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Il Tempo

Welcome to *Il Tempo* (The Times), the Newsletter of the Barony of Ponte Alto, one of the northern baronies in the Kingdom of Atlantia.

Il Tempo strives to be an informative read that you look forward to. To this end, we are always appreciative of any contributions to it, perhaps an article of a project you are working on or are interested in, how to make/play a period game, your experience at an event, how/what to prepare for a day trip, a recipe/ piece of garb that you've made, documentation on an item you've competed - a how to on

documentation, a few words on a historical person/event, photos, a book review, something to share with a newcomer - perhaps a short autobiography of your persona or how you came to figure out your persona.

The list can go on for ages - only limited by the speed at which our hands can write out what our minds can think of.

Come, share with us adventures in the great Barony of Ponte Alto, in the grand Kingdom of Atlantia, in this - the current Middle Ages!

News / Announcements

Help Wanted

Greetings unto the great Barony of Ponte Alto!

Do you know some one who could lend a hand, be a deputy? There are so many positions in that Barony that could benefit from someone—or a couple of someones lending a hand or an hour of their time. If you, or someone you know, would be willing to assist with some of the positions, every one benefits.

We are always looking for more deputies. The more deputies there are the lighter the load for the position.

One thing we must keep in mind—there really is something for everyone in the Barony and the SCA and everyone can add something to the Barony and the SCA.

In Search Of:

Deputy Seneschal
Deputy Archery Marshal
Deputy Gold Key
Deputy Herald
Deputy MOL
Deputy Chronicler
Deputy Web Minister
-get the idea ☺

We could use a few (more) good Pontoons to volunteer to ensure everyone has time to enjoy all the events they choose to attend.



It's not too early to start thinking about...

Ruby Joust

If you are going to Ruby Joust, register with ACCEPS then, if you'll be camping, register for camping too. If you'll be

camping with the Barony, Ponte Alto is a choice in the dropdown menu.

<http://caermear.atlantia.sca.org/ruby/registration.html>

May 25-28, 2012

PENNSIC XLI

If you are going to PENNSIC, online registration is open. Make sure, no matter what group you are camping with, you register with that group at the time of registration. **This is the only way your group will be allotted the space for you to camp with them.**

Pre-reg ends May 15 (mail-in) or June 15 (on line).

If you want to camp with the Barony, it is listed as:

Barony of Ponte Alto

After registering for PENNSIC, be sure to register with the Barony so we can map out a space for you:

<http://pontealto.atlantia.sca.org/pennsic/register.php>

July 27—August 12, 2012

Chalice IX

Chalice of the Sun God IX: Romancing the (9) Muses

The personification of knowledge and the arts embodied by literature, dance and music, the Muses, the nine daughters of Zeus and Mnemosyne, are eager to share their gifts of inspiration to those who would romance them.

These daughters of inspiration would attend us in the dance of the arts of battle and archery; counsel our hand in crafting music, song, and poetry in odes to history; conduct our eyes to examine both the heavenly coliseum and earthy theatre. Calliope, Clio, Erato, Euterpe, Melpomene, Polyhymnia, Terpsichore, Thalia, and Urania would inspire any efforts this day if only you care to join them in this romance, this flight of fantasy.

Muse	Domain	Emblem
Calliope	Epic poetry	Writing tablet
Clio	History	Scrolls
Erato	Love poetry	Cithara (in the lyre family)
Euterpe	Song and Elegiac poetry	Aulos (like a flute)
Melpomene	Tragedy	Tragic mask
Polyhymnia	Hymns	Veil
Terpsichore	Dance	Lyre
Thalia	Comedy	Comic mask
Urania	Astronomy	Globe and compass

October 12, 2012



Beastiaries

Animals in the Middle Ages

Bestiary

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

For the Robert Rich album, see Bestiary (album).

A bestiary, or Bestiarum vocabulum is a compendium of beasts. Bestiaries were made popular in the Middle Ages in illustrated volumes that described various animals, birds and even rocks. The natural history and illustration of each beast was usually accompanied by a moral lesson. This reflected the belief that the world itself was the Word of God, and that every living thing had its own special meaning. For example, the pelican, which was believed to tear open its breast to bring its young to life with its own blood, was a living representation of Jesus. The bestiary, then, is also a reference to the symbolic language of animals in Western Christian art and literature.

