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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 completed - 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

Call to the Barony!

*Lady Marion humbly requests your assistance in crafting gifts for the many, *many* baronial investitures happening this year!*

Lend your skills to the barony so that we may properly welcome our new barons and baronesses!



Populace Meeting Minutes

January 26, 2020

5:10 pm

Adjourned at 6:32 pm

18 attendees

Mosaic Community Space

2985 District Avenue, Suite 100

Fairfax, VA 27584

OFFICER'S REPORTS

Seneschal - Geoffrey for Dwayne Eckman (Lord Seamus Ó Maoil Riain)

- ♦ Brian de Moray has been sanctioned by the MoD. Suspended for 1 year. Geoffrey will be filling in for the Deputy Earl Marshal role. (So he cannot replace Seamus as Seneschal for Ponte Alto.)
- ♦ Seamus is looking for a replacement as seneschal. Would like to find a deputy.

Arts and Sciences - Meghan Sherrill (Lady Ailleann O'Meighan)

- ♦ Looking for a new place to host dance practices. Perhaps 1 or 2 practices a month. (Something less frequent than every week.) Discussion of possible spaces.
- ♦ Margaret is looking to do a monthly A&S activity.
- ♦ Ailleann wants to do a monthly bardic activity.
- ♦ Inquiry: did anyone do anything for 12th Night? Please let Ailleann know.
- ♦ Kingdom Arts & Sciences Festival coming up. Need volunteers. Mary so far. Marie-Therese would like to see multiple persons. Will check with Ciosa. (MT) would like to get her front of the laurels.
- ♦ (Marion) 5 (maybe 6) investitures coming up. Looking to set up a schedule to make stuff for those investitures as largess.

Knight/Rapier Marshal - Brittany Lasley (Colette Vitalis)

- ♦ Waivers for the 4th quarter have been turned in.
- ♦ Made flyers. Showed them to the attendees.
- ♦ No helm update at this time.

Chatelaine - Mary Dotson (Maria Chiara Datini)

- ♦ Newcomer's Night. 4 new people.
- ♦ Discussion about promoting events. Via FB. Can't share without paying? Will discuss with Marie-Therese.
- ♦ Kosimo to host next Newcomer's Meeting. 2/28.
- ♦ Margaret to host March Newcomer's. 3/20? Adina to host next Newcomers Meeting. 2/28.
- ♦ Maura for April. Margaret & Maura may switch?



Populace Meeting Minutes (cont.)

Exchequer - Katie Bischoff (Astrid)

- ♦ Current balance of \$10,859.75
- ♦ “Doomsday” report is ready for review.
- ♦ Need to get Colette as signatory.
- ♦ Expenses filed. -\$810 for the year.
- ♦ Discussion: Everyone has chipped in to help keep expenses down. Look for sites (in the future) that help keep costs down.
- ♦ Kingdom level events make money. General consensus that we should host one.
- ♦ (Adina) proposed Spring Crown Tourney. May 2021. Will have to locate a site.
- ♦ If not Spring, then perhaps the Fall Crown Tourney.
- ♦ Kingdom level events don’t have to worry about conflicting events.
- ♦ Wild Hunt is our conflict for the Fall. We **must** do a Fall event. Comment, Chalice was our money-maker.
- ♦ Discussion of Love & Beauty. Changed over time. Had to compete with other events for that same month. Even with a 25% increase in attendance, still won’t see the profit we want.
- ♦ September still muggy. November too cold.
- ♦ (Drogo) plan on losing about \$1k this year due to no L&B.
- ♦ For 2021: Love & Beauty, Bloodbath, Crown, Wild Hunt
- ♦ (MT) We need to recruit more folks so we don’t burn people out. (Adina) Happy to work with anyone that wants to try it* out. (e.g., autocratting)
- ♦ (Kim) Demos? AwesomeCon? Unsure of dates.
- ♦ Discussion of Twitter. The Barony has one. Drogo will check to see if he can still access (so that login info can be passed to current B&B).

Chronicler - Ron Hanagan (Rónán mac Ímair)

- ♦ Continues. Always looking for content.

Web Minister - Ron Hanagan (Rónán mac Ímair)

- ♦ Discussion of the push for Facebook “Pages”. Will be setting one up.
- ♦ Will be working on updates to the website to make it more mobile friendly.

Herald - Sarah Stango (Johanna le Paumer)

- ♦ 2 names in commentary.
- ♦ New name and device in the works.

Baron and Baroness - Nicholas Freer & Mary Bowles (Naran Numuchi & Marie-Therese Normand)

- ♦ Attended: 12th Night, Lochmere’s Midwinter 2020
- ♦ Tristan submitted a cote in A&S.



Populace Meeting Minutes (cont.)

- ♦ To attend: Winter University (MT), Bright Hill Baronial Birthday (Naran), Ymer 45 (both), AEdult Swim (MT), KASF (MT), Bloodbath (both), Caer Maer Baronial Birthday (Naran), Hidden Mountain Birthday & Investiture (MT), Defending the Gate (Naran), Spring Coronation (both).
- ♦ Encourage folks to enter A&S. Yay to Marion for entering.
- ♦ Announced at 12th Night, Ponte Alto siding with the East. The baroness was very pleased about this.

