



The Flames of the Dragon



Galan mac Aeda with the Baronial Standard at Baroness' War, April 2025 April 2025 Anno Societatis LIX (59)

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Announcements

- Their Excellencies wish to announce two new awards!
 - Drake's Guard—recognizing efforts in Martial activities, an equivalent to a Snapdragon or Bumblebee.
 - Draconis Acervus—recognizing the people who donate their time, effort, and supplies of those who provide largess, banners, site tokens, etc.

In case you missed it, online offerings!

- Kitchen Lab: <u>Saffron—A Tale of Tradition, Trade, and Taste</u>, April 22, 9:00 AM. Free.
- Exchequer Training Day, May 9, Three Mountains in person and online.
- Other 'Signs' at Court, Sign Cards/Signage, Intervies by Lady Nicasia Leontodes

Upcoming Events & Activities

• **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. Pre-registrations for all of the things, May 8th!



Misty Ridge Calendar

Saturdays

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

Monday, April 7th, 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, April 12th. 6861 NE South Street, Suquamish, WA.
- Analog Gaming, 2nd and 3rd Saturday, Sylvan Library, 1301 Sylvan Way; Bremerton, WA 98310
- Spinning Yarns Craft Group, every Monday 5:30 to 6:30, <u>Ashley's Pub</u>, 409 Pacific Ave, Suite 105; Bremerton, WA 98337
- <u>Whidbey Island Ren Faire 2025</u>. 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.
- Armored, Rapier, and Thrown activities.
- Youth Armored Combat and Family activities on rotating Tuesdays.

Wednesdays

• Target Archery Practice starting at 5:00

Planned activities during Social

April 15: Games Night with THL Lucy of Leke, Scribal Table with THN Kara Bjorki

April 22: Bardic Circle - Everyone welcome! All skill levels, everyone welcome to share. Youth Activities. Youth Armored Combat armor fittings and repair.

April 29: Open

May 6: Finance and Business Meeting!

May 13th: Brief June Faire meeting

May 20th: Games Night with THL Lucy of Leke, Scribal Table with THN Kara Bjorki

May 27th: Open

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

April 10th: Insular Minuscule Calligraphy

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April 18th: Wordsmithing

Resources for Insular Minuscule

https://spotlight.vatlib.it/latin-paleography/feature/10-2-insular-minuscule

Insular Minuscule—Irish

Early 12th Century example.



Source: https://medievalwritings.atillo.com.au/scripts/examples/insular3.htm

Culinary Arts Guild Meeting

April 24th, 6:00 PM

Lets talk about Period New World Food Cultures Feast, Beltane, June Faire

Exploring options

Ojibwe—northeastern. <u>Native art in Canada</u>, <u>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 <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7UFhI7m-MwA</u>

Ancient Maya Cuisine Ethnohistorical

Inca Cuisine

Florentine Codex from the Getty!

Hopi Agriculture

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

Around the Region

- Mayfaire. May 3. Oakville Grange, 405 S. Temple St; Oakville, WA 98568. Greetings and salutations! The Barony of Glymm Mere is seeking those who wish to compete for the Heavy and Rapier Champion for the Barony as well as those who wish to come hang out.
- May Crown, May 16-18, Grandview County Park/Yakima Valley Fair & Rodeo Grounds. 812 Wallace Way, Grandview, WA 98930. May Crown Tournament!
- **Embers & Ambrosia**, May 23-26, Swiss Sportsman Club, 9205 198th Ave E; Bonney Lake, WA 98391. On Memorial Day weekend, Blatha an Oir again combines three events to bring people together from across the Kingdom in their passions and interests. We are hosting Embers and Ambrosia, Celtic Bardic, and Daffodil Archery.
- Lionhearts Martial Championship, May 31, Associated Energy Systems, 8621 S 180th St.; Kent, WA 98032. Join the people of the Baronies of Madrone and Wyewood at a single site for two – yes, two! – events in one.
- Boars Hunt, June 6-8, Masonic Family Park. 24310 Mountain Loop Hwy; Granite Falls, WA 98252. Join the Hunt for the Golden Boar and claim its glory at Boar's Hunt 2025, hosted by the Barony of Aquaterra!
- Iron and Ink, June 13-15th, 2428 Coppei Rd; Waitsburg, WA 99361. Arts & Sciences based classes.
- Athaneum, June 28, Lake Washington High School, 12033 NE 80th St.; Kirkland, WA 98033. The Barony of Madrone is excited to welcome the Artisans of An Tir to gather and share their arts works. We will once again have display space for artisans and all the geeky chatting we can manage!

