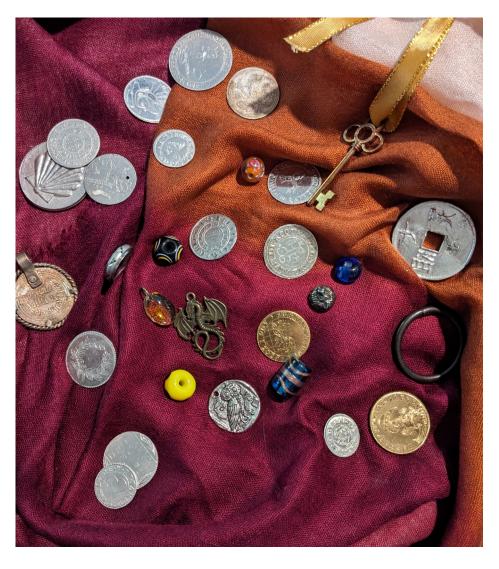


# The Flames of the Dragon

October 2024 Anno Societatis LIX (59)



Small hoard: A collection of coins, beads, and site tokens.

Photo Credit Ciar ingen Fiachnae



# Hear ye! Hear ye! Their Majesties have an announcement!

#### **Congratulations to the successors of Dragon's Laire!**



#### **Good afternoon good gentles!**

After reviewing the poll results we are minded to create HL Conrad Cedricson and HL Furia Domitia as the next Baron and Baroness of Dragons Laire. Congratulations!

Thank you to all who submitted their names for this process.

As a reminder, the change over will take place during Harvest Feast.

Yours in service,

**Brynhildr and Eirik** 

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#### In case you missed it! Opportunities to connect on the internet

- London Medieval Society, Colloquia: Identity, Saturday 23rd November 1:30 AM Pacific, via Zoom.
- Book of Kells, <u>digital scans updated!</u> See the Scans at the <u>Library of Trinity at the University of Dublin</u>.
- An Tir is considering starting a **Baker's Guild (Facebook)**.
- Updates to the Kingdom Arts & Sciences and Bardic Judging Forms!
   Stresses on accessibility and equity. Visit the An Tir Arts & Sciences
   website for more details.
- Known World Newcomer Symposium, Nov 30-Dec 1. visit their website to register for free and to view the class schedule! Classes are in Central Time.

# **Upcoming Events & Activities**

- Fall A&S Play Day: Karl inn irski & Countess Elisabeth de Rossignol, TBD
- **Candlemas**: February 1. Key Peninsula Civic Center, 170101 S Vaughn Rd NW, Key Center, WA 98394. Join Dragon's Laire and Blatha an Oir for a day of company and feasting! Event Steward Jessy 'Jess' Gateman.
- Ostara: March 29th. Island Lake Community Building off of Island Lake Road. Event Steward Adelheide Leeuwin.
- Spring Arts & Sciences Play Day: TBD
- June Faire/Kitsap Medieval Faire: June 20-22. Kitsap County Fairgrounds & Event Center. Bid in process.

#### **Modern Activities of Interest**

Disclaimer: None of the following activities are associated with the Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc or are sponsored/supported by it.

- Harvey (by Mary Chase) October 11-27 at the Port Gamble Theater
  - Everyone is worried about Elwood P. Dowd's relationship with his sizfoot, three-and-one-half-inch friend. Why you say.... Well he happens to be an invisible rabbit
- Just Between Friends, Bremerton's Pop-up Children's Resale, October 16-19th Kitsap County Fairground & Event Center
- 37th Annual Holiday Gift & Food Faire November 22-24 at the Kitsap Fairgrounds and Event Center

# **Harvestfest Highlights**

#### **Feast Menu:**

- Mezze Table: Marinated olives, feta cubes, pickled cabbage salad, spiced carrots, baked borek with spinach and cheese, grilled kofta kebabs, savory cabbage leaf sarma with meat, Visneli zeytinyağli yaprak sarma—stuff grape vine leaves with sour cherries, flatbread, Baba ganoush—roasted eggplant dip, hummus, Karnabahar mücveri—baked cauliflower with feta, dill, and onions, fresh vegetables, and hard-boiled eggs. Now with falafel!
- Main Menu: Boneless leg of lamb stuff with apricots, chicken in garlic and lime sauce, *Ash-e Omaj*—legume and vegetable stew, baked macaroni with vegetables and cheese, and rice pilaf.
- Dessert: Ghoraibi—shortbread-like cookies, lemon sorbet, and Persian tea with cinnamon.

# For those who choose not to compete, we also invited A&S displays for a Show-case. The following gentles will bring displays to Harvest Feast:

- THN Skalla Inkhands of House Awry hand-carved stamps and block printing
- HL Gondul the Unwitty cheese, meat, and other food preservation
- HL Kassandra of Dragon's Lair Assisi Italian long-armed cross stitch
- HL Alaricus Simmonds in-progress hand-made nyckelharpa
- L Akizuki Soujirou Kaoru kumihiko a type of Japanese weaving commonly used for cording stringing together plates of samurai armor
- L Hugues de Bertoncourt & L Caterina da Savona non-alcoholic beverages of the medieval Islamic world

L Catan Inghean Aeda — painted, embellished, and lined boxes

#### **Bardic Circle in the afternoon**

There will be a Bardic circle in the afternoon, before the presentations for the Championship competition. Everyone is welcome! Bring your storytelling notes, music, or words to a song or poem.

