



The Flames of the Dragon



Baronial Award necklace, crafted by Adena Darkstar, photo by Ciar ingen Fiachnae

February 2025 Anno Societatis LIX (59)

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Announcements

- March 4th, Cancelled: Armored & Rapier practice. Come to Finance
 & Business meeting!
- Youth activities schedule change (see the schedule)

In case you missed it, online offerings!

- The Treasured Tales of Ireland series, a collection of tales that have been told for centuries around fires, in feast halls by storytellers, bards, and druids. Irish folklore and fairy tales were passed down through generations with an almost superstitious commitment to accuracy.
- Spain's Oldest Surviving Cookbook Goes on Show, The El Llibre de Sent Soví i la cuina als segles XIV y XV exhibition, from the Fine Books Magazine.
- <u>Textiles of Ireland</u>, Elizabeth Wincott Heckett edited by Mary Ann Williams from Cork University Press. Spanning the life's work of archaeologist Elizabeth Wincott Heckett, Textiles of Ireland: Archaeology, craft, art is the first wide-ranging book on the archaeological textiles of Ireland published since 1989.

Upcoming Events & Activities

Spring Arts & Sciences Play Day: March 22, Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 1015 Veneta Ave; Bremerton, WA 98337.
 9 – 6 with lunch from 12-1 on your own. Service animals are allowed but no pets.



- **Beltane:** April 25-27. Sequim Prairie Grange, 290 Mac Leay Rd; Carlsborg, WA 98324. Please join the incipient Canton of Misty Ridge for our returning SCA event to celebrate Beltane on the beautiful Olympic Peninsula to welcome summer. We are planning a fun-filled day on Saturday, April 26th for the whole family, including heavy weapons and rapier tournaments, YAC tournament, novelty archery shoots, arts and sciences, family games, a May Pole, and a bardic circle in the evening. We are hosting a participation competition for Lord/Lady of Beltane to be awarded at closing court.
- June Faire/Kitsap Medieval Faire: June 20-22. Kitsap County Fairgrounds & Event Center. More updates coming!

Misty Ridge Calendar

Sundays

- Archery practice, 1:00 3:00 PM Saturdays.
- Please email Fearghus at mistyridge.marshall@antir.org for directions.

Monday, March 3rd, at 7:30 PM

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



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.

- Adult Lego Club, 1st and 3rd Wednesday, Bremerton Library Martin Luther King Jr. branch, 612 t5h St, Bremerton.
- Suquamish Museum Free Admission, Second Saturday, March 8th. 6861 NE South Street, Suquamish, WA.
- Saint Patrick's Day Parade, March 15th, 2 PM, 409 Pacific Ave; Bremerton.
- Ciderhouse Holi Festival of Colors, March 15th and 16th, 2-6 pm, tickets on Eventbrite.
- Suquamish Museum, <u>Small Cedar Basket Workshop with Lisa Jackson</u>, March 22nd, 10 AM to 2 PM.
- Whidbey Island Ren Faire 2025. May 24-26, 2025.

VFW Hall Weekly Calendar

Tuesdays

- 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
- Family activities on third Tuesday

Sundays

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

Armored & Rapider Practices

Tuesdays, 6-8 PM, 117001 Ridgepoint Drive NW, Silverdale

Armored and Rapier every week. Youth Armored Practice 2nd and 4th Tuesdays.

Planned activities during Social

Feb 25: Bardic Circle - Everyone welcome! All skill levels, everyone welcome to share.

Mar 4: Finance & Business Meeting - Everyone welcome! Updates and new business, reports from the Officers, Guilds & Groups, Event Stewards.

Mar 11: Social time, available for a class. Youth Activities.

Mar 18: Games Night, Intro to Silk Banner Making with Posiedonus Lakon.

Feb 25: Bardic Circle - Everyone welcome! All skill levels, everyone welcome to share. Youth Activities. Youth Armored Combat armor fittings and repair.

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

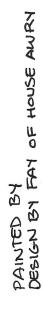
February 28th

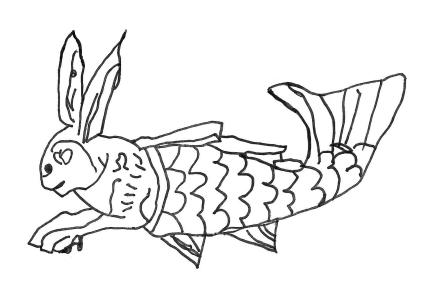
Exploring the new Mosaic charters

Curious about what colors Roman mosaics were done in? <u>Check out this neat summary</u> <u>article</u> with links at the bottom to various museums.

March 13 and 14th

Paint Techniques





Rabbit-mermaid created by Fay of House Awry for use on Barony of Dragon's Laire cards

Culinary Arts Guild Meeting

March 26 at 6 PM

Lets talk about Period New World Food Cultures

Exploring options

Ojibwe—northeastern. <u>Native art in Canada, Ojibwe Native</u> (has citations), Historic Fort Snelling—<u>Ojibwe People</u>

Suquamish Tribe—FinFish, Clams & Oysters,

It's a new World After All: Developing a Central American Persona by Dona Ilhuicacihuatl de Xochimilco https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7UFhI7m-MwA

Ancient Maya Cuisine Ethnohistorical

Inca Cuisine

Florentine Codex from the Getty!