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bestiary>; 10, April 2012

From the mundane to the mythical, the medieval beasts were larger than life representations of animals. Many of these beasts have been captured in illuminated manuscripts—some small and in the margins, others taking a full page. A search for some of these fantastic renderings will return some more well known bestiaries. If you have a flair for illumination, an eye for color, a hankering to try your hand at creating some, join the folks at the Scriptorium, on every other Tuesday.



From the Ashmole Bestiary

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bestiary>; 10 April, 2012



The Bestiary of Anne of Walsche

<http://www.artlex.com/ArtLex/Be.html>; 10 April, 2012

http://bestiary.ca/articles/anne_walshe/index.html; 10 April, 2012



The Aberdeen Bestiary

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bestiary>; 10 April, 2012



The Aberdeen Bestiary

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bestiary>; 10 April, 2012



Baronial Champions

Do you want to be THE Representative of the Barony in your field? Maybe you would like to be a Baronial Champion.

As a Champion you will be asked to talk about your art and share with others your passion. You may be asked to process in with and/or stand with the Baronage while they are in court at Ponte Alto events and any that Ponte Alto is represented at and invited to sit in a Great Court.

You will be encouraged to teach a class on an aspect of your passion so that others in the Barony can be exposed to what you find most

engaging.

Ponte Alto's Brewing Champion will be chosen at PENNSIC in August and the Archery Champion will be chosen at Chalice in October.

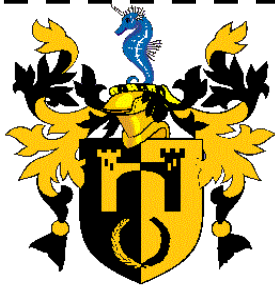
If you feel the Barony is missing a category, let us know. If you would like to BE the Champion of something, let us know. Remember, half the fun is sharing what you know/can do with others so that whatever the activity is that inspires you can be passed on and perhaps you can inspire others to join you, in this, the Current Middle Ages!



Ponte Alto Notables

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Warlord:	Mistress Cunen Beornheim	warlord@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org

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<http://karenswhimsy.com/medieval-people.shtml>
12 January 2012



Baronial Business Meeting Minutes

April 22, 2012
6:00 pm
Adjourned at 6:45 pm
12 people in attendance

St. Paul's Lutheran Church
7426 Idylwood Road
Falls Church, VA

OFFICER'S REPORTS

Seneschal - Baron Marcellus Capozziello da Napoli - Searching for a deputy. There was a snafu with the insurance for the heavy and rapier sites—need to resubmit (it ran out last year and they want to be an “additional” insured). Mistress Kaitilin and Master Rainulf are cleaning house and would donate a 12x14 marquee if the barony would like it. We could use it for a dayshade.

Exchequer - Daniel Warwick -not in attendance.

Knight Marshal - Lord Charles the Bull, not in attendance.

Rapier Marshal - Lord Geoffrey ap Clywd –new folks occasionally.

Archery Marshal - Lord Miles de Locwode -not in attendance.

Arts and Sciences - Lady Bevin an Broc Drannach - submitted quarterly report already. Highland River Melee will have a weaving competition and Lady Ellisande is coordinating classes. Atlantia Crown Tempora is 1250-1492; display only 1492 –1600.

Chatelaine - Lady Caitilin Irruis inghean ui Riada - 18 in attendance at Thegn Brénainn's; Mays at Mistress Lucia's.

Herald - Thegn Brénainn MacShuibne - not in attendance.

Chronicler - Damen Adina - Still seeking chroniclers; as always, the call is out for articles/artwork for II Tempo.

Web Minister - Giovanna Rossellini di Firenze -not in attendance..

Minister of the List - Lady Cellach Mór - notes that 3 of the 4 MOLs at Golden Rose were Pontoons.

BARONIAL NOTABLES

Warlord – Mistress Cunen Beornhelm

Heavy Champion - Master Kevin of Thornbury

Rapier Champion - Lord William Gillecrist Ross

Archery Champion - Naran Numuchi

A&S Champion - Baron Marcellus Capozziello da Napoli

Bardic Champion - Maestra Cassandra Arabella Giordani

Brewing Champion - Aveline Scargill

BARON AND BARONESS

The Barone and Baronessa attended Night Under the Towne and Defending the Gate. Will be attending Coronation, Spring Crown, Royal Archery Championship, On Target and Ruby Joust. There will be a Meade brewing class.