Not-Our-Court Court Report

Baroness' War, April 4-6, 2025

April 5th,

Congratulations to Sir Cedric Wlfraven and Lord Thomas of Salisbury for their wins at

the Baroness' War Thrown Weapons and Archery competitions, respectively.

Dragon's Laire also fielded 2 siege weapon teams, combat archers, and armored combatants during today's war scenarios.

Raven's nests were donated to the Baroness' Tea and Raven's Tea Party

Please note the AMAZING art from Lord Galan showcased on the clever flyer from m'Lady Kira Kirova, including her work on save the date QR code and splash page. Completed in time to make invitations for Their Excellencies using cards painted by the Dragon's Laire Scribal Guild.

In Service,



Ciar ingen Fiachnae, Court Reporter, TE Dragon's Laire

April 6th,

We are home safely after an incredible weekend filled with laughter, camaraderie, community, and WAAAAAR!

While the combined forces of Aquaterra and Dragon's Laire, both Legio and Myrmidon, fought valiantly with blows landing cleaning, arrows flying true, and seige bolts leaving carnage in their wake, the Inlands did emerge victorious when the smoke settled. This has only strengthened our determination and our bonds together to achieve victory next year.

The silk banners of Posidonius and Skalla proudly proclaimed where Dragon's Laire called home. A home where hospitality was shared freely, strangers became friends, and stories were both shared and made.

I owe a special thanks to all who fought and shot, inspired and advised, fed and watered, supported and cheered, and in one very memorable moment, carried and drove to medical care.

Please give a hearty congratulations to Thomas of Salsbury who won the archery competition, Sir Cedric Wolfraven who won the thrown weapons competition, Emil Grecian who came second in the Champions Rapier Tournament, and Ketill Cerdicson who came in third in the Heavy Champions Tournament and won the Chivarly prize!

I am exceptionally proud to be your Baroness and I'm eternally grateful to each and every one of you.

Yours in Joyous Service,

Furia

Baroness of Dragon's Laire



Receipts with Rycheza

'Salat 15' from Ein new Kochbuch, 1581

Redacted by Rycheza z Ploska

Good day and well met.

Today we have a lovely salad for Spring of Asparagus. This one comes from a late period German cookbook, a tome known as Ein new Kochbuch dated to 1581, translated into English by Sharon Palmer in 2014. When I say tome, I am not exaggerating. In over 400 pages, the author Rumpolt, covers how to cook all manner of beasts and birds, roasts, pies, and in one section, salads. In translation, we have recipe Salat 15. Asparagus salad/ that is also parboiled/ and sliced small/ or prepared whole/ it is good in both manners. You can make it with a pea broth/ with a little butter/ pepper and vinegar/ give warm on a table.

This is a simple dish, easily stirred up with only a few ingredients.

Fresh Asparagus Butter Fresh Ground Black Pepper Good vinegar (I suggest a balsamic, but red wine or another variety is okay.)



Fresh Asparagus, trimmed, lightly steamed or briefly parboiled, the goal is a still crisp stalk but cooked. Drain and arrange on a plate or shallow bowl. Add a few pats of butter, a generous grinding of fresh black pepper and drizzle on a good vinegar. (I chose a good quality balsamic.)

Serve forth warm and enjoy.