Hopi Agriculture

<u>Paragraphs and citations about food ways in Incan territories</u> summarized by Jim Chevallier from Historic Cookery Group on Facebook



In the brine: corned beef in process. Pernell & Richard's portion from Theodoric's Corned Beef class, held February 22nd.

Around the Region

- Carnevale, March 1, 11265 SW Cabot Beaverton, OR 97005. Bring your teacups and prepare to step through the looking glass as the Barony of Dragon's Mist hosts Carnivale: A Wonderland Feast! The Barony of Dragon's Mist invites one and all to feast and revel with us at our annual Carnivale event. This year, we will have an Alice in Wonderland theme, complete with an Alice in Any Medium competition, and an Anachronistically Alice costume competition, as well as classes (details will be posted on the Kingdom Calendar page).
- Kingdom Arts & Sciences and Queen Rapier Championships, March 8-9, 120 W Chance a-la-Mer; Ocean Shores, WA 98569. Come join the Kingdom of An Tir's Artisans and Rapier Combatants as they vie to be the best in the land! The 2025 Kingdom Arts and Sciences Championship and Queen's Rapier Championship is happening March 8th and 9th in Ocean Shores, Washington at the city's Convention Center. Come marvel at the works of the artisans and thrill to the chival-ric feats of swordplay as our Kingdom chooses new champions!
- Oasis War, March 22, 2541 Basin Street SW; Ephrata, WA 98837. Come join the Kingdom of An Tir's Artisans and Rapier Combatants as they vie to be the best in the land! The 2025 Kingdom Arts and Sciences Championship and Queen's Rapier Championship is happening March 8th and 9th in Ocean Shores, Washington at the city's Convention Center. Come marvel at the works of the artisans and thrill to the chivalric feats of swordplay as our Kingdom chooses new champions!
- **Lyceum**, March 29, 405 S. Temple Street; Oakville, WA 98568. Glymm Mere's Arts and Sciences and Bardic Championships. Bring a picnic lunch to the rustic Oakville Grange and join Glymm Mere for an eventful day featuring the A&S and Bardic Championships; A&S classes; and a craft supply swap/barter/sell swap meet-style area.
- **Baroness' War**, April 4-6, 812 Wallace Way; Grandview, WA 98930. The Barony of Vulcanfeldt once again is proud to bring you Baroness War, April 4-6, 2025 at the Grandview Event Center. Come and fight to your heart's content. Armored fighters and archers come and gain word fame for your Baroness. This year's war will guarantee you will get your fill of fighting to include open field, castle, bridge, and hill battles. If war fighting isn't your thing enter into the prize tournaments (armored and rapier) on Sunday.
- **Honor War**, April 11-13, Silcott Island; Clarkston, WA 99403. The Port of Silcott is once again besieged by roving bands of brigands from the East, and South, and North.... Thus do we call for aid from our Great Neighbors, those brave souls of the Inlands! Ties of old call to the Baronies of Wastekeep, Wealdsmere, and Vulkanfeldt, as well as good cousins throughout the lands of An Tir. Come to our aid, and a share of our bounty! Fighting and food, merry-making and mead! Let us all protect these lands of our Great King and Queen from the foul highwaymen.

"Saxon-style Pork Roast"

From Mary Savelli, Adapted by Ciar ingen Fiachnae

This recipe was used as part of my Saxon-inspired Yule Feast in 2017. Written recipes appear in the physicas in the 10th and 11th centuries. Ann Hagen, Anglo-Saxon Food & Drink, in the chapter on imported foods, also discusses which spices were available and documented to when.

We wanted a second meat dish for the feast and 'everyone' had requested something other than chicken.

Ingredients

1 Tbsp honey

1/4 c white wine vinegar

3/4 c white wine

1/2 tsp grnd cinnamon or 3" cinnamon stick in pieces

1/4 tsp grnd black pepper or black peppercorns lightly crushed

1/4 tsp ground sage or 3-4 sage leaves torn in stripes

1 apple, chopped

2 lb pork - cut of your preference (shoulder, loin, whatever you'd like to cook) if the pork is lean, add 1/4 cup of oil or bacon fat

Recipe:

- 1. Wash and chop the apple.
- 2. Find a container to hold the marinade plus the pork.
- 3. Put the pork in the container. In a separate bowl, mix the honey, wine, and vinegar until well-incorporated. Add the spices and sage, stir, and then add the apple pieces.
- 4. Pour into the container, rotating the pork to coat it.
- 5. Marinade in the fridge for 4 hours.
- 6. Pull the pork out. Roast on 325 for 1-1.5 hours or until it hits 160. Let stand for 10 minutes.
- 7. Slice thin or shred depending on your cut.

