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Upcoming Events

- May 3-5: <u>Spring Crown Tournament</u> (Denton, MD) (RP). A&S (Tempora Atlantia), feast, merchants welcome, NO FIRE PITS. Oh, and there's that entire 'Crown Tourney' thing.
- May 11: <u>On Target</u> (Annapolis, MD). Join the Barony of Lochmere for archery, atlatl, siege weapon demo, site fee includes lunch and roast pig for dinner. Only limited space for A&S.
- May 17-19: Gathering of the Clans (Waynesville, NC) (RP). Hawkwood Baronial Birthday.
 Vurrry Scottish, including caber tosses and the like. Also, equestrian events, bardic, and SCA/Seneschal 101 classes. Camping, feast, and merchanting.
- May 24-27: <u>Ruby Joust VIII</u> (Courtland, VA) (RP). Caer Mear Baronial Birthday. Light and Heavy Fighting, Archery, Thrown Weapons, Youth Combat. **THE NEXT POETA ATLANTIA WILL BE CHOSEN AT THIS EVENT**. No feast, no fire pits (fire bowls permitted).

May 31 – June 2: <u>Highland River Melees</u> (Hagerstown, MD) (RP). Full martial and A&S slate, Investiture of Highland Foorde's Baron and Baroness. Feast, camping, merchanting.

Regular Baronial Activities

Locations to regular baronial activities on the last page.

- May Populace Gathering: May 19, 2019, 6:30-9pm, Jason's Deli, 7356 Baltimore Ave, College Park, MD. 301-779-3924. Business meeting starts at 7pm. Parking is free on Sundays.
- **Armored, Rapier Practice**: May 6, 13, 20, 27 7-9 PM.
- **Dance Practice**: May 6, 13, 20, 27 8-10 PM. Join the <u>Dance listserv</u> for the latest news.
- Archery: May 19, 26 Adelphi Manor Range, 1-3 PM.

A&S: May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 6-10 PM. See the <u>Facebook event page</u> for location and contact information.

Baronial At-Home: May 14, 7-10 PM.

Early Northern European Adhocracy: May 21, 7-9 PM. 9426 Canterbury Riding, Laurel MD 20723. Contact Mistress Teleri the Well-Prepared at 301-483-3691 for details.

OYEZ! OYEZ!

Baronial News Highlights

<u>Fall Coronation</u>: Contact Kunigunde (mol<at>storvik.atlantia.sca.org) in order to volunteer.

<u>Battle on the Bay</u>: Battle on the Bay 2019 needs helpers! Contact Marguerite (seneschal<at>storvik.atlantia.sca.org) if interested. The event will be the 4th weekend of September 2019.

<u>Praise the Praiseworthy</u>: Their Excellencies welcome recommendations for awards, as always.

<u>Indigo Dye Day</u>: May 12th. 10 AM - 5 PM, Springfield VA. 40 gallon vat full of indigo dye, for all your indigo dyeing needs. See the Facebook events page for <u>more details</u>.

<u>Stierbach May 2019 Equestrian Practice</u>: May 12th. 10 AM – 3 PM, Front Royal VA. See the Facebook event page for <u>more details</u>.

Camping Skills Overnighter: May 17-18th overnight. After work Friday to Saturday morning, Greenbelt Park. Being run by the lovely and talented Mistress Teleri Barod, OL: see the Facebook Event page for <u>more details</u>.

Skol!

Wordfame for those in Storvik's hall

Lady Juliana ad aquam received the Award of the Undine at Coronation!

Overheard and Unattributed

Said at the populace meeting; we won't say by whom

Next year, when the Stanley Cup is on, I will remember this day.

Baronial Meeting Notes, April 14, 2019

Meeting started 7:08 AM. 14 adults, 1 child. Ice cream machine had plenty of chocolate syrup for garnish, but a bit of whipped cream and/or fruit toppings might have gone over well.

Officers' Reports

<u>Seneschal</u>

Lady Marguerite Honoree d'Cheneau/J. Chenault

- Reminded officers to get quarterly reports in, if required.
- Officers asked for preferred emails.

Minister of Arts and Sciences

Lady Mirabella/M. Gretsinger

Nothing to report.

Exchequer

Lord Morton/S. Graf

- 1Q report done (\$8,500 in bank).
- 2Q check for Practice, check for archery to be cut.

<u>Quartermaster</u>

Lord John West/J. Hutchings

• Not present.

<u>Chatelaine</u>

Lady Sonya/S. Gross

- Gotten some new people in (interested in archery)
- Green Man Labor Day Parade (see new business)

Chronicler

Lord Morgan O'Lathlann

- Drekkar went out.
- Warned populace about wanting to get input on how Drekkar should look in the future.

Webminister

Lady Tatsume/C. Flessas

• Nothing to report.

Social Media Officer

Lady Sonya/S. Gross

• Reminded everyone about Awesome Con, SENEA, A&S, and Archery that week.

<u>Knight Marshal</u>

Lady Angeline/L. Madan

• Nothing new to report.

Deputy Chatelaine

William de Hirst/B. Fisher

- Still working on college outreach.
- Running Newcomers' Point for Storvik Novice Tourney; needs volunteers.

• Progression in getting warranted continues.

<u>Herald</u>

Lady Rose/E. Stark

• Did consulting.

<u>Youth</u>

Astrid Spakona/E. Whitlock

Not present.

MOL

Lady Kunigunde/R. Green

• Nothing to report.

Baronage

Baron Celric and Baroness Ilaria/D. And M. Bartlet

- Went to a lot of events.
- Still looking for items for gift baskets, particularly Royal. Gas cards, postage stamps, poetry, whatever what people can give. Mathoms welcome [cannot remember if their Excellencies used that word or it was just written down as shorthand, but basically if it's used but still very nice, it can go in the basket].
- Royalty gift basket delayed for Novice Tourney.
- Please send in award recommendations and word fame. Copy B&B on kingdom award recommendations.