I chose to interpret the original recipe as either pea broth or butter. If served on a fast day, butter would be prohibited, and pea broth was the go to substitute for meatier broths. To be honest, I haven't done much work with pea broth and didn't want to bother with it. If I were to do this up for a feast I'd likely opt to chop the asparagus as that would be a bit easier to serve in quantity.

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'Sauce for soft-boiled eggs'

Apicius, translation found in Grocock & Grainger, 2020

Redacted by Ciar ingen Fiachnae

This recipe was part of the Gustatio or Starter course for the Yule Feast held in December, 2019. Egg and sauce together are delicious, sauce by itself is TERRIBLE.

in ouis apalis: piper ligusticum nucleos infuses; suffundes mel acetum, liqumine temperabis

Sauce for soft-boiled eggs: pepper, lovage, soaked pine nuts; pour on honey, vinegar, flavour with liquamen

You may or may not be able to find lovage seed but celery seed shares similar flavors and is/was in the bulk section at Town & Country in Poulsbo, or your preferred spice source. Some Celery salts are made with lovage seed, which could be an interesting experiment, just remember to cut your salt or fish sauce!

Note: this recipe requires at least 8 hours but 12-24 are better

Redaction

Ingredients:

12 eggs

150 g pine nuts (hazelnuts or almost will work, soaking time will vary)

300 ml red wine vinegar

- 1/3 cup honey, warmed slightly for ease of blending
- 1.5 tsp ground black pepper
- 1.5 tsp lovage or celery seed
- 1/2 tsp salt or fish sauce to start, you can always add more

- Rinse the pine nuts and then soak them in water, enough to cover plus a bit for at least 8 hours.
- 2. Boil your eggs in your preferred method to your preferred doneness.
- 3. Drain the pine nuts, crush into a paste. If you're feeling authentic, mortar and pestle or event a spoon. I preferred the food processor.
- 4. Add the vinegar, pepper, celery seed, honey, and half the salt source. Stir thoroughly to combine.
- 5. Taste. Use a piece of egg or a veggie stick or something that is unsalted.
- 6. Adjust to your taste, more salt or pepper, vinegar for a looser sauce, honey to balance.

To serve, cut your eggs in half, dab or ladle on your sauce. Enjoy!

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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!

Officers of the Barony & Canton

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Date of the meeting: 4/1/25

The Motion to approve the January Finance and Business Meeting Minutes from Alaricus Simmons

Seconded: Kloe of Thira

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

Dragon's Laire Finance Meeting

Barony of Dragon's Laire

Finance Meeting Report -

4.1.25

Committee members in Attendance

Pernell Camber, Seneschal

Nikippa Lakaina, Exchequer

Furia Dommitia, Baroness

Conrad Cedricson, Baron

1. Account balances available by request to the Exchequer

- 2. Event Bids:
- a. 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)
- xiii. Insurance paperwork in place.

xiv. Reimbursement requests in process.

b. Candlemas 2/1/2025

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: The event had 150 total attendees. Income from the event was \$4,868.08. Total expenses were \$3,988.91. NMR was \$220. Profit from the event was \$659.17.

- c. 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% of space use total
- vi. No new business
- d. Beltane II 25 April 3pm to 27 April 3pm
- i. Mael O'Conner 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

vi. Site acquired. Waiting on payment for the hall. Their highnesses are invited. Making space for YAC. Making plug for Heavies. Accepting donations of additional prizes.

- vii. No new business
- e. A&S Day Camp Spring 3/22/2025

i. Karl inn irski

ii. Event proposal. Site, Our Saviours Lutheran Church. Site cost \$200 donation. Kitchen access.

iii. Approved

iv. Check delivered to site. 14 classes planned.

v. No new business

f. Autumn War 9/11/2025 - 9/14/2025

i. Rosa Marcella is Event Steward; Myskia Billingr is Event Co-Steward

ii. Request DL run the Archery field and buy into the event for 10% of expenses in exchange for 10% of the profit plus reimbursement for buy-in.

iii. Buy in is estimated at \$1385; return on investment is estimated at \$1090. Total return (buy in plus profit) is estimated at \$2475.

iv. Intention is to utilize profit for archery program enhancements.

v. Approved.