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NOTES:

1. No salt is initially added. This may have been due to the use of salted pork but wild boar was also used in feasting. You can add a pinch of salt during step 2 or wait until the end. If you use bacon fat, this may contribute to the salt flavor.

Sources:

Hagen, Ann. 2010 Anglo-Saxon Food & Drink, Anglo Saxon Books, p 117-123, 173-181, 455.

Savelli, Mary. Tastes of Anglo-Saxon England, Anglo-Saxon Books, p 40.

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

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.
- 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!

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Date of the meeting: 2/4/25, on Zoom

The Motion to approve the January Finance and Business Meeting Minutes from Aoife Aileanach

Seconded: Adelheide Leeuwin

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

Dragon's Laire Finance Meeting

Barony of Dragon's Laire

Finance Meeting Report – February

2.4.25

Committee members:

- Pernell Camber, Branch President
- Nikkipa Lakaina, Branch Treasurer
- Furia Dommitia, Committee Member
- Conrad Cedricson, Committee Member

Non-Voting Committee members:

- Guiote de Bourgogne Deputy Branch Treasurer
- Adelheide Leeuwin, Deputy Branch Treasurer
- 1. Account Balances: ask the Exchequer
- 2. Event Bids:
- a. Harvest Feast 10/19/2024
- i. Arontius Event. Thea of Midvale Feast.
- ii. Event proposal received. 10/19/2024 at Marcus Whitman Middle School
- iii. 1400 site 1200, \$15 for adults, \$12 feast fee.
- iv. Deborah Jezek/Halldora Bjorn taking over as event steward.
- v. Deposit, insurance and food permit
- vi. NMR check sent
- vii. Paypal check deposited
- b. New Event Request Ostara 3/29/25
- i. Adelheide Leeuwin

- ii. Site cost \$50 per hour with 25% discount. \$375 for 10 hours. Island lake community center
- iii. Dry site, insurance will be required, 10\$-15\$ for site fee
- iv. Approved for site. Want to see more detail monetary break down for the food portion.
- v. Site cost increase to \$525. Event fee increase to \$20. Approved
- vi. Approved to provide BBQ meat for the event estimated cost of \$800
- vii. Half site fee paid for deposit 275.
- viii. No new business
- ix. Check request for second half of deposit. 275. Approved.
- x. Remaining balance for building invoice to come. Insurance payment is on its way
- xi. Reimbursement requests to come
- xii. Ostara BBQ meat budget to extend to the cooking supplies (charcoal, etc). (approved)

c. Candlemas 2025

- i. Jessy Gateman -
- ii. Key Peninsula Civic Center. \$15 feast fee, \$15 day fee. Total estimate expenses \$3200, estimated income \$3375
- iii. Approved
- iv. Check request for site fee Approved
- v. No new business
- vi. Check request to rent the kitchen \$150. Approved
- vii. Financial Report to come

d. June Faire 2025 - Proposal

- i. Ciar ingen Fiachnae & Tiernan of House Awry
- ii. No thunderbird arena. Site fee, 10 day trip, 15 weekend, 20 for modern visitors. Approved paypal.
- iii. Accepted
- iv. No new business
- v. In April will need 30% deposit
- e. Beltane 2025 25 April 3pm to 27 April 3pm Proposal

- i. Mael O'Conner to be Event Steward
- ii. Paperwork submitted for second annual Beltane
- iii. Sequim Ferry Grange
- iv. Estimate \$1197 expenses, suggested donation of \$10 per person. Aim to break even. last years actual cost was understated. Current estimate is based on actual costs and estimates based on last year's actual costs
- v. Accepted

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. 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.
- c. Request to purchase equipment used to stream business meetings online. Approx cost 300-350. Approved
- d. Beautification committee request to purchase materials for "bigger" Banner. Fabric and paint ~150. Approved
- e. Misty ridge Request for funds to purchase equipment for archery practice. ~450. Approved to purchase target matt @~290. Will resource through current baronial supply for equipment to give to Misty Ridge.
- f. Request from YAC to purchase new equipment. Prices requested.
- i. 2 helmets, 2 pairs gloves, 2 shield bosses, 2 gorget neck padding, and supplies for gen repairs. Will submit check request for reimbursement. Approved.
- g. Request for funds to pay for rental of Silverdale Lutheran Church for use of indoor fight practice. \$30 per night, 11 nights. \$330. Approved
- h. Request for funds to purchase signs to use during Baronial Courts to help announce awards. ~\$110 Approved.
- i. A&S Day \$200 Security deposit to become donation to the church approved. Figure out how to get the check to Karl
- j. YAC requesting reimbursement for boffer making items; large pool noodle, helmet repair kits (two options), gorilla glue, close cell mat, jacks, jills, and jock straps. (approved)
- k. Printing one handbook, 20 waivers per tourney. (add to budget annually) (approved)
- l. YAC Materials to make signs for YAC plywood, outdoor paint. Instead, use materials on hand to fit for modular use (approved)

- m. Web-team: request to move domain name and hosting to new providers. Increase capacity and reduce cost. (approved)
- n. Storage unit: too much stuff, safety hazard. Barony items dispersed across numerous homes. Could we have June Faire stuff in a second smaller storage unit? not really (approved)
- 4. Administrative Actions:
- a. Suggestion to transfer CD to high interest savings account. Look into the process. Maturity date 3-15, 2025, will decide after maturity date.
- b. 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).
- i. Request to add 100 per year for feast equipment upkeep. Approved
- c. Upcoming new Exchequer, Jeannette Harvey, (Nikippa Lakaina).
- i. Background check
- d. IN PROCESS Approved to update the signers on checking account. Signers list removed due to modern names.