We will also enjoy music during "lulls" in the evening court, provided by Dame Elisabeth Piper, Order of the Laurel and Dame Elanor of Eccleshall, Order of the Laurel.

#### HARVEST FEAST A&S/BARDIC CHAMPIONSHIPS!

#### **ARTS & SCIENCES COMPETITORS**

#### HL BIANCA DI BALDASARRE SATURNIO

PRESENTING AN OVERVIEW OF WOMEN'S CLOTHING FROM SONG DYNASTY, CHINA (960-1279 AD) BASED ON PAINTINGS, SCULPTURES, AND EXTANT CLOTHING PIECES OF THE PERIOD.

#### LADY CATERINA DA SAVONA

PRESENTING A DISPLAY OF "HIS AND HERS" IONIAN GREEK COSTUME FROM THE CLASSICAL PERIOD. THE EMPHASIS IS ON EPHESUS, 5TH TO 3RD CENTURY BC. TEXTILE HISTORY, SURVIVING SCULPTURE AND STATUETTES, EXTANT FRAGMENTS IN MUSEUMS, AND SECONDARY SOURCES WERE USED TO INFORM THE DESIGN OF GARMENTS AND ACCESSORIES.

#### **BARDIC COMPETITORS**

#### LORD HUGUES DE BERTONCOURT

PRESENTING AN ORIGINAL POEM IN THE FORM OF A "CHANT ROYAL", A FORM OF VERSE AND SONG FROM THE LATE 13TH AN TIR'S ANTHEM. COMPOSED BY ROGER THE GOLIARD TO 15TH CENTURIES, RETELLING "LE COMBAT DES TRENTE" (COMBAT OF THE THIRTY), AS RECOUNTED IN JEAN FROISSART'S\_CHRONIQUES\_, FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF JEAN DE BEAUMANOIR, AS ROMANTICIZED BY PIERRE LE BAUD.

#### LADY SEONAG NIC GRIOGAIR

SINGING 'THE BRAVE AND BONNY HOST', THE KINGDOM OF AND ARIAS THE INNKEEPER'S DAUGHTER IN THE SUMMER OF AS XV (1980).

#### KARL INN IRSKI

PERFORMING 'IN TABERNA', A GERMAN FOLK TUNE FROM THE 11<sup>TH</sup> CENTURY, ON A SCRIOD REPROSECTION SCHEITHOLT AS DESCRIPED BY MICHAEL PRAETORIUS IN SYNTAGMA MUSICUM IN 1619.

#### **Combat Activities**

#### **Armored Combat**

There will be a prize tourney! Tournament will start as close to 11am as possible with armor inspection beginning around 10am. The format will be best of 3 with one of the victories being single sword in your off hand. Finals best of 5.

#### **Rapier Practice**

Bring your kit for a chance to practice with someone you don't fight with regularly! Practice starts at 10:30.

# **Harvest Feast Tentative Schedule**

#### Times and locations subject to change due to weather and SCA-time

- 8:00 AM Site opens for Set-up Crew, Kitchen Crew, and Competitors
- 9:00 AM Gate Opens for all Attendees
- 9:30 AM Baronial Invocation Court, upstairs in the Ceremonial Room\*
- 10:00 AM to 12:30 PM- Arts and Sciences Displays and Presentations\*
- 10:00 AM to 1:30 PM Heavy Fighting Prize Tournament (Open area next to Givens Community Center)
- 10:30 AM to 1:30 PM Rapier Practice (Open area next to Givens Community Center)
- 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM Lunch Break
- 1:00 PM to 1:45 PM Bardic circle open to all performers (upstairs in the Ceremonial Room)
- 1:45 PM to 2:30 PM Bardic Performances (upstairs in the Ceremonial Room)\*
- 2:45 PM Judging Ends, Deliberations of Their Excellencies and Advisors
- 2:45 PM Refreshments served before Court (Tea and Shaved Ice w/Syrups)
- 3:30 PM Gate Closes.
- 3:30 PM to 6:00 PM Evening Royal and Baronial Court, upstairs in the Ceremonial Room\*
- 6:15 PM (After Court) Feast Begins
- 8:00 PM Clean-Up of Site
- 10:00 PM Site Closes

#### **Weekly Calendar**

#### **Tuesdays**

- Armored and Rapier 6:00-8:00
- Social and Arts & Science Classes, doors open at 6:00, classes and meetings start at 6:30 unless otherwise indicated. Over at 8:00.
- First Tuesday—Finance & Business Meetings, all are welcome! Doors open at 6:00
   with the Finance Meeting starting at 6:30 and doors close at 8:00

#### **Sundays**

- Target Thrown Weapons Practice from 11:00 AM 12:30 PM
- Target Archery Practice from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM

All activities are currently held at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Hall.

#### **Planned activities during Social**

Oct 8th: Feasts 101 Class with HL Jessy Gateman, starting at 6:30 PM.

**Oct 15th: Games Night:** Newcomer's Academy, Heraldry! Games Night hosted by Gamesminister Lady Lucy of Leke!

**Oct 22 Bardic Night:** Drop-in Bardic Night, all skills and instruments welcome! Bring what you're working on, test out a piece with a small audience, and/or practice/jam with a group. Bardic arts include instrumental, singing, story-telling, poetry, and more!

**Oct 29: Treats:** Consider coming in costume, treats or toys welcome to share! We'll be in the hall, table decorating welcome!