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. 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.

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). Storage unit prices have doubled, so this is now on hold.

o. Request for Rebar to use to erect barriers for fighting: Arion. Approved \$300.

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

f. 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

To the Windswept and Pollen Covered Populace of Dragon's Laire:

KA&S:

Kingdom Arts and Sciences was one for the records this year! Our people were showing off their incredible skills by volunteering, assisting, and participating in the event. Very notably, two members of our Populace, Her Excellency Kloe and His Lordship Idomineous, were put on vigil for elevation which guarantees that June Faire this year will be a time of great joy and celebration.

Play Day:

Massive shoutout to Karl and his team for a hugely successful A&S Play Day! The notoriety of Dragon's Laire's Play Day is known far and wide and this year was another triumph. Our deepest gratitude to all of the teachers for sharing their skills both formally in classes and in individual lessons.

Ostara

Adelheide ran a top notch Ostara with 12 children participating in egg decorating, dragon egg hunt, and our first official YAC tournament in an



Skadi & Pik in evening Court at May Crown, 2025

eon. Special thanks to Thangbrandr and Thea for roasting delicious meat all day, those who contributed to the wide variety of tasty delicacies at the potluck and Countess E for organizing it, Skalla for stepping in to run Family Activities AND creating the YAC banner (if you haven't seen it, look for the yak!), and everyone who participated in setup and teardown. It was a delight!

Baroness War:

We are looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible at Baroness War this weekend! It's sure to be a fun war with His Excellency Conrad serving as Siege MiC and His Excellency Arion's masterful repairs to Bob the Ballista, we have no doubt that the forces of Dragon's Laire will be triumphant both on and off the field. Please remember that if you wish to fight, shoot, throw, or other shenanigans in the name of Her Excellency, a reusable water bottle is required.

Yours in Service, Furia and Conrad Coronets of Dragon's Laire

Seneschal, Pernell Camber

Remarks:

1st Quarter is over and reports are due in a month.

Award writing! It's time to write awards and anybody can do it. Don't let worthy people go unrewarded!

Looking for deputy for seneschal. Need one for chatelaine too.

Seneschal Deputies

Social Media Officer, Caterina da Savona

Social media continues to focus on event support and communications. We had A&S Day Camp and Ostara in March, and Beltane and June Faire (aka Kitsap Medieval Faire) coming up. Facebook events across An Tir are being hit heavily by scammers who pretend to be event staff to get money. Please be vigilant and only click on links shared by the official Page! Report anything that looks suspicious to admins, so we can deal with it faster.

Bianca di Baldesarre Saturnio and Akizuki Soujirou Kaoru have been working on some new Discord channels -- like a yard sale channel! (The pinned post in the channel describes a couple of simple guidelines, to be SCA-policy-compliant.)

And Anne of BearsHaven and Doc of Misty Ridge have joined the SMO team in support of the incipient Canton of Misty Ridge. Doc also joined Dragon's Laire for our monthly "tech team" online planning session. We hope this will help Canton members get the tech / social media support they need!

DEIB, Jessy Gateman

Monthly report for DEIB Officer, Jessy "Jess" Gateman, submitted April 1, 2025 (UTC):

Happy April! We've survived the dark and cold weather and now Spring is upon us! I know the longer days and warmer weather help improve my mental health.

April is a month I look forward to each year as it's Autism Awareness and Acceptance Month. Many autistic people, including myself, have found their home and safe space in the SCA. The SCA is a community that encourages info dumping (talking at length about a specific topic), in depth research, and experimental archeology--basically heaven to those of us with a need to know everything about our topic of interest.