No update on signers

- 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)
- i. 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. **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 Their Excellencies

Remarks: Thank you for an amazing Candlemas event, our first full Court. Looking forward to Ostara and Baroness' War!

Candlemas Court Report

Greetings Good Gentles of Dragon's Laire!

For those unable to attend Candlemas, word comes of those recognized for noble deeds, beautiful art, and long-time service and care!

The following Gentles were recognized in Court on February 1st, 2025, being A.S. 59.

THL Halldora Bjorn with a Bumblebee for her continuing works of Art, Science, and Bardic.

THL Kara Bjorki with both a Nautilus AND a Dragon's Lily for her service to the Barony as an officer and a marshal as well as her exploration of the Arts & Sciences including but not limited to nalbinding, metal (and glass!) working, and illumination.

Master Jacques Luis de Normandie received a Drake's Portal for his efforts to connect our known world with some alchemic process to the ethereal!

Baron Gaius Veturius Scaevola was recognized for his Martial Service with a Dragon's Company.

THL Ermenrich 'Morgan' Guotmann was recognized for his Martial Service with a Dragon's Company

Master Hrollaugr 'Ralg' Njalsson was recognized for his long time service and efforts on behalf of the Barony of Dragon's Laire with a Dragon's Treasure!

It was Ciar's sad and despairing duty to announce that both His and Her Excellency were thumped with a rubber chicken and have been WOAWd.

For those unfamiliar, here is the official explanation from the An Tir Order of Precedence:

Whimsical Order of the Ailing Wit. For those who pun above and beyond the call of taste and sanity. Recipients are required to warn others by identifying themselves with a label of some sort with the initials of the order.

Their warning labels are in process.

My personal thanks to our Heralds, Baron Gaius and Mistress Jenae', as well as Noble Artunis, m'Lady Kira, THN Bianca, and Lord Akizuki retinue of Their Excellencies for assisting with Court, I know it was short! Don't worry, June Faire is coming!

Be well this wet and blustery weekend!

In service,

Ciar ingen Fiachnae Court Coordinator

Court Report Addendum:

His Excellency had the honor of awarding the 2024 Top 10 Archer awards.

Dragon's Laire and Blatha an Oir host a number of them. While these scores are not posted to the Order of Precedence, we did feel the need to call them out.

Congratulations to all who participate throughout the year, especially since our 'year' is greatly hampered by the weather.

These numbers are calculated by averaging the top 3 scores for the archer within each category.

OPE 2 3	Alaricus Simmonds	Dragon's Laire Dragon's Laire	94 92.3
10	Erikk MacLost Nikoli Duckfeather	Dragon's Laire	82
LONGBOW			
10	Alaricus Simmonds Thomas of Salisbury	Dragon's Laire Dragon's Laire	91.7 69.3
CROSSBOW			90.3
4	Fearghus MacCulloch	Dragon's Laire	
PERIOD RECURVE 1 Alaricus Simmonds Dragon's Laire			102
1 8	Alaricus Simmonds Thomas of Salisbury	Dragon's Laire	52.7
PERIOD LONGBOW			
2	Alaricus Simmonds	Dragon's Laire	87.3
4	Thomas of Salisbury	Dragon's Laire	66.7 60.7
7	Erik MacLost	Dragon's Laire	50.7
9	Arion the Wanderer	Dragon's Laire	48
10	Kara Bjorki	Dragon's Laire	10
YORK HANDBOW			
1	Nikoli Duckfeather	Dragon's Laire	231
2	Thomas of Salisbury	Dragon's Laire	145
3 5	Arion the Wanderer Rowyn McLost	Dragon's Laire	136
7	Kara Bjorki	Dragon's Laire	60
8	Brian of Cardiff	Dragon's Laire Dragon's Laire	30
			16
ROYAL ARCHER'S CHALLENGE			
3	Erikk MacLost	Dragon's Laire	38
4	Nikoli Duckfeather	Dragon's Laire	37
2	Patrick	Dragon's Laire	45 .
7	Fina Wythebowe	Dragon's Laire	23
9	Kara Bjorki	Dragon's Laire	9

Seneschal, Pernell Camber

Seneschal Deputies

Social Media Officer, Caterina da Savona

We spent some time this month on the official baronial YouTube channel (https://

www.youtube.com/@dragonslairesca1294).