**Nov 5:** Baronial Finance and Business Meeting! Updates about the state of the Barony, upcoming events, and projects. Everyone welcome!

#### **VFW Hall Location**

Henry Bryner Post 4992

9981 Central Valley Road NE

Bremerton, WA 98311

Do NOT PARK IN THE FIELD ACROSS THE STREET. Marked tow away zone.

#### **Scribal Guild Meeting**

October 24 and 25th both at 6:30 in Port Orchard!

#### Please note the rescheduled time

Focus for October is researching designs applicable to the new Baron and Baroness.

THL Conrad has an 1100CE Varangian
Guard persona who travels and likes
Norse art: Broa, Oseberg. Borre,
Jelling, Mammen, Ringerike, Urnes.

THL Furia is a Romano Celt from Caldonia, 350CE, and likes knotwork and mosaics.



Details from the Osberg Ship in the Viking Museum in Oslo, Norway. Wikipedia, CCBY-SA 2.5. Accessed 10/7/24.



Blackfriar's Mosaic, Roman Leicester. Wikipedia, By Dave from Leicester, UK - ROMAN LEICESTERUploaded by NotFromUtrecht, CC BY-SA 2.0, <u>Accessed 10/7/24</u>

#### **Culinary Arts Guild Meeting**



October 17th at 6:00 at Halldora's in Poublso

Cordials and Vanilla!

Please bring your own mix-ins or plan on some to share around (apples, berries, etc), jars of your preferred size (we will have some available as well), and definitely your own vanilla. If there is a specific type of alcohol you prefer/need for your cordial or vanilla, please discuss with Halldora!

Photo Credit: Ciar ingen Fiachnae, Vanilla extract and Apple Cranberry

#### **Misty Ridge Calendar**

#### **Sundays**

- Archery practice, 1:00 3:00 PM.
- Please email Fearghus at mistyridge.marshall@antir.org for directions.
- Scores are being submitted! Three scores per scoring quarter to establish an average.

#### Wednesday, October 30th 7:40 PM

- Business meeting online via Zoom
- Meeting invite available through the Incipient Canton of Misty Ridge Facebook group.

# How many people participated in the polling?

We asked!

The Kingdom Seneschal Polling Deputy, Lady Caterine Rose D'Evreux, was able to share the following:

There were 63 gentles that participated in the online polling. We do not have access to the number of emails Their Majesties received.

For comparison, we had 108 members attend June Faire 2024 and the previous polling had 267 members on the rolls.

### **Around the Region**

- Vulcanfeldt Vulcanalia: October 11-13: Fullbright Park; 4509 Main Street; Union Gap, WA 98903. A festival of archery to include Traditional, Historical, and Novelty Shoots. Baronial Championships to include Heavy & Rapier Combat, Target Archery & Thrown Weapons, and Arts & Sciences. Themed party to celebrate Harvest.
- **Caladphort** Rose and Thorn Symposium: October 11-13: Shiloh Inn, 707 Ocean Shores Blvd; Ocean Shores, WA 98569. Join us as we celebrate the women and gender diverse combatants of all disciplines! A weekend of classes and practicums.
- Blatha An Oir Harvest Feast: November 2: Dryer Masonic Center: 306 S 134th
   Street S; Tacoma, WA 98444. Come Join us to celebrate a great harvest and fun times with great people.
- **Fire Mountain Keep Crows Feast:** November 9: Newaukum Grange, NSA Chehalis, WA 98532. Friends, the rustling of wings and rattling of wind bid you welcome to the fantastic fete of Crows Feast. Journey to our mystical masquerade bearing the dishes which your skills have made. Potluck Feast, Largess Competition, Bardic Competition, Subtlety Competition. Please see the link for details.
- Yule-apalooz December 7th
  - Aquaterra <u>Good Yule</u>
  - Glymm Mere <u>Yule Feast</u>
  - Three Mountains Dual Yule Deux
  - Porte de l'Eau Good Yule
- Dragon's Mist <u>Yule, December 14th</u>
- Thornwold <u>Yule</u>, <u>December 15th</u>
- Three Mountains Twelfth Night Coronation and Bardic Championship, January 10-12: Double Tree Hilton, 1000 NE Multnomah Street; Portland, OR 97232.
- Aquaterra <u>Ursulmas</u>: January 24: Evergreen State Fairgrounds: 14405 179th Ave SE;
   Monroe, WA 98272.

#### **Bisket Bread also known as COOKIES!**

#### Elinor Fettiplace's Receipt Book (~1604-1642, England)

#### Adapted by THL Rycheza z Polska

Welcome and well met. Let's get cooking!

How about some cookies? Well, bisket bread. The original comes, once again, from Elinor

Fettiplace's Receipt Book dates between 1604 and 1642. There are several recipes for bisket bread in that manuscript and others can be found in several other cookbooks of the time. But we'll stick with this interpretation for today. You will need to use a scale to weigh out the ingredients.

Original: To make bisket bread

Take one pound of flower & pound of sugar, one ounce of anniseeds, half an ounce of coriander, minge these together, take viii eggs beat the verie well then put in your stuff. Then beat it altogether very well. Then take dishes & put an anoint them with butter & put the tuff into them. Let the oven be as hot as it is for manchet, when it is browne at top turne it & set it in againe, if you have it light put the yolks of viii eggs more to it & put the sugar with the eggs, before the flower bee put in.