Autism is a neurodevelopmental condition that often has may co-occurring conditions such as anxiety, Sensory Processing Disorder, ADHD, learning disabilities, Auditory Processing Disorders, Rejection Sensitivity Disorder, and Hyper Mobility Disorders such as Ehlers Danlos Syndrome just to name a few. Many autistics have self soothing behaviors known as stims to help them cope with the stimuli around them. Some of these stims may be quite obvious such as rocking, fidgeting in their chair, making repetitive movements, humming or singing to themselves, hand flapping and more. Other stims may be less obvious such as always having a hand project they're working on like knitting or embroidery, fidgeting with a small toy or item like a pen, playing with their keys, or rubbing their hands or fingers together (I like to rub my thumb nail with the pad of my index finger).

Generally speaking the autistic community prefers Identity First language (autistic person) over Person First language (person with autism) as autism isn't an accessory we carry around with us, it's our neurotype, they way our brain operates. Again, autistic community generally prefers the gold infinity symbol representing autism (Au being the symbol for gold) or rainbow infinity symbol representing neurodivergence over the puzzle piece as we are not missing a piece, we are whole just the way we are. Generally red is preferred over blue as blue (and the puzzle piece) is often associated with Autism Speaks which seeks to eradicate autism. Each autistic person is unique and may prefer person first language or the puzzle piece for themselves. As a rule it is best to follow what the community at large prefers when discussing autism in general, and follow what a specific person prefers when one on one with them.

You may have heard about autism being a spectrum. It's not a spectrum in the linear sense with less autistic on one end and more autistic on the other. It's more like a sound board for mixing music or a color wheel. Each autistic person has their own strengths and challenges with no two people being exactly alike. While diagnostically autism is separated into three categories according to how well an individual functions those labels are often used to deny support to those deemed "high functioning" and deny agency to those who are deemed "low functioning". Instead of using functioning labels it is preferred to use support needs as everyone has various levels of support they need to live, even neurotypical people.

I could go on and on. If you'd like to know more about autism I'm happy to discuss it with you. I'm also available to help you with any issues or questions you may have concerning Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, and Belonging here in the SCA.

In Service,

HL Jessy "Jess" Gateman, she/her, Autistic, ADHD, anxiety.

Family Activities, Pak Sol Hwa

For the month of March there was very little Family Activities. I did do youth activities at the A&S day camp and the youth made many little air dry clay forms and we did a little research on how to use popsicle sticks to make many medieval siege weapons.

Exchequer, Guiote de Bourgogne

Steward, Kloe of Thira

Librarian, Karl inn Irski

Hail to the inventive and ever-questingly might populace of Dragon's Laire! Herein is the Librarian's report covering March 2025.

There light at the end of the tunnel! (and no, I don't mean a horse-drawn cart with lanterns barreling down upon us). With thanks to our Chatelaine and our web folks, I've stood up a testable online listing of the library. Next steps:

- enlist a few gentles to test access and searching (currently search works well in Chrome but is a bit wonky with Edge)

- set up process for checking out material
- update library with recent donations
- start a 'book of the month' post where I list and describe a book of potential interest to

the populace

If you'd like to volunteer to help with testing, please email me at Dragon's Laire Librarian YIS,

Karl inn irski

Arts & Sciences Minister, Karl inn Irski

The A&S Minister's Periodic Proclamation to the Puissant Populace of Dragon's Laire:

March was mostly focused on A&S Day, and it was a grand affair. With much thanks to all the instructors and the gentles helping with setup/cleanup, reports from the populace were very positive.

A&S Day was held on 3/22, with a class on 3/18 for 'Intro to Banner Making' in preparation for the class on A&S Day.

The facility we used allowed for separate classrooms and a large area for socializing/ individual projects. It was a joy to see so many gentles attending, catching up with friends, and generally enjoying the day.

Classes held included:

- Kimchi Workshop
- Medieval Pottery, Form and Function
- Heraldic Display
- Sewing 102
- Cheese Cultures
- Personal Building Basics
- Saree to Greek/Roman Dress
- Fingerknupfen
- Turkey Wing Broom Making
- Heraldry 101
- Making Largesse Bags

- Banner Making

Again, without the wonderful participation of many from mighty Dragon's Laire (and beyond!) A&S Day would not have been the success it was.