Welcome, Jacques de Normandie! to "Manager" access to this channel. Our Chatelaine,

Aoife Aileanach, is planning some new, short, welcome videos and now has TikTok / In-

stagram / YouTube access. I look forward to seeing them!

Baronial events continue to be the busiest part of the role. We just finished Candlemas,

and updates are ongoing for Ostara and A&S Day Camp. Save-the-dates are up for Misty

Ridge's Beltane — details & Facebook are waiting on business meeting diavussion & ap-

proval. The monthly "what's happening post" is as complete as I can make it, with my

thanks to the many officers who provide information for these.

Thanks to Hugues de Bertoncourt for loaning Zoom space to the Barony for this month's

business meeting, so we can help keep people off the snowy/icy roads. Máenach plans

another hybrid-livestreaming test, next month.

And as always, shout out to all the other members of our tech team: Bianca di Baldesarre

Saturnio, Akizuki Soujirou Kaoru, Kira Kirova as incoming Webminister, and Máenach na

Cailled as outgoing Webminister.

DEIB, Jessy Gateman

Family Activities, Pak Sol Hwa

YAFA Inventory (FEB 2025)

Small inflatable Dragons: 3

Ring Toss Rings: 3 sets of 5

Large inflatable Dragon: 1

Acrylic Paint (16.5 oz): 14 bottles

Paintbrushes: 8 sets of 80

Construction Paper: 2 packs multi color

Mancala Beads: 40

21

Tempera Paint sticks: 80

Scissors: 14 pairs

Dominoes: 1 large bag (donated)

Dart board with 6 magnetic darts

Exclamation Points DL (NPC Cards): 10

Crayons: 210 varying colors

Glue dots: 2 packages

Twine: 1 small bundle from dollar tree

Coloring Sheets: 25 (donated from Longship Trade Goods Too.)

Markers: 40

Picture Frames: 5

Popsicle Sticks: 1500

Rubber Bands: 1 large bag of varying sizes

Plastic Spoons: 1 box of 50

Basket for beads: 4 small

Foam sheets: 40

Exchequer, Guiote de Bourgogne

Steward, Kloe of Thira

Greetings Dragon's Laire,

Things are slow moving in storage. It is cold out, so the focus has been gathering all Annual the Baronial Inventory into one place. At this time we are missing inventory reports from several officers and champions.

My report is not complete without them. If your office has no physical inventory, including officer regalia (see key or gavel or tabard/sash) I also need to know that. If you are a key holder to the Main Storage or the VFW storage, I also need to know that for the reports. My officer email is: Dragon-slaire.Steward@antir.org

I have sent emails to official emails accounts, and reached out in other ways in order to ensure all deadlines were expressed. These emails contained links to your individual spreadsheets.

If you need help getting access let me know. If you prefer to email me your excel document or spreadsheet please do so.

Rodent issue has been seeing a decline, which is great news. There will be much clean up once the

weather warms up.

I am also look to work on expanding our storage.

Yours in Service

Kloe, Baronial Steward, Dragons Laire, An Tir

Librarian, Karl inn Irski

Hail to the Mighty, if somewhat winter-bound Barony of Dragon's Laire!

Herein you will find the report of the Librarian covering the month of January, 2025

- received some book donations which will be catalogued in the Spreadsheet of Bookes
- working with the Wonderful Web Wizards (WWWs) to finalize plans for a live Spreadsheet of Bookes on the DL website

Arts & Sciences Minister, Karl inn Irski

Hail, most August Populace and Coronets of Dragon's Laire. (not August as in July-August-September, obviously, because it is February, but August as in 'respected and impressive'...) (probably didn't need that explanation, but there it is, and I am NOT going to scrape the parchment) (ok, probably didn't need that explanation, either, and this is getting long-winded) (...and you probably didn't need me to point out that it was getting long -winded, because it is pretty obvious) (at this point, I'm expecting a llama to intervene, because

Ahem - Herein is the A&S Minister's report covering January 2025.

- January 10th weekend found some of the DL Populace attending 12th Night, with a wonderful array of bardic performances as part of the An Tir Bardic Championship.
- January 14th we had Part 2 of the Flax class by the talented and knowledgeable Sigridr Vilhjalmsdottir, who talked and demonstrated the process of using the distaff and drop spindle for spinning the flax fibers into yarn/thread
- January 21st we had a class by our esteemed Seneschal covering all aspects of how to write Awards Recommendations at the Kingdom and Baronial levels. Awards are a great way to recognize and lift up our populace! Please ask if you need assistance in writing a recommendation, and keep an eye out for more classes on the topic.
- January 28th saw our monthly Open Bardic Circle with many different instruments, vocals, and recitations. As always, a big thank you to participants and a reminder that all

performers of any level are welcome!