I served both of these dishes at a Feast I shepherded for the Barony of Brendoaken in Midrealm a few years ago. Enjoy!

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#### **Redaction:**

2 eggs, well beaten

4 oz sugar - beat into eggs till smooth and all sugar liquified

Add flavoring: (There are many ways to go here; feel free to experiment. Period recipes often feature anise or caraway, but other options include lemon zest.)

Choose one: ½ tsp fresh lemon zest, ½ tsp course ground aniseed ½ tsp ground coriander, or ½ tsp rough ground caraway seed.

Blend in 4 oz sifted flour and beat till a bit blistered/bubbly

The batter will be the consistency of loose frosting rather than what we are used to as cookie dough.

Pipe out on a parchment-covered baking sheet in small shapes, round about the size of a quarter (I like to use a piping bag to get a consistent size, but you can also drop by spoonfuls.)

Bake 11 minutes at 350 or until the edges begin to brown – larger cookies may need more time to bake.

# **Contribute to The Flames!**

#### We are looking for contributions to the Flames!

Doing something neat? Found a fantastic article or video that you want to share? Send it in!

Looking for art and photos! The newsletter benefits from your contributions to help break up the text and we love to brag about your skills. Oops! I mean spread the word-fame for our amazing artists! Dragons, SCA topics, scenic views of the Barony...

Please email submissions and/or questions to DragonsLaire.Chronicler@antir.org.

#### **OFFICERS WANTED**

**Webminister:** Looking for a Technical Deputy, please speak with HL Máenach na Cailled.

I'm seeking a deputy to assist with technical duties related to the office such as maintenance of our Wordpress website (updating plugins, etc.), managing our email forwarding accounts, and keeping our domain name registrations current. The exact list of duties is flexible, and I'm happy to provide any assistance and training you might want. If you think you might be interested in becoming the next Webminister, this would be a great way to explore the idea. Thank you!

**Games Minister:** Looking for a Step-up Deputy, please speak with HL Lucy!

It is the responsibility of the Games Minister to promote, teach, and support the practice of playing medieval games and pastimes. Games Ministers are encouraged to host activities at Social and Baronial events and are supported if they choose to pursue hosting medieval game nights.

Other duties include:

- a. Maintain, and inventory the Baronial game supply.
- b. Provide the updated inventory to the Steward in January.

**Golden Dragon Pursuivant (Herald):** Looking for a Step-up Deputy, please speak with HL Owain!

The Herald acts as the voice of the Crown and of the Crown's Representatives, the Coronet. The Dragon's Laire Baronial Herald uses the title of Golden Dragon Pursuivant. This is a Kingdom Warranted position, which is required to send quarterly reports to a designated Kingdom Officer.

a) Provide heraldic services to the Barony including consultations, field heraldry, town cries, and court heraldry. The Baronial Herald is not required to be an expert in all areas but should know who to call upon to provide the services.

You can also speak with the THL Pernell Camber about any position or consider asking about becoming a Deputy!



Artist Allen Lee, accessed from  $\underline{\text{Tolkiengateway}}$ , 10/17/24; Grey Havens, Return of the King.

Pippin: I didn't think it would end this way.

Gandalf: End? No, the journey doesn't end here. Death is just another path, one that we all must take. The grey rain-curtain of this world rolls back, and all turns to silver glass, and then you see it.

Pippin: What? Gandalf? See what?

Gandalf: White shores, and beyond, a far green country under a swift sunrise.

Pippin: Well, that isn't so bad.

Gandalf: No. No, it isn't.

# As our friends and family journey on...

The last few months have been rough, with the passing of dear friends and family both within and out of the SCA.

Please be kind to yourselves and others as we all process in different ways and times.

Eyes that shine ready to flow

The voices gone silent

Laughter, joy, anger, fear

All caught up together.

The loss of what was to be had

An ending without resolution.

Mentors, friends, companions, we were not ready

Yet the world turns, life continues

We shall pick up the burdens you carried with such grace and ease.

We shall fill the silence with music and laughter.

We shall inspire others as you inspired us.

We shall continue on with you as our unseen guide.

We will continue the dream and we will remember you.

An Tir remembers

Dragon's Laire remembers

**I** remember

Erikk MacLost



It is my sad, heartbreaking duty to inform this list that Michael Aaron Rogers, known in the SCA as Arontius of Bygelswade, Lion of An Tir, Companion of the Order of the Pelican, Baron of the Court of An Tir, who smiled broadly, laughed often, stewarded many events, and gave much to the SCA, passed this morning from this world into the next. A public celebration of life is planned for next June Faire (2025) – Arontius found the SCA in 1987 by stumbling into June Faire and it was his absolute favorite event. Today, as you think of him, please eat some Mexican food in his honor and hug your loved ones tightly.

Laurellen de Brandevin, September 17, 2024

I think Arontius always wanted to be one of those characters in a Tolkien novel who was inspired by some great being. Little did he know he would be the inspiration.

- Pernell Camber



Tolkien's Misty Mountains, undated painting.

