or so, let me know, and I'll do what I can to amplify your voice.

* If you're an officer and you're not sure whether or not you have an antir.org email account, contact me! I can answer that question.

* If you have questions about or suggestions for the website, send us an email: webfolks@dragonslaire.org

Yours in service,

Máenach na Cailled

Webminister, Dragon's Lair

Steward: [Lucy](#)

No report submitted

Scribe: [Dame Tamlyn of Wyntersea](#)

Report

Social Media:

No report submitted.

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

Games Minister Report: We tried some new ancient games. Fun was had! There has been sincere hinting that a bocce tournament would be a good thing, but I can't find a large enough lawn and we are not near a beach. I am wondering if we could manage a darts tourney indoors this winter. Let me know if you are interested (or if you have strong objections).

In service,

Lucy, now of Leek

Guilds & Groups

Culinary & Spirit-makers: THL Ciar ingen Fiachnae

We had a great November meeting with a sharing of snacks and medieval recipes. There is no December meeting, we will regroup in January!

The Honorable Lord Theodoric the Scholar is leading a project to highlight Culinary Guild activities and provide a tasty lunch - more details as the project develops.

We have several ongoing projects:

- Sweet Treats Cookbook
- Period Drinks Cookbook
- Spice kit largess packets with some suggested recipes
- THL Theodoric's project

We have our Dragon's Lair Culinary Guild Group and our monthly meeting. There are no requirements to be members and anyone is welcome. We are open to meet-ups outside of the regular schedule and are always interested in new resources!

Ciar ingen Fiachnae
Guild Leader

Scribal: Maitre Renart le fox de Berwyk

No report submitted.

Bardic Report: Master Arontius of Bygelswade

In hopes of dispelling Winter's Cold Chill Does The Bardic Arts and Sciences Deputy Send Greetings to the Mighty Barony of Dragon's Lair!

The Dragon's Laie Baronial Instrumental Chorus has been practicing and hope to maybe perform at an event upcoming soon (Candlemas?). Tentatively, we want to schedule at least one practice at one of the Tuesday Baronial Socials, as well as at one of the homes of those currently practicing in the group. We have mastered a handful of music (all dance) and want to start expanding our repertoire. Come join us! We have instruments to loan. We can provide music. We love to give encouragement.

We have a Facebook Planning Page, and enthusiasm to share. If you would like to join the Chorus, please let Arontius (Michael Aaron Rogers) or HL Pernel Camber (Elizabeth Ann Kamber) know and we will get you connected. We are looking for instrumentalists of any degree of skill, from very beginners to many-year experts. If you do not have an instrument, Arontius has a multitude of recorders for lending to get you started.

For our December YouTube Yule Presentation! Content is being gathered!! I have multiple recordings already in the queue. But I really want more! I am envisioning approximately an hour of content. I'm still working the rounds of people to ask for contributions, but want to invite anyone even remotely interested to contact me to take part. It can be singing, recitation, playing an instrument, story telling, relating an anecdote from your exciting SCA travels over the summer. Anything you would like to relate would be appreciated. This is our chance to gather and celebrate Dragon's Laire, An Tir, the SCA, and most importantly, our Medieval Family we've come to know so well over the past years. This is our YuleTide chronicle, which I'd like to see become a tradition. Much in the same way Christmas Musical Performances were such a mainstay of our times in school growing up. 😊

I'm looking for other activities to promote as well. If there is something of a Bardic Nature you would like to explore, please come speak to me. I can help you get started, maybe by connecting you to someone around the Kingdom already well versed in this artistic endeavor. If this is an activity that is does not have localized expertise, we can still find some way to get you started in this new bardic endeavor, which would be especially appreciated as a way to allow Dragon's Laire to experience something possibly new and different.

As always, any and all help would be appreciated. Especially enthusiasm!

Let me know if you have any questions!

Many Thanks! Arontius of Bygelswade (Michael Aaron Rogers).

Bardic Igor to THL Atalana de Segna (Sharon Freiboth Greany), Minister of the Arts and Sciences of the Barony of Dragon's Laire, foremost Defenders of all that is an Art and / or a Science in support of the Sable Lion.

Research Corpus: Magistra Aelianora de Wyntringham

Report

[Events & Event Steward Reports](#)