Events

Bloodbath (Sofiya)

- ♦ Site permit on hand.
- ♦ MiCs have been identified.
- ♦ (Ailleann) Snakes theme for A&S?
- ♦ (Adina) Need volunteers for pop-ups. Limited space for staking anything down. Stierbach B&B will be there. Lochmere possibly. Depends on the weather.
- ♦ Budget already passed. (Previous meeting)
- ♦ Tables (4) needed. Discussion about how many needed.
- ♦ List fence discussion.
- ♦ (Kim) in the process of menu planning.

Wild Hunt (Marion)

- ♦ Budget almost ready. There are a couple of decisions to make.
- ♦ Feast options discussed.
- ♦ Lunch discussed. Do we handle ourselves? Or invite another group to provide?
- ♦ A&S to promote in the next couple of months.
- ♦ Wait for Pennsic to promote brewing.
- ♦ 115 people as target number of attendees.
- ♦ Discussion about day-tripping (vice camping).
- ♦ Stierbach has asked for some court time.
- ♦ Discussion of merchants. Depends on site.
- ♦ Will start doing the layout at a later date. Numbers first.
- ♦ Budget and Contract to be presented at next meeting.

New Business

- ♦ (Marion) Tristan volunteering to do a hood-making class.
- ♦ Plans for a project day in the next couple of months. Donations of yellow and black fabric?
- ♦ (Mary) Would like to make hoods for Gold Key. To be loaned out to guests.
- ♦ Perhaps a "Make and Take" approach. Make 2, keep 1, and 1 for the barony.
- ♦ (Kim) Discussion of stuff in Gold Key to get rid of. Sell at an event? (MT)



Populace Meeting Minutes (cont.)

suggested a silent auction, perhaps at Wild Hunt. (Adina) Suggested that Holiday Faire would be a better option.

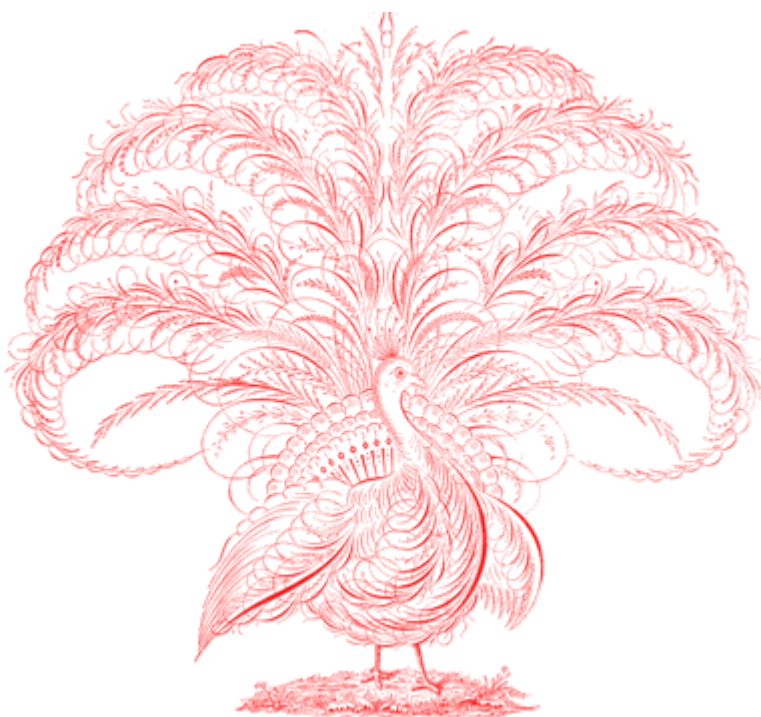
- ♦ Plan to get a table at Holiday Faire. Adina will spearhead.
- ♦ (Margaret) Discussion of how much we make (have made) at Holiday Faire in the past. Didn't make a lot the last time because we didn't have a lot to sell. Made \$400 the previous year.
- ♦ (Colette) Budgets.
- ♦ Archery related: estimated \$120. Motion to approve \$150 passed.
- ♦ Rapier related: last year we repaired a lot of stuff. Discussion of what else is needed (and where it might be acquired). Need swords for loaner gear.
- ♦ Item #1 drop tester, item #2 loaner swords. Estimate \$65 for drop tester. Estimate \$250 for (2) swords. \$325 total.
- ♦ Seamus has a drop tester. Subtract from estimate.
- ♦ Motion for \$250 for (2) swords passed.
- ♦ Discussion of epees for youth. Colette is now an authorized youth rapier marshal.

Old Business

- ♦ (Mary) Made \$361 at Yule event. Cost was \$500. Donations from the barony made it a wash.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ♦ (Adina) A&S tomorrow night!
- ♦ (Tamara) selling raffle tickets for a chair.