**The Last Good bye—Billy Boyd**, The Hobbit: The Battle of Five Armies.

In the shadowed halls where silence mourns the day, There once walked Arontius, in bright array. His laugh, a beacon through the ages, shone, Filling vast chambers where his joy was known. From days of yore, a stalwart of the old, His humble start, a path of dreams foretold. A Lion fierce, with art and love entwined, On wings of service, through the realms he shined. A scholar wise with stubborn spirit bold, On parchment, mountains moved and tales were told. Yet mischief too, with glimmer in his eyes, He wove through courts, where laughter would arise. In An Tir's court, his place forever cast, Companion of the Pelican's order vast. Baron of the Court, his smile a gentle guide, In every heart, his warmth and grace reside. His beginnings carved the Dream we know today, A Lion's roar, through time's unyielding sway. Though now he's gone, his memory shall remain, A beacon bright, through time's unyielding strain.

Penned by Dipp Boutet

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THL Furia Dommitia & THL Conrad Cedricson

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Beautification Committee: Adelheide Leeuwin and Sigridr Vilhjalmsdottir

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Exchequer, TBA: not yet created

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#### **Date of the meeting:**

The Motion to approve the October Finance and Business Meeting Minutes: **Furia Dommitia motioned to accept.** 

Seconded: Matuesz z Plocka

The Populace approved the motion, there were no Nays or Abstains.

# **Dragon's Laire Finance Meeting**

#### **Barony of Dragon's Laire**

Finance Meeting Report – October 10.1.2024

#### Committee members:

Elizabeth Kamber, Branch President Kimberly Parks, Branch Treasurer Amanda Zeitler, Committee Member William David Peters, Committee Member

#### Non-Voting Committee members:

Heidi Schulmeyer, Deputy Branch Treasure

#### **Account Balances:**

Checking: \$39,298.36 Savings: \$34,349.80 CD: \$10,552.31

#### **Event Bids:**

#### June Faire 6/14/2024

Heidi – Proposed expense: \$30,450; income: \$45,500; profit: \$15,050 Ciar/Dammit - Proposed expense: \$28175; income: \$28,175; profit: \$7,325

Ciar/Dammit bid accepted

Chris/Maenach. Request to switch host site for event website. Currently hosted on weebly. Proposal to either have the kingdom host the website or move hosting to the same website as the Dragon's Laire website. Approved.

Proposal to upgrade to add president's hall. Site fee \$10 for day, \$15 for weekend. Approved Financial committee approved to add the Thunderbird arena, (War scenarios, heavy, missiles) for \$2400 + \$150 insurance. Approved

Request to purchase three pop-ups. ~130\$ for 12x12. Was approved last year and not purchased. Approved

Request to incentivize June faire volunteers at \$20/hr per person paid to their branch. With presign up. Approved

#### Final numbers.

#### Paypal check received from Kingdom. Incorrect amount writ and incorrect amount?

#### **Harvest Fest 10/19/2024**

Michael Rogers (Arontius) Event. Thea Sand (Thea of Midvale) Feast. Event proposal received. 10/19/2024 at Marcus Whitman Middle School 1400 site 1200, \$15 for adults, \$12 feast fee.

Deborah Jezek/Halldora Bjorn taking over as event steward.

Deposit, insurance and food permit

No new business

#### New Event Request – Ostara – 3/29/25

Heidi Schulmeyer/Adelheide Leeuwin

Site cost \$50 per hour with 25% discount. \$375 for 10 hours. Island lake community center

Dry site, insurance will be required, 10\$-15\$ for site fee

Approved for site. Want to see more detail monetary break down for the food portion.

Site cost increase to \$525. Event fee increase to \$20. Approved

Approved to provide BBQ meat for the event estimated cost of \$800

Half site fee paid for deposit 275.

#### No new business

Candlemas 2025 – Proposal

Jessica Bennett/Jessy Gateman -

Key Peninsula Ćivic Čenter. \$15 feast fee, \$15 day fee. Total estimate expenses \$3200, estimated income \$3375

#### **Approved**

**Purchases/Expenditures/Fund-Raising:** 

Artunis, Request for 18 battle ponies to pull 9 chariots, will submit bid. Moved to a later date.

Brandy Stier/Ciar Ingen Fiachnea – Proposal to create a special Purpose and Dedicated fund. To use merchant fees received from June Faire to provide prizes for the tournaments. Cap of \$2000 per year. Approved, initial fund with fees earned from 2023 June Faire.

Arion/William David Peters – Request for proposal/bid for construction of two storage/carrying bags for the Baronial Chairs. Local request. Approved

Request from Deborah Jezek/Halldora to allocate \$50 of Chatelaine budget to the design of welcome banners and info bookmarks. Approved.

Purchase of printing needed for Canton foundational paperwork. ~\$50. Approved.

Request to purchase cloth napkins for newcomers feast gear ~50. Approved

#### **Administrative Actions:**

Looking for deputy exchequer.

2024 Budget – review for approval. Increase requested for Scribal from 300 to 500. Addition of Beautification, budget of 300. Addition of fund for Prize Tournament. Approved Arion/William David Peters - Request from for regalia for Thrown Weapons champion. Total cost of \$261. Approved

Suggestion to transfer CD to high interest savings account. Look into the process. Maturity date 3-15, 2025, will decide after maturity date.

Proposal to reimburse TRM's gas expense for visit to Harvest Feast. Approved.

Budget review for 2025. Increase "Other events" budget to include Ostara for 2025. If Ostara then becomes a regular event a separate line item will be added for the event. Add line for tracking funds designated for Misty Ridge, (profits from Beltane). Increase of

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

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. Now waiting for finished bags. In process.

# **Dragon's Laire Business Meeting**

Written reports are as submitted with only minor corrections for egregious spelling errors.