We had a small but feisty Bardic Circle on 3/25.

Stay tuned for some kind of Bardic shenanigans at Beltane in the Canton of Misty Ridge!

Gamesminister, Lucy of Leke

For the Month of March:

The third Tuesday games night was in competition with a couple of classes last month, and the classes won. Even I preferred to sit in on Banner Making.

Games were set up all day for Ostara. An array of four board games requiring different levels of strategy was set up inside. Attendees were invited to learn the board games and to participate in a game tourney (play any combination of the games four times with any combination of opponents to get points). Kubb was set up outside after some of the other outdoor activities had claimed the space they needed. All of the games were enjoyed by a small but enthusiastic pack of youths, plus a few adults. Only a couple of people elected to try the tourney, but their play was interrupted when a large cup of water had a confrontation with physics and spilled on the gaming table. The players did not return after the clean up, so no one finished the tourney.

I am contemplating Carcassonne for the April games night. Also, I am open to suggestions and requests.

Baronial Marshal Posiedonous Lakon

Martial activities a proceeding apace.

Heavy, and YAC practice has been happening at Silverdale Lutheran church. The last day is April 1st, after which it will resume at the VFW.

AT Ostara on 28 March, YAC held a practice as well as the Kingdom Youth Marshal gave a class to prospective YAC marshals.

Chief Archer, Brian of Cardiff

Unto the Glorious (and damp) Barony of Dragon's Laire, Greetings and Felicitations!

It is with great pleasure that I report we actually had two practice sessions in the month of March, the latest being on the 30th. A much-appreciated and all-to-short day of sunshine and comparatively warm temperatures. A good start to Spring!

In Future News, I currently plan to shift practice hours to Wednesday evenings on April 16. Times will be from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM. Once daylight lasts long enough to permit, hours will extend to 8:00 PM. This will allow time for those who can't arrive until after 5:00 to have a decent amount of practice time. I expect this to happen around the end of April. I will post specific information to the Baronial and Dragon's Laire Archers FB pages. Also coming up, Beltane in Misty Ridge on April 26. Particulars will be found on the Calendar pages. Also, June Faire looms ever closer. As always, I will be looking for volunteers for setup, teardown, and marshalling of the range during the event.

Lastly, the Sybils have been whispering portents and prophecies of an Event as yet still below the horizon-Autumn War is coming!

Dragon's Laire has been asked to run Target Archery at the event. Volunteers, archers, marshals and general helpers, you know who you are, and I'll be looking for you. Don't hesitate to volunteer, and if you have a positively wizard idea for a novelty shoot for the event(s) let me know! I'm on the Dragon's Laire Archers FB page, business meetings and frequently at Social nights too.

Until next we meet, I remain Yours In Service,

Brian of Cardiff, OGGS

Chief Archer, Barony of Dragon's Laire

Heavy Martial: Ketill Cerdicesonne

Practices have continued to be well attended. Today marks our last day at our indoor facility. Thank you to Silverdale Lutheran Church for providing us with a fantastic indoor practice space. Nothing else to report.

Lists: Halldora Bjorn

Nothing to report

Rapier, Felix Fitz Pierce

Nothing to report at this time.

Siege, Wu Zhi

Thrown, Robert the Tailor and Deputy Kara Bjorki

Monthly Throwing Weapons report

The rain and field conditions has not allowed practice to be held most of March, but last Sunday. With the weather improving and daylight increasing practice will be happening more often. As well Throwing Weapons practice will be switching to summer schedule (Tuesdays 6pm-8pm @ VFW Post 4992, outside) starting April 15th.