EVENTS

Ruby Joust

The camp is registered



Chalice IX (2012)

Spiked for 20 October/have pricing
Autocrat - Lady Sophia/ Lady Giovanna
Cook - Thegn Brénainn
MIC - Lord Patrick

Love and Beauty (23 February, 2013)

Spiked and reserved; considering a \$2 surcharge at the gate if didn't register with ACEPS.
Considering capping feast spaces; looking for a fund raising lunch.
Autocrat - Lady Caitilin
Cook - Thegn Brénainn

OLD BUSINESS

Coronets, Adina is on Mimi's schedule to see her.

NEW BUSINESS

Baroness Marie-Therese is fighting for Lord Naran in crown.
Mistress Cunian is fighting for Barone Drogo in crown.
Our MoM is now official. Lady Talaitha may be a new deputy.
The Chatelain is looking for a eputy to handle Loaner Garb.
Looking for a Hall Steward (would fall under Chamberlain)
We were approached about doing events, do we want to do Golden Rose (3rd weekend in April)?
Lady Kelamore will be checking out a Unitarian church for Univent.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

University is in Front Royal, 2 June



MAY 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm Indoor Rapier Practice 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm Indoor Heavy Weapons Practice	4 4:30 pm Stierbach Archery Practice	5 Atlantian Spring Crown Tournament
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JUNE 2012

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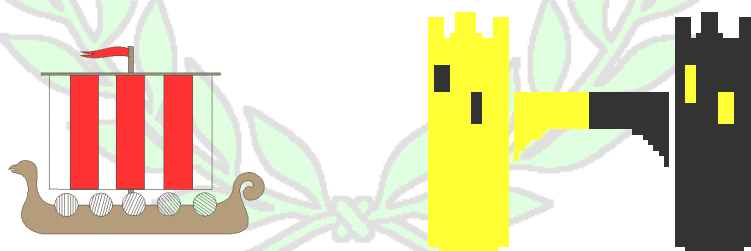
Weekly Events

SUNDAY	
Ponte Alto Baronial Business Meeting	Fourth Sunday of the month at 6:00 p.m. at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 7426 Idylwood Rd, Falls Church. Directions: Take your best route to I-66. Get off at the exit for Route 7 West (Tysons Corner). Turn left at the first light after the interchange onto Idylwood Rd. Go ¼ mile; the church is up the hill on the right.
Outdoor Heavy Weapons and Rapier Practice	Weather permitting, 12:00 noon until dark, outdoors at Tysons-Pimmit Park, behind Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library, 7584 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church. Contact the Baronial Knight Marshal for information (see Regnum). Directions: Take your best route to I-495. Get off at the exit for Route 7 East (Falls Church). Go about 1 mile; the library is on the left. Park in the library lot and walk down the hill to the park.
MONDAY	
Alle Psallite (Vocal Music)	Every Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in Herndon. Contact Mistress Anne of Carthew (anne@ravenstreet.org) for more information or directions. Music files can be found at http://www.ravenstreet.org/Anne/alle_psallite/alle_psallite.htm and on the Yahoo Group AllePsallite.
Ponte Alto/Stierbach Archery Practice	Every Monday, 4:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Contact the Archery Marshal at archery@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org for further details. Contact archery-marshal@stierbach.org for more information on Stierbach archery practices; Bull Run Shooting Center 7700 Bull Run Dr., Centreville; Fridays, 5PM-7PM, fee \$3.25.
TUESDAY	
Ponte Alto Scriptorium	Meets the first and third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Contact Lady Brigid O'Hara (mill3rs@yahoo.com, (703) 409-0780 (c)) for information and directions.
THURSDAY	
Rapier Practice	Every Thursday, outdoors at Tysons-Pimmit Park, behind Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library, 7584 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.. Contact the Baronial Rapier Marshal for more information. Directions: Take your best route to I-495. Get off at the exit for Route 7 East (Falls Church). Go about 1 mile; the library is on the left. Park in the library lot and walk down the hill to the park.
Heavy Weapons Practice	Weather permitting, outdoors at Tysons-Pimmit Park, behind Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library, 7584 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Practice is geared to developing beginning and intermediate fighters through intensive hands on training with experienced instructors, as well as providing ample opportunity for more advanced fighters to spar with knight-level combatants. All are welcome. Contact the Baronial Knight Marshal for more information (see Regnum). Directions: Take your best route to I-495. Get off at the exit for Route 7 East (Falls Church). Go about 1 mile; the library is on the left. Park in the library lot and walk down the hill to the park.
MONTHLY	
SCA Newcomer Meetings	Newcomer Meetings are held once a month from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the home of various members of the Barony. Contact the Baronial Chatelaine for information, or check out the Events/Activities page on the website for the most recent information.