In-person additions from the meeting will be noted.

#### **Words from Her Excellency, Baroness Kloe**

Good Day Good Gentiles of Dragon's Laire,

Today marks the final time Baron Arion and I will be filing our final reports as Coronet of Dragon's Laire. Your support over the last 4 years has been wonderful and greatly appreciated.

Today it does not feel like 4 years. Today it feels like I only just placed the coronet upon my head, what a weird experience that was. However since then I have had the honor and pleasure of witnessing the greatness of this Barony shine.

You all have shown resilience through coming together during the lockdown to meet, share, teach, and expand on the very foundations that make this Barony great. Your compassion and kindness knows no bounds as we have come together to support one another in times of great and unexpected loss, sharing that sorrow and burden together, grieving as individuals and as one community.

Your dedication to June Faire, and showing the modern public what we do, is incredible. Watching you all, and that of our spectators, is always inspiring. Coming together to support each other at our feast events, picnics, and playdates is one of my favorite things. I never feel like there is enough time to sit and listen to each of you share about your passions and projects long enough.

Traveling to events with this Barony is always a joy. Seeing you all interact with each other around the fires, on war fields, and the way you respect your cousins and "enemies" brings me such joy. I am honored to have been able to support you as you participated at large. I look forward to many more campfires and shenanigans together.

Being able to support the Barony in these aspects has been an amazing journey. While it is not the easiest of jobs, it is utterly rewarding to see you all shine, and grow, while learning and growing myself. As Baroness I have had the opportunity to sit and hear about this populace from those outside its boundaries, and how much they think of you all as a whole. I have been able to share your tales to others and see you rewarded for that.

It was an absolute joy to help bring the Sergeantry forward into the light again. We learned a lot, and there was trial and error along the way. Seeing each of you achieve your honors made this Mama Bears heart smile. Thank you for your dedication to the SCA.

Working with so many talented individuals as officers and marshals has been wonderful. Your support o the Barony is why it continues to be strong. Watching you teach, and learning from you has been a wonderful experience. We see our populace grow because of you. Thank you.

I thank you all, the Mighty Populace of Dragon's Laire, for the support you have shown these last four years. Without you I would not have had this opportunity, I would not have known how much joy and excitement comes from being a Coronet. I would not know how much work goes into the Barony as a whole.

I thank my family for the support to fulfill this endeavor, I know for them it was not always the easiest when I was go go go, and they were along for the ride. Thank you for keeping up with me, and putting up with me when I bounded off to do one thing or another. You first witnessed some of my distractibility. Thank you for keeping me sane.

I thank my support team for keeping me in my lane when it was needed, and pushing me past barriers when I didn't know how. When Arion and I stepped up 4 years ago I didn't even know where to begin. Having 2 active/former Seneschals as my support really helped guide me, not only in the beginning, but throughout the entire endeavor. You two were able to help me answer questions about the business side quickly. Furia, Ciar, and Skalla, those early days in parking lots and parks really helped keep me grounded.

The Court team for mine and Arions tenure has had to put up with some of my most scattered chaos. Sigridr and Jess, thank you for going with the flow when sometimes it was more whitewater than calm float. I have enjoyed our time together as a team. To all how stepped up as Heralds, thank you for lending your voice to our courts.

Tamlyn, thank you for organizing all the charters and awards. Getting art to people to make beautiful, and helping us to support our Barony through recognition.

I want to thank my peers, and my mentors, we have carried through hard times together, and being able to ask for guidance, help, and talk your ears off as needed has been exceptionally helpful. I will carry your teachings forward as I grow within the SCA, holding onto the memories and knowledge you have given.

I thank my Baron. It has been an adventure to work with you in support of the populace.

We did it. The time is coming to a close. It has been fun to see the populace from the otherside with you. Thank you for agreeing to this chaos.

Now we welcome Furia and Conrad, as they prepare to start their journey in our place. May the support you have given us carry forward in their honor.

For on final time, Thank you, it has been an honor to serve you, the Barony, and The Crown,

Kloe of Thira

Baroness of Dragon's Laire

Kingdom of An Tir

#### **Words from His Excellency, Baron Arion**

Final Remarks: Thanks to Sigridr & Jess for Court Coordinating. Morgan, Halldora, and Gaius for Court Heralding!

Report:

Greetings one final time unto the best Barony in the Knowne World,

Kloe and I are the Baroness and Baron of Dragon's Laire only because you believe in us and support us. Without you we are nothing. We thank you for the 4 years that you have been there for us. And what a long, strange trip it's been:) Who knew that our first 2 years would be virtual? We all survived it because you came together and pulled off a virtual miracle.

In a few days hence, we will pass the beautiful coronets of Dragon's Laire to Furia and Conrad. We pass the Barony to them in better financial shape than we received it, and it was in pretty amazing shape when we got it. We know that you will continue to support Dragon's Laire and your new Baroness and Baron. They have assembled an experienced team to support them in their new roles. They will often need your help to make the magic happen.