Youth Armored Combat (YAC), Lyndi of Summergate

During the march we had 2 gear repair days

8 and 6 kids

And 1 practice were we had 6 kids

One tournament with 7 children participants at Ostara

We had a marshalling class at Ostara

During April

We will have practice on Tuesday's at the vfw

We have indoor and outdoor activities planned so we will be here rain or shine

We have yac day scheduled on 4/6 and there isa yac tournament scheduled for Beltane

Chatelaine, Aoife Aileanach

Monthly report for Chatelaine, Aoife Ailénach, submitted March 31, 2025 (UTC):

Good Morning, Good Day and Good Evening!

While at this point of the year- I am not sure if month entered like a lion or lamb, but this is your Chatelaine report for the month of March!

Our next newcomer class is session 4 on April 23. The An Tir Newcomers Education

(unofficial) group has all of the links for the upcoming classes.

In my excitement I believe I added this to last month's report. One of my favorite things is to solve problems, and when I saw that the Barony of Madrone needed support to fill their booth for ECCC (Emerald City Comic Con). Within an hour of posting a message on face-book and discord we had enough humans to staff their booth and were able to connect our members with their Chatelaine. A big Huzzah to Aelin, Beowulf, Felix, and Skalla. Their willingness to always jump in and support our Barony is inspiring.

A major huzzah to Karl and Thea in their willingness to help a (not so) newcomer with getting a ride to social.

This month we have outfitted 4 newcomers and they are very excited to be joining us at Baroness' War and Beltaine as their first events. 2 newcomers joined me in the Kingdom lev As we get closer to JuneFaire we will have more need to help our new friends feel ready for our big event, which leads me to my next exciting bit of news...

With the support of their Excellencies, we will be hosting a garb creating challenge! There will be prizes! There will be rules! More information will come out as we get closer to the start of the challenge.

Gratefully yours,

Aoife

Chronicler, Ciar ingen Fiachnae

Thank you to those who contribute and ask questions about contributing to our Monthly Flames! Also many thanks to the Officers for using our monthly report form!

Golden Dragon Pursuivant (Herald), Owain ap Gwylliam Pengryth

On this day and unto the glorious Barony of Dragon's Laire does this your Golden

Dragon Pursuivant give word.

Shiny.

Now on to other news.

I continue to be available for over half of our social gatherings and will continue to make it to baronial events such as the wondrous Ostara that happened this last weekend. Consultations continue with March yielding five discussions of names or heraldry, all of which I believe will result in filings. Progress continues. Yours in service,

Owain ap Gwyllim Pengryth

Baronial Scribe, Kara Bjorki

Webminister, Kira Kirova

The Kitsap Medieval Faire website is almost ready for publishing. The new site includes a fresh design and logotype. Thank you to Galan for providing art. The home page, location page, and FAQ are done, there will be more pages to come as details start to roll in from the planning committee. If you would like to provide information, copy, images, or other contributions to KMF.org please contact the webminister directly.

Some small copy updates have been made to the baronial website. This is a thank you and reminder to send the webminister an email or direct message anytime if you notice something incorrect on the website. Please note that our discord server also has a tech requests channel if you would like to send your request to the entire tech team.

Open projects in progress are as follows:

Server and domain migration

Google Workspace setup for Baronial Google Drive

Public Library Spreadsheet Request from the A&S Minister

Updates to the Baronial awards form

Guilds & Groups

Culinary & Spirit-makers Guild, Ciar ingen Fiachnae

Greetings!

There was no meeting in March due to conflicting schedules and commitments to Ostara. There were many tasty eats at Ostara, several of them period or in a period-style which were enjoyed by all.

We are working to organize the April and May meetings and will likely be doing some upkeep on our tables and braziers in preparation for June Faire. THL Rycheza is leading our demo activities this year. If you are interested in participating as a cook, assistant, cookbook hawker, or have items for display - please let us know! We are happy to have you and expand our demo offerings.

Scribal Guild, Tamlyn of Wyntersea

March brought painting method exercises for Gouache - Tea to Butter, Washes, and Wetin-Wet on Thursday the 13th and Gems on Friday the 14th with Zoom sessions both days. There were 8 in attendance on Thursday and 6 in attendance on Friday.