*Note on school locations for activities: There will be no activities at schools during school holidays or on other days when Fairfax County schools are closed or all nighttime school recreational activities are canceled. Notification of cancellation or alternate site location will be posted on the web as soon as possible. You can visit the Fairfax County Public Schools Emergency Announcement page for school closure status: <http://fcps.edu/news/emerg.htm>

Did you realize Ponte Alto is a progeny of Storvik?

As you know, 20 years ago, Ponte Alto became a Barony unto itself, and the Barony of Storvik is where we hailed from. Our Bridges represent the bridges over the Potomac River. As in medieval times, the river serves as a natural border between the two lands.



And if you want to know the rest of the story – check out our site or ask an old timer.

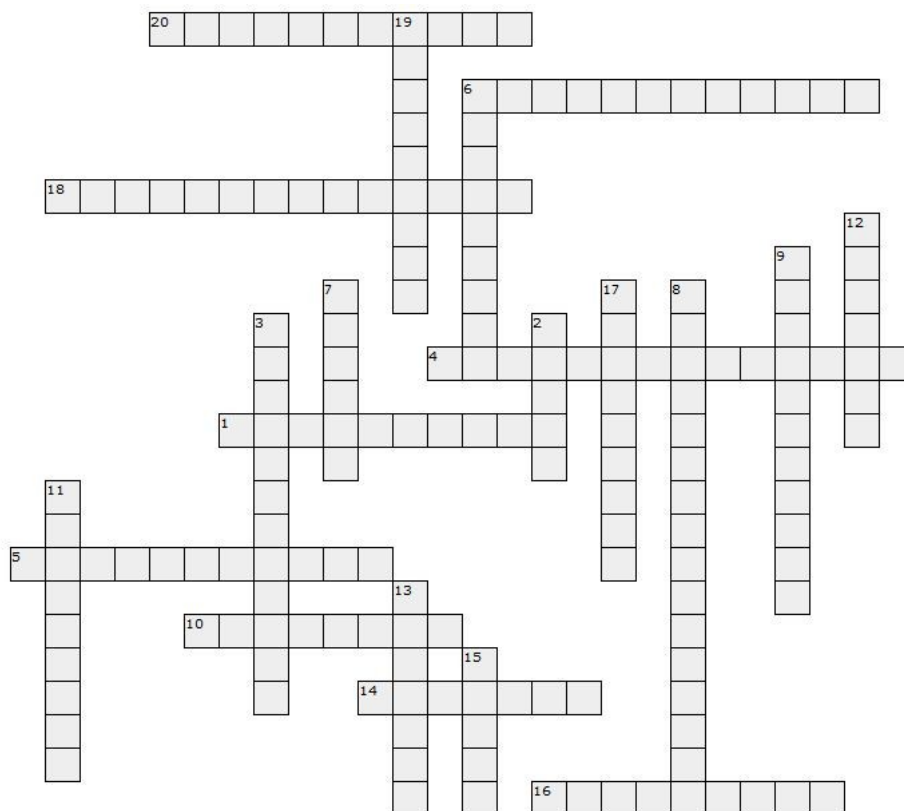


Baronial Progress for May / June

Date	Event	Barone / Baronessa
5 May	Atlantian Spring Crown Tournament	Drogo & Adina
12 May	Atlantia's Royal Archery Championship	Adina
19 May	On Target	Adina
25-28 May	Ruby Joust	Drogo & Adina
1-3 June	Highland River Melees	Drogo & Adina
9 June	Summer University	Drogo & Adina
16 June	Stierbach's Baronial Birthday and Investiture	Drogo & Adina



You May Have Read About ...