Looking forward:

2/11: First part of the Rectangular Construction class by HL Jessy Gateman. This session is strongly recommended if you are interested in the full class offered on 2/22 (more details to follow)

2/22 (Saturday): Classes on Corned Beef (Culinary Guild) and Rectangular Construction (HL Jessy Gateman) at the VFW Hall, more details to follow)

2/25: the monthly Open Bardic Circle, for any performers of Bardic (singing, playing, reciting, storytelling, juggling, stage magic, puppetry, etc.) at any level. Welcoming and supportive!

- ...and lastly, a reminder that the DL Spring A&S Day will be 3/22, with an exciting array of lecture and hands-on classes:
- -Cheese cultures 101: which culture for the cheese you want?
- -Banner making (with required class the previous week @ Social)
- -Heraldic Display: Now That I've Got It, What Do I Do With It?
- -Persona Building Basics
- -Making Largesse Bags/Satchels
- -Medieval Pottery, Form and Function
- -Sewing 102
- -Kumihimo making Dragon's Laire keychain w/gold dragon charm. (\$10 materials cost)
- -Using a saree to make Greek/Roman dress
- -Making kimchi, a workshop
- -Making a turkey wing whisk broom (\$25 materials cost)
- ...more details on the classes to follow this is the first A&S Day I've planned/organized, and I want to give a 'thank you' to Laurellen and Ciar for assistance in the process and to all the instructors for stepping up to spread their knowledge.

YIS.

Karl inn irski

DL A&S Minister

Gamesminister, Lucy of Leke

Hail to the Barony!

January was good for games. Several people played Dragonwood, a recently donated modern game, at the third Tuesday social. At Candlemas, an array of games requiring different levels of luck and strategy were laid out and Lord Robert played most of them with me until we were joined by a pair of youth gamers who gave us good contest at Chess and Goose.

Did you know the Period rules of Chess were a bit different from the modern, with more limits on movement for some pieces? Did you know that Tarot is actually a trick-taking card game that was highjacked for fortune telling? Did you know that in Hnefetafl (Viking Chess) each player has a different goal and must use completely different strategy depending on whether they are attacking or defending? You could learn all of this by testing these games, and more, at Ostsra. Or the third Tuesday socials.

Chatelaine, Aoife Aileanach

Good Morning, Good Day and Good Evening!

This is your Monthly Chatelaine report for the month of January.

The last few weeks have been full of getting a new system in place for Gold Key. I was able to work with the tech team to get a program in place that makes sure we have accountability (per requirements of the Kingdom and our Barony), and a check out system for each item. If you are interested I would love to share it with you.

Our Kingdom Newcomer Classes have started, but never fear you can jump in at any time! They are once a month online on Thursdays, and I will post the link as soon as it becomes available. The next class is February 27th and the topic is "History of the SCA and the Kingdom of An Tir" (which is the same topic as January). The upcoming dates will be March 27, April 23, May 22, and June 26. I will host a "Wait... What?" discussion the following Tuesday to go over any questions you may have once you are able to digest the information from the class.

As the cold weather has been sneaking in, we are still warm and welcoming to our new-comers. One of my favorite things to tell people who are just starting out is anything you want to learn- I can find you someone who is willing to teach, chat, show, or chat your ear off about something they love. As always, if you would like to be a mentor please let me know.

Gratefully yours,

Baronial Marshal Posiedonous Lakon

Chief Archer, Brian of Cardiff

Greetings to our beloved Barony! There is little to report this month, as weather has cancelled every January practice and bids fair to continue doing so through February.

In maintenance news, the archery inventory has been submitted. Several bows have been identified which need new strings, and a number of arrows that need re-fletching. I will also be culling some arrows, due to their being too few in number to make a proper set. I believe we have enough targets for practices (whenever they resume) but will need to make up some more before June Faire.

Yours In Service,

Brian of Cardiff, OGGS

Chief Archer

Barony of Dragon's Laire

Interkingdom Archery (Known World): Top 10 includes Weylyn, Erikk, and Alaricus.

Open: An Tir came in 2nd Kingdom, Silver Medalion, An Tir Top 3: Alaricus, Weylyn, and Erikk

Period: An Tir came in 1st Kingdom Gold. Alaricus, Weylyn, and Erikk.

Grand Archery (GAT, Known World): 4th, Alaricus

1,376 archers reporting scores

Heavy Martial: Ketill Cedricson

The new indoor space is great! We are having regular and a healthy amount of participants attending.

Lists: Halldora Bjorn

Rapier, Felix Fitz Pierce

No practices as of late as winter weather has been not ideal for practice. Looking at having alternating practices to the YAC inside with the heavy fighters.

Siege, Wu Zhi

Thrown, Robert the Tailor and Deputy Kara Bjorki

Throwing Weapons practice has been happening when the weather allows for it. Hopefully as winter

comes to an end and spring arrives, Throwing Weapons practice can happen more often.