Events

Performers Revel had 60 people total.

<u>Storvik Novice</u> (Sonya is Autocrat): Needs liaison for Royals, may need Heavy Marshall. Event Theme will be Fighting Women.

<u>AwesomeCon</u>: at end of month. Facebook posts are up. Call for items for display. 20 foot table this year. Sign up sheet for volunteers (8 exhibition badges, can be swapped out with no problems). Need four people on site at all times. Will be collecting stuff for display at fighter practices. NO WEAPONS. No dancing.

Battle on the Bay (Gabrell): Marshall spots filled. Things going smoothly.

New Business:

Green Man Labor Day parade in Greenbelt. No cost to be in parade; \$25 for information table for Saturday only. Vote to start process of joining parade passed via voice vote.

Key to storage lost. Church entrance key, so will have to be replaced. Special key, treasurer will mention the loss. Will see how to proceed after church responds.

\$55 to make business cards. Passed via voice vote.

Baron would like to get metal wire wall for banners. Price TBD. Voice vote to spend up \$100 passes via voice vote.

Awesome Con: Baron wanted two more badges (\$200) (for Kingdom/regional level representatives [Megan and Emma]), Electricity (\$200). Motions to approve money passes. Baron is handing over coordination to this to Seneschal (Kaitlyn to assist).

Baronial financial meeting tabled.

Meeting adjourned 8:09PM.

On retaining. (A letter from His Excellency)

One of the more interesting facets of this game we play are the illusions of power that we maintain. We do this most visibly via the fealty system from which we copy the most romanticized parts. The top of that system are the Royals, and under Them, the Baronage that support and care for those lands and people within Baronies.

The Royals have a massive undertaking ahead of every reign, as traveling the Kingdom is no thing, but They also have those whose job it is to help Them in Their duties. The Court Secretary keeps the Court schedule, contacts those groups TRM's are visiting on Their Progress, and does a bunch of coordinating. The Head Retainer keeps TRM's schedule and allows Them to travel knowing that they will be appropriately received at the end of Their journey. Countless others help in various ways behind the scenes, from sewing hundreds of favors to filling a cup with water during court. Fortunately, They need only be super engaged for about 6 months, but in reality, the planning to complete a reign takes Their entire time as Royal Heirs as well.

The Baronage have somewhat less of an undertaking ahead of them in many ways, though their time 'on' is significantly longer. In theory, what is done on the macro scale (the kingdom level) is mirrored at every micro level as well (the Baronies) to a lesser extent, but the reality is somewhat different, though not necessarily in a bad way. Obviously, the Royals have the resources of the entire Kingdom to draw upon, while the Baronage have only those within their borders – this means that if we don't husband our resources properly, it will lead to significant burn out among our populace. Not an acceptable outcome, in our opinion. This is further complicated by the fact that many baronage do not know what to do with retainers. Certainly we have a court herald for our business with our people, and champions to represent us in faraway lands, but beyond that? We have had little interest in examining closely the idea of baronial retainers as it relates to us (though I will say that those who have stepped in to help with our toddler will forever have our gratitude). This is changing.

Having passed a vote of confidence that humbled us in its near unanimity, we will be serving two additional years as the Baron and Baroness of the group that we truly love. During this time, we'd like to have each member of the group find a few minutes of introspection to see if you'd like to take up the honor of possibly becoming our heirs. If so, Ilaria and I would ask that you take an event or two (or more if you'd like) and retain for us, so that you can see what the job is like, and so you can be more steeped in the duties and pleasures that being a representative to the Crown has to offer. Come talk with us if you have questions, and seek us out to see what a 'day in the life of' has to offer you. Mostly, that will entail simply hanging out and enjoying all an event has to offer, but sometimes... Well. It takes more than two people to set up a tent or make a dayboard.

Storvik Ascendant.

Celric, Baron of Storvik, Mother of Baronies

Baronial Regnum

Baron and Baroness of Storvik Baron Celric d'Ravelle & Baroness Ilaria de Gandia D. Bartlett and M. Bartlett

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Bardic Lady Astrid Spakona and Irena

Heavy Weapons Lady Eleanor Bywater

Rapier Lord Jeffry Thorn

Youth Vacant

Baronial Appointees

Warlord Lord Griffin Wharvager **Populace meetings** are held the 3rd Sunday of the month at 6:30pm at Jason's Deli in College Park, MD. Baronial business will be conducted at 7pm. Take your best route to US-1 S in College Park. Go past the university main gates; a few lights down is Knox Rd, with a Peri-Peri chicken place on your right. Turn right and then turn left into the parking lot of the mall. Jason's Deli is near the entrance where you came in. 7356 Baltimore Ave, College Park, MD. 301-779-3924. Fight practice (armored and rapier) and dance **practice** are held each Monday at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 4512 College Ave., College Park, MD 20740, at the corner of College Ave and Princeton Ave. off of Route 1, south of Paint Branch Pkwy. 7 blocks from the College Park/U of MD Metro on the Green Line. Archery practice on Sunday 11:00am at Adelphi archery range, 2800 University Blvd E, Adelphi, MD 20783; equipment-making at Lord Cameron's during inclement weather. Early Northern European Adhocracy: 9426 Canterbury Riding, Laurel, MD. Right off I-95 exit 35A. Free unassigned parking. One cat.

Baronial At-Home: 1204 Canberwell Rd,



Jason's Deli located by red diamond. Monday practice at 4512 College Ave, College Park, MD 20740 is at the letter "A" in the map pin.

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