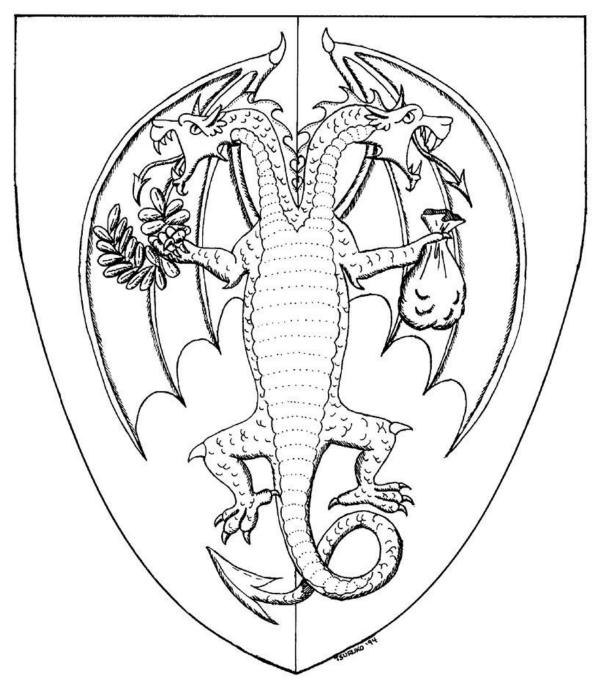
We had many reasons to be proud of our Barony when we talked to other Coronets and the Crown. One of the biggest reasons for this pride is how everyone comes together to make June Faire the biggest and most successful event in the Kingdom. The "can do" attitude of our Populace is legendary in An Tir. Beware the Laire!

We look forward to our last Event to recognize many of you for your wondrous deeds one final time. We are also pleased that Their Royal Majesties Eirik and Brynhildr will hold a Royal Court and hand out Kingdom level recognition of the worthy deeds many of you have done recently.

So long, and thanks for all the fish,

Arion the Wanderer

Baron, Dragon's Laire



#### Seneschal, Pernel Camber

Remarks: Thank you to all who put their name in for the Polling and going through the process. Thank you to Arion & Kloe for putting in 4 years as Baron and Baroness!

Learning how to navigate Office 365, please bear with me!

#### **Seneschal Deputies**

#### Social Media Officer, Caterina da Savona: New to the office!

September included HL Bianca's Intro to Discord class on 9/17, with support from other members of the DL Tech Team. Hot social media topics were Baronial polling and Harvest Feast (upcoming in October). We had a planning meeting with the now-\*officially\* incipient Canton of Misty Ridge. They now have an official web presence, under DL's sponsorship, and we're supporting them on Facebook. Initiatives to better integrate our online platforms continue. Shout out to deputies Bianca di Baldasarre Saturnio and Kira Kirova, and backup Discord admin Akizuki Soujirou, for all that they do!

#### **DEIB, Jessy Gateman**

#### Family Activities, Pak Sol Hwa

#### **Exchequer, Guiote de Bourgogne**

Remarks: Starting to see nibbles for a Step-up Deputy! Nikippa Lakaina expressed interest during the meeting! Huzzah!

#### Steward, Conrad Ross

Remarks: Will be stepping down this month, replacement will be THL Kloe of Thira

#### Librarian, Karl inn Irski

Remarks: Really thrilled with how well the Bardic Circle on the 4th Tuesday is going! Everyone welcome to participate and to listen—all experience levels!

Oh great and learned Populace of Dragon's Laire! Herein is the Librarian report for September.

Things are moving along, but with a slow and ponderous step. There are many irons in the fire on the A&S side, along with attention from the Barber-Surgeons and Apothecaries.

I have shared the licensing information for the Library Management System plugin with

the Webfolks - they continue to be most helpful in their support. With everything going on, I have shifted my expectations to 'New Library Access in the New Year'!

My goals for October are to to perform test-loads of book data to see how best to load the plugin on the DL website once ready.

YIS,

Karl inn irski

#### **Arts & Sciences Minister, Karl inn irski**

Oh multi-talented and musical Populace of Dragon's Laire! Herein is the A&S Minister report for September.

Many irons in assorted fires, along with multiple visits to the Barber-Surgeons and Apothecaries, but with the assistance and wisdom of so many helpful folks in the Barony, barriers are struck down and goals are accomplished!

We continue to have a strong turnout for the 4th Tuesday Open Bardic Circle, with instrument playing, oratory, and singing. Feel free to participate or be our audience. Thank you to all who participate - they truly are magical sessions.

We had one class in September, provided by HL Bianca di Baldasarre Saturnio, an Introduction to Discord. The class was well-received and several of the Populace joined Discord after the class.

I encourage anyone interested in sharing knowledge or expertise to consider sharing...can be a class, a presentation, a demonstration...catch me at Social or email/message me and we can work out details.

Preparations continue for Harvest Feast and the A&S/Bardic Championships. We have two A&S Competitors and 4 A&S exhibitors, and 3 Bardic Competitors. More information will be forthcoming as the schedule becomes set.

Speaking of feasts - HL Jess Gateman will teach a Feasts 101 class at Social on October 8th.

Lastly, I've started sharing sources for the wide spectrum of A&S in the Official Dragon's Laire A&S Group, to avoid mixing them in with the general comms of the main DL group. I'm also going to start tagging them with things like #embroidery or #leatherworking to make them easier to find. Any suggestions are welcome!

YIS,

Karl inn irski

#### **Gamesminister, Lucy of Leke**

Remarks: We will continue to explore chess and chess-like games with the hopes of having a tournament at Candlemas!