Throwing Weapons Officer: Robert the Taylor

Youth Armored Combat (YAC), Lyndi of Summergate

Greetings Dragon's Laire populace

Youth armoured combat, January summary

We had 2 practices

6 children at our first practice and 5 children in the second

Dragons Laire YAC was an impressive force at Ursulmas; DL children fought hard and played well

3 adults have started the process of training for youth combat marshals

Sr marshalls for Ostara, Beltane, and June Faire tentatively confirmed

February projection

We have two practices scheduled

The second and fourth tuesday at the heavys fighter practice location

This month the marshals are focusing on getting the kids ready to compete and ready to host tournaments and demos

Lyndi of Summersgate

Chronicler, Ciar ingen Fiachnae

The Flames continues each month!

I appreciate the work done by Caterina to get the current month highlighted on the website.

We are always looking for content. Art, photos, articles, and even just cool things other people in the branch might be interested in attending related to medieval history, area activities, etc.

Golden Dragon Pursuivant (Herald), Owain ap Gwylliam Pengryth

Unto the well-armed Barony of Dragons

Laire does this your Golden Dragon Pursuivant have words. The cold of the winter months is the ideal time to work on name, badge, or device. If you need help, message me and I'll be glad to set up a time to support you. That being said I was at two out of four baronial meetings in January and received no direct consults in this month. Timeline to a job swap between Herald and Siege officer is still pending. For in person outreach I should (barring calamity) be at all local events from here through June Faire, and average about 3 meetings/socials per month (though I may be fighting)

YIS,

-Owain

Baronial Scribe, Kara Bjorki

Webminister, Maenach na Cailled transitioning to Kira Kirova

Good nobles of Dragon's Laire, welcome to cabbage-month!

Did you know that Twelfth Night was less than a month ago? I was pretty sure it had been at least a couple of months. Anyway...

Our relatively-new Kingdom Webminister gathered several of the region's Web- and Techfolk at Twelfth Night, and we chatted for a few hours about our challenges, what we can offer each other, and some ideas for improving things. It was a great conversation, and we floated several ideas that will hopefully bear fruit in time. For example, we may now have an easier way to get space from the Google for Nonprofits program.

The experimental stream for last month's Finance and Business Meeting was a learning experience! The camera worked great! There was also audio, kind of! Since then I've done a little bit more experimentation, and I'm confident that I understand how to make the audio actually audible next time. Some of it is about the microphone settings, but we may also need to work on draggin' the microphone around the room as we share our reports.

I dug through my records, and came up with Sunday, July 30, 2017: I believe that was the day that I met with Magistra Aelianora de Wyntringham to transfer the Office of the Webminister. That was just over 7.5 years ago; slightly longer than I expected. A few things have happened since then. We moved from hand-crafted PHP to WordPress. We moved from Yahoo groups to, well, mostly Facebook but a little bit of Google Groups. We survived the worst of the Plague Years through Zoom, Wordpress, and porch drops. Caterina da Savona started helping with the website, the first sign of the new era: we now have a strong Tech Team, with myself, Caterina on Social Media (and still helping with the website!), Bianca and Ki handling Discord. Oh, and, by the way...

On this fourth day of February, Ano Societatis 59, being 2025 by Gregorian reckoning, Kira Kirova is the new Webminister of Dragon's Laire.

I'm not going anywhere: I'll still be part of the DL Tech Team and contingency deputy to the Webminister. But it's time to transfer the hat. Thank you, Kira, for accepting it. I suggest a thorough rinse.

Yours in Service,

Máenach na Cailled

Guilds & Groups

Culinary & Spirit-makers Guild, Ciar ingen Fiachnae

Greetings!

A small but productive meeting was held in January, many thanks to Her Ladyship Thea of Midvale for hosting in the lovely woods of the Port of Orchard!

Business updates:

- 1) If you are interested and available, please register for THL Theodoric's Corned Beef Class. Registration is now open as of as soon as I cross-post it.
- 2) We are hosting the Corned Beef class and any other classes that sign up on February 22nd! So far we have an all day rectangular construction class. I am planning to 'potluck' tamales with several types of corn flour/masa to see if we can tell the difference.

If you would like to teach or demo something on the 22nd, please let me know.

If you would like to teach or demo something on March 22nd, at the Arts & Sciences Play Day, please let Karl inn irski know.

3) End of 2024 finances

We had a good few years! Our Guild fund is in 3 separate pools right now. We have a portion in the bank, a seed envelope for cookbook sales, and our 3rd bit which we had been using for lunchbox funds.

If the VFW Hall charges us for site use on the 22nd, the cost of the hall will come from that third pod. If you would like to know what those pods look like, please speak with Ciar.

Cookbooks - doing well!

They currently sell for \$4 a piece or 3 for \$10, which is popular. There are talks of revamping the 'Selection of Medieval Recipes'.

4) I have lobbed this whole Temporary Food Permit issue into the Kingdom Seneschal's lap and will follow up with her in February. The... stickler is the public advertising.

In speaking with the Health Department about doing cooking classes... I think we can do lunch boxes if all the advertising and sign-ups for it are behind a private wall (Book of Faces private group, discord requiring an invite) and are limited to SCA-associated participants (don't throw an invite on nextdoor)

So we can probably do them for activities but not for Events as of right now.