Across:

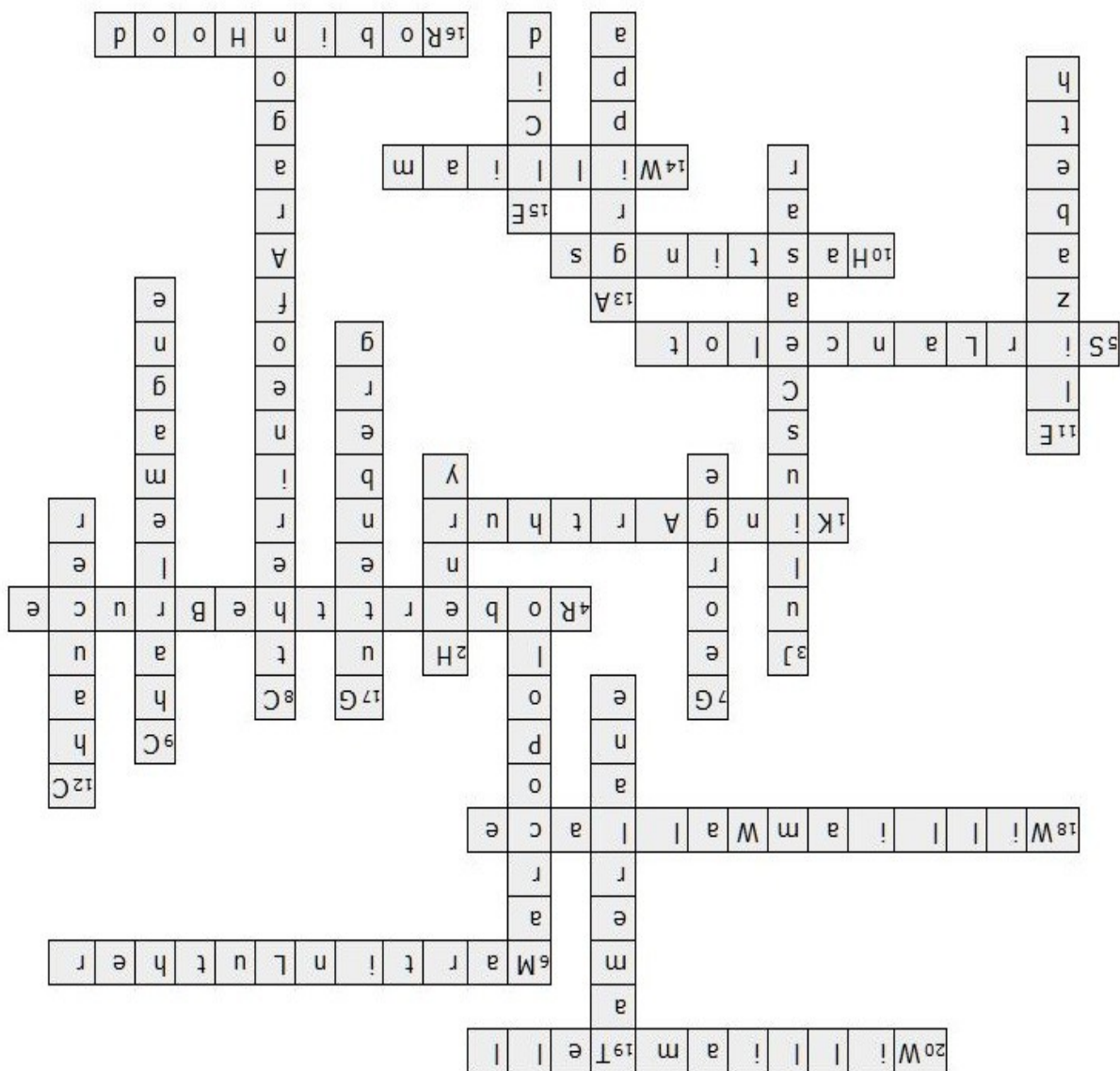
1. Built Camelot..
4. The greatest Scottish King.
5. Went in search of the Holy Grail.
6. Founded the Lutheran religion.
10. The Battle of _____
14. ____ the Conqueror.
16. Stole from the rich to give to the poor.
18. A great Scottish hero, Braveheart.
20. National hero of Switzerland and handy with a bow.

Down:

2. King who had five wives
3. Roman Emperor
6. Medieval explorer.
7. The dragon slayer.
8. Henry's first wife.
9. King of the Franks
11. The Dowager Queen
12. Wrote the Canterbury Tales
13. Wrote the Tratise on the Science of Arms.
15. A military leader and hero of Spain.
17. the inventor of the art of printing with movable types.
19. The Mongul Conqueror who restored the Mongol Empire established by Genghis Khan.



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