Gaming night was on hold in August to allow the populace to meet the candidates for baronial succession. September's gaming night was all chess, to prep the populace for a chess tournament, likely to be held at Candlemas. Chess was a required skill of European knights and is still renowned for building strategic thinking. There are a whole family of similar games which were played across much of the world in the Middle Ages, and we will pull some of those out in October. The evolution of the rules across time and cultures is intriguing and seems to provide some insights into the psychology of the players.

#### **Chatelaine, Aoife Aileanach**

Remarks: We will be starting an Ambassador program, please see Aoife if you are interested!

Greetings!

Our monthly SCA 101 Newcomers classes have been well attended, with 5 newcomers sitting in the etiquette class. Thank you to Countess E who was able to step in and answer a question in the moment.

We have been averaging 3 newcomers each week, and we have many who have continued to come each week. Some highlights they have shared have been bardic circles and connecting with our established members.

We will be starting our ambassador program soon. This will help our newcomers have a person or two that they can connect with who has knowledge and understanding about their preferred field. If you are interested in helping out, please let me know.

Gratefully yours,

Aoife

#### **Baronial Marshal Furia Dommitia**

**Chief Archer, Brian of Cardiff** 

Chief Archer's Report for October 2024

Greetings to the Mighty Barony of Dragon's Laire!

This past Sunday saw our changeover to Winter Practice Hours (Sundays from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM). Attendance was gratifyingly large due to very clement weather and extra daylight. We'll see how long that lasts.

Youth participation continues with steady numbers, and we should start seeing scores from the youth as they become more proficient. Already they are hitting the targets more often than not; next we work on hitting the scoring areas on purpose.

As usual, any postponements or cancellation of practices or other archery information can be had by checking the Official Dragon's Laire Archers and Official Dragon's Laire Facebook pages. If no cancellation has been posted, then practice will be happening per the usual schedule on the Baronial Calendar.

Last but not least, major Thank You(s) and hugs to our retiring Coronets and Joyful Huzzahs to our Ascending Coronets. Looking forward to being awkward around you at Harvest Feast!

Yours In Service,

Brian of Cardiff, OGGS

Chief Archer, Barony of Dragon's Laire

#### **Heavy Martial, Kettil Cedricson**

#### Lists, Halldora Bjorn

#### Rapier, Felix Fitz Pierce

Work continues on the engines. There has been no official activity since last report. Alas for a demanding real life.

#### Siege, Wu Zhi

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#### Thrown, Robert the Tailer or Kara Bjorki

#### **Youth Armored Combat (YAC)**

#### **Chronicler, Ciar ingen Fiachnae**

Greetings unto Might Dragon's Laire! We continue to produce the Flames each month and seek content about what you, the Populace, are up to! Have a neat project, a cool technique, a video, holding a practice? Let us know! We cross-post content with the website and social media team.

# Golden Dragon Pursuivant (Herald), Owain ap Gwylliam Pengryth Baronial Scribe, Kara Bjorki

Remarks: We are starting to work on charter design for the next Coronets, should have items to paint next month!

#### Webminister, Máenach na Cailled

Remarks: Continuing to work with the Librarian and Tech folks. Live streaming our business meeting to our private Baronial Facebook Group. Web hosting: there will be a presentation of options next meeting as we are now hosting Dragon's Laire, Kitsap Medieval Faire, and Misty Ridge.

#### **Guilds & Groups**

#### **Culinary & Spirit-makers Guild, Ciar ingen Fiachnae**

Many thanks to Pernell and Richard for hosting the September gathering, we had 9 in attendance and played with redacting recipes. Our October meeting will be held slightly early, on the 17th, at Halldora's in Poulsbo. If you need the address, please contact Halldora or Ciar.

On the 17th we will be playing with Cordials and Vanilla—please bring your own mix-ins (fruit, spices) and especially vanilla pods! Jars are welcome but some will be available as well.

#### Scribal guild

The guild is regularly meeting! Please note the October meeting has shifted.

#### **Decorations Committee, Adelheide Leeuwin & Deputy Sigridr Vilhjalmsdottir**

Remarks: Sorted decorations today for Harvestfeast. Working on the bid for the larger banner intended to be ready for Candlemas. Will do a call to the Populace for help on embellishing.

#### **Event Updates**

#### Harvest Feast 2024, Halldora Bjorn

Remarks: Looking for volunteers for Parking Coordinator (Saturday morning) and Table Set up (Friday night).

#### **Candlemas, Jessy Gateman**

#### Ostara, Adelheide Leeuwin

#### June Faire, in process

Remarks: Yes, the Seneschal is aware that we need to create a new vinyl sign to go on the Poulsbo Rotary set up, we're on it!

#### Oh by the way...

**Karl inn irski and Countess Elisabeth** are conspiring for an A&S Play Day in November.

**Countess Elisabeth** will be utilizing the Barony as part of her new Heraldic Education role to test out whether teaching and information sharing techniques work for the 'education for everybody' branch of her role.

# Officer notes from the Incipient Canton of Misty Ridge

The September Business Meeting for the Incipient Canton of Misty Ridge was held online via Zoom on the 25th.

# Monthly Canton Archery Marshal's Report for the Proposed Incipient Canton of Misty Ridge Marshal Fearghus MacCulloch, submitted October 1, 2024:

We are now officially an Incipient Canton and can hold official practices. To date, we have one warranted marshal in archery and no other marshals. We have started having archery practices and will add other disciplines as we acquire more marshals.

Archery Practices and attendance as follows:

9-22-24, 2 Archers

9-29-24, 5 Archers

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