Scribal Guild, Tamlyn of Wyntersea

Scribal Guild had two meetings on January 9th (8 in attendance) and 17th (6 in attendance), where we concentrated on new Baronial charters, a couple of which showed up at Candlemas. Skylar and Faye worked on painting notecard. In addition, an inventory of Guild Supplies spreadsheet was sent to Baroness Kloe, the Baronial Steward.

Looking forward to February's meetings on the 13th and 28th, there will be instruction on some basic

gouache painting techniques and specifics on how they could be used on the new mosaic designs.

Decorations Committee, Adelheide Leeuwin & Deputy Sigridr Vilhjalmsdottir

Event Updates

Candlemas, 2025, Jessy Gateman

Ostara, Adelheide Leeuwin

June Faire/Kitsap Medieval Faire, Ciar ingen Fiachnae & Tiernan of House Awry

Greetings!

Tiernan and Ciar met with the Fairgrounds to discuss space use, double-check our reservation, and to discuss the camping issue.

We then met with Kira (advertising) and Their Excellencies to discuss our camping options and our timeline for getting things rolling.

We do still have the camping restriction on part of the green but we have been offered the use of the north campgrounds, which has had some improvements made since our last attempt. Maps for the available space and how it can be accessed will be available along with reservation period.

Merchant pre-registration has started. You can reach THL Xenos at DragonsLaire.Merchants@antir.org if he has not already spoken to you.

We are still looking for art! This is June Faire 42! We are looking to incorporate our Double-headed dragon, some reference to June Faire/Kitsap medieval fair (could be on a ribbon), you could do a play off of 42... towels perhaps....

If you are a Champion or Martial we will be reaching out over the next month to discuss when you want to do what during June Faire so we can start laying out activity access.

We will be hosting the regional Kingdom Bardic Championship activities as part of our Bardic activities.

A list of June Faire team members will be on the DL website and on the Kingdom Calendar in February to be expanded as necessary.

If you would like to volunteer in a specific area or for a specific task, please get in touch! We do have some positions filled but people can always use a co-coordinator or a deputy to assist with the thing and learn the position. One never knows when there is an all-expense paid vacation to a foreign locale dropped in ones lap!

Misty Ridge - Beltane in progress

Oh by the way...

Officer notes from the Incipient Canton of Misty Ridge

The February Business Meeting for the Incipient Canton of Misty Ridge was held online via Zoom, February 3, 2025

Canton Seneschal, Veleda ingen Kee

- We held our first incipient Canton Business meeting of the year on January 5, 2025, and one of our members, agreed to act as Event Steward for Beltane 2025. We requested that other members of the Canton volunteer to assist.
- We reserved the site for Beltane 2025 at the same site we used last year, the Sequim Prairie Grange and submitted an Event Proposal to the Dragon's Laire Seneschal for review and approval. The Kingdom calendar has the dates and is waiting on official status.
- Weather permitting, we held weekly archery practice on Saturday's from 1 to 3 PM.

Canton report for Exchequer, Jeffery of Jarrow

January 2025 Exchequer Report: There has no activity with the incipient Canton's financial accounts. In other words, we ain't got no money.

YIS

Jeffery

Canton report for Marshal & Chief Archer, Fearghus MacCulloch

Monthly Canton Marshal's Report for the Incipient Canton of Misty Ridge, Marshal Fearghus MacCulloch, submitted January 30, 2025:

The lead autocrat for the Canton's Beltane Celebration and I discussed what martial activities he would like to have at Beltane this year. I was asked to reach out to the Dragon's Laire Heavy Weapons Marshal, Rapier Marshal, Thrown Weapons Marshal, and Youth Combat Marshal. I sent all four an email on January 10, asking if they would be willing to hold a tournament in their respective martial arts at Beltane.

We have a Chief Archer to run archery practices and no other marshals to run practices for other martial activities. There were no injuries at any practice. One archery practice was held in January. Two archery practices were cancelled due to inclement weather and one due to the Chief Archer being out of town.

Canton report for Chief Archer, Fearghus MacCulloch, submitted January 30, 2025 (UTC):

Monthly Canton Chief Archer's Report for the Incipient Canton of Misty Ridge, Marshal Fearghus MacCulloch, submitted January 30, 2025:

This month I ordered the target butt that Dragon's Laire approved in December. I also purchased some Dacron B50 to make bowstrings for our loaner bows. We also changed our practices from Sunday from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM to Saturday from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM.

Events:

01-05-25 Practice cancelled due to inclement weather

01-11-25 Regular Practice

01-18-25 Practice cancelled due to inclement weather

01-25-25 Practice cancelled, I was out of town

Incipient Canton of Misty Ridge Herald monthly report: January 31, 2025

This month saw no new submissions for names or devices. I am continuing to watch out for status updates to previous submissions.

Yours in Service,

Máel Cáemgein mac Sheamuis Ui Chonchobair

Canton of Misty Ridge Herald

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