Weekly/Monthly Events

	<i>SUNDAY</i>
Ponte Alto Baronial Populace Gathering	Populace Gathering (and Business) Meeting, usually the <u>4th Sunday</u> of the month at 5:00 p.m. at a location to be determined. Details will be advertised prior to the meeting. Everyone is welcome to attend.
Outdoor Heavy Weapons	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). (cancellations posted on the Ponte Alto e-list) 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.
	<i>MONDAY</i>
Scribal and A&S	It is the day after the populace meeting, most always <u>the 4th Monday</u> , 6-10pm Fairfax, 22033 (contact chronicler@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org for address; cancellations posted on the Ponte Alto e-list). Not to worry, any Arts and Sciences projects are welcome. Allergy alert:: cats.
Stierbach/Ponte Alto Archery Practice	Summer practice, held at Grimmsfield. 16132 Crusade Ct. Haymarket, VA 20169. 5:00pm until dusk. Loaner equipment available (please contact archery marshals)!
	<i>THURSDAY</i>
Heavy Weapons Practice	Summer, outdoors at Tysons-Pimmit Park, (see Outdoor Heavy Weapons and Rapier Practice above). Winter, Lemon Road Elementary School cafeteria (7230 Idylwood Road, Falls Church), weather and school events permitting (cancellations posted on the Ponte Alto e-list)
Rapier Practice	Summer, outdoors at Tysons-Pimmit Park, (see Outdoor Heavy Weapons and Rapier Practice above). Winter, Shreveview Elementary school cafeteria (7525 Shreve Rd, Falls Church), 6:30pm-9pm (cancellations posted on the Ponte Alto e-list)
Projects Night	<u>1st Thursday</u> , private residences. Address will be posted on a private site (Facebook: Ponte Alto Arts & Sciences) to preserve the privacy of the hosting sewer. If you'd like to host or don't have a Facebook account and need the address, please contact Vadoma (mka Marlene Wells Martineau) moas@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org .
	<i>FRIDAY</i>
Stierbach/Ponte Alto Winter Archery Practice	Winter practice, held at Bull Run Archery Center. 7700 Bull Run Dr, Centreville, VA 20121. 5:00pm until 7:00pm. Loaner equipment available (please contact archery marshals)!
	<i>MONTHLY</i>
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 (chatelaine@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org), 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>

* A reminder to those to attend marshal activities and practice at Fairfax County Public Schools:
NO FORM of real weapons, even Swiss Army knives, box cutters, etc. are to be brought onto school property.*



Baronial Progress

Baronial Progress for February/March	
Date	Event
2/1	Winter University (Marie-Therese & Naran)
2/8	Bright Hills 26th Baronial Anniversary (Marie-Therese & Naran)
2/21-23	Ymir 45 (Marie-Therese & Naran)
3/7	Kingdom Arts & Sciences Festival (Marie-Therese)
3/14	St. Paddy's Day Bloodbath (Marie-Therese & Naran)
3/21	Caer Maer Baronial Birthday (Naran)
3/27-29	Hidden Mountain Birthday & Investiture (Marie-Therese)
3/28	Defending the Gate (Naran)

We really could use your help

There are several positions in our Barony that could use a Deputy; actually, all of the positions that we have could benefit by having at least one deputy.

Why a Deputy? Well, it is easy for any one of us to intend to do something if we don't take into account that the SCA is what we do with our time after we are finished doing what we do to pay the bills.

With deputies, the work load can be shared, allowing more work to be accomplished with less time and stress for any one individual.

Besides, it is a great way to work with others to do something different to help make your, and other's, SCA experience that much better!



Ponte Alto Notables

Archery Champion: Lord Rónán mac Ímair
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A&S Champion: Ciosa di Tommaso
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Bardic Champion: Diana of Ponte Alto
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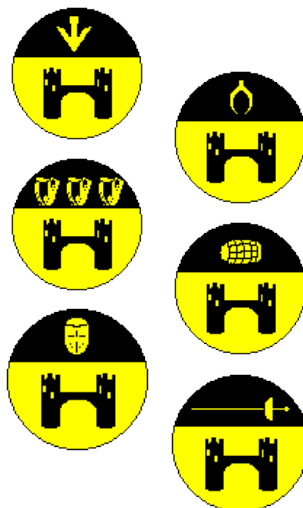
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Thrown Weapons Champion: Emilia di Nicastro
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Looking for a way to get involved?

Why not try retaining!

What is retaining?

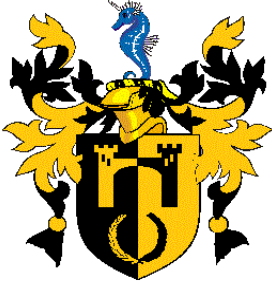
Their Excellencies need help with taking notes (e.g. for gifts or to-do stuff), staying hydrated, reminders to stay on schedule, fetching things, and otherwise keeping Their Excellencies comfortable and out of trouble (especially the Mongol one)!

Who can retain?

Anyone can retain! If you've got free time at an event, Their Excellencies will be very appreciative of your assistance. Plus it's a great way to learn more about what it means to be part of the pageantry of the SCA!

How can I volunteer?

If you are interested in volunteering, or even just finding out more, reach out to our head retainer, Diego Díaz de Oviedo at headretainer@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org



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