April is going to see Insular Minuscule Calligraphy on Thursday the 10th and Wordsmithing for awards texts on Friday the 18th, hopefully in a Zoom session for those not able to attend in person.

The Uncial class has been moved to the week after June Faire when HE Taliesin will hopefully be coming down from Tir Righ.

Please look in the Official Dragon's Laire Scribes Facebook group for Zoom info around the time of the meeting.

Decorations Committee, Adelheide Leeuwin & Deputy Sigridr Vilhjalmsdottir

Event Updates

Ostara, Adelheide Leeuwin

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

Greetings Mighty Barony!

June Faire/Kitsap Medieval Faire progresses!

There is art! You will see it soon!

The contracts for the Fairgrounds are signed, Merchants are pre-registered, and preparations for Event pre-reg, Camping & RV reservations, and volunteer sign-ups are in process!

We will have a meeting on April 8th at 6:30 PM at the VFW Hall. Likely with Zoom available for those who can't attend in person.

Our advertising will be handled by the amazing Kira Kirova, if you are in charge of an activity (marshals, A&S, Bardic, etc) we do need your content! The sooner the better otherwise you get my "there will be activities" with a picture of someone doing something interesting from a previous event.

Officer notes from the Incipient Canton of Misty Ridge

The April Business Meeting for the Incipient Canton of Misty Ridge was held online via Zoom, April 7th, 2025

Canton Seneschal, Veleda ingen Kee

• We continued preparations for Beltane 2025 and submitted the checks and contracts to reserve the site. Our Beltane Event Steward (and Herald) conducted a site visit to layout the plans and submitted additional check requests to the Barony. The focus of our efforts has been preparing for Beltane on April 26th.

• We do NOT currently have a heavy weapons volunteer for Beltane and would welcome the Barony's assistance in recruiting. It was a big draw last year.

• We drafted an initial response to the Canton status update to the kingdom, and with feedback from the Excellencies, we are drafting revised new response. Their Excellencies invited Their Majesties to Belane 2025.

• The Kingdom reached out to the Dragon's Laire Seneschal regarding the former Shire's trailers in storage. On our behalf, she coordinated with the Kingdom to settle the overdue amounts, and the Kingdom has advised the former Shires' funds are nearly depleted. Once we have paid the vendor, we will enlist a group to review the contents, salvage what we can re-use, and one of our members has agreed to store them on their property until we become a Canton and have the funds for storage.

• Weather permitting, we held the routine Canton business meeting on the first Monday of March, and weekly archery practice on Saturday's from 1 to 3 PM.

YIS, Veleda Ingen Kee Misty Ridge Seneschal

Canton report for Exchequer, Jeffery of Jarrow

There has been no financial activities in the month of March 2025

Canton report for Marshal & Chief Archer, Fearghus MacCulloch

Monthly Canton Marshal's Report for the Incipient Canton of Misty Ridge, Marshal Fearghus MacCulloch, submitted March 31, 2025: Preparations for the Beltane Celebration started this month. I borrowed two archery nets from the Barony. I sent out emails to the Baronial Marshals about running the following martial activities for Beltane: Heavy Weapons, Rapier, Thrown Weapons, and Youth Combat. I Heard back from the Youth Combat Marshal and they will run youth martial activities. I made a post on the Canton and Baronial Facebook pages looking for marshals for the other martial activities. Jim Wingren contacted me and volunteered to run a rapier tournament. So far, Beltane will have Archery, Rapier and Youth combat.

The only martial activity that we have in the Canton is archery. There were two archery practices held this month:

03/01/25 Regular practice 03/08/25 Practice canceled because the Chief Archer was out of town 03/15/25 Practice canceled due to inclement weather 03/22/25 Regular practice 03/29/25 Practice canceled due to inclement weather

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

Incipient Canton of Misty Ridge Herald monthly report: March 30, 2025

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

Yours in Service,

Máel Cáemgein mac Sheamuis Ui Chonchobair

Canton of Misty Ridge Herald

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