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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!

NEW & ANNOUNCEMENTS

EVENT & PRACTICE CANCELLATION

ATTENTION! Due to COVID-19, all non-virtual events and practices are cancelled until further notice.

The Barony encourages everyone to practice social distancing (as well following state and local guidelines) and we look forward to the day when regular activities can resume.



From BoD

A message from the BoD:

During the July 28, 2020, Ad Hoc meeting of the Board of Directors for the Society for Creative Anachronism, the following Resolution was passed by a unanimous vote and made effective immediately:

Resolution to Suspend In-Person SCA Activity until January 31st, 2021 (PDF)

I. Whereas, the COVID-19 Global Pandemic has created an unparalleled challenge for the administration of the Society for Creative Anachronism. The Board of Directors acknowledges the health and well-being of the membership and participants of the SCA are of utmost importance;

II. Whereas, the Crowns of the vast majority of North American Kingdoms have petitioned the board to suspend in-person SCA events in North America until January 31st, 2021;

III. Whereas, following consultation with the Kingdom Seneschals of the North American Kingdoms, it appears that this petition is generally supported;

IV. Therefore Now Be It Resolved, The SCA Board of Directors suspends all SCA in-person events in North America until January 31st, 2021;

V. Resolved, Small local gatherings including, but not limited to, archery practice, guild meetings, officer meetings, and local martial activities shall remain at the discretion of the Crown and Kingdom Seneschal, in accordance with CDC, State, Provincial, and local health guidelines and recommendations. Virtual events as alternatives continue to be a viable option;

VI. Resolved, The SCA Board of Directors directs the Society Seneschal to grant a blanket variance to Corpora waiving any required events such as Crown List and Coronation until January 31st, 2021, as well as extending all current reigns until a royal list can be held to determine suitable Heirs;

VII. Resolved, If a Crown or Coronet steps down without Heirs for a Kingdom or Principality, a Regent shall be installed until such time as a royal list may be held to find suitable Heirs and a Coronation or Investiture held. This regent should be installed according to the Kingdom or Principality laws that govern the appointment of Regents, after consultation with the Society Seneschal. If the Kingdom or Principality has no such law,





From BoD (cont.)

the Kingdom Seneschal (and Principality Seneschal when appropriate) must consult with the Society Seneschal and Society President to determine an appropriate selection method for a Regent;

VIII. Resolved, the SCA Board of Directors invites Kingdoms who have determined that it is safe to host in-person events before January 31st, 2021, to request a variance from the Society Seneschal to be able to do so. The Society Seneschal shall have the authority to grant or deny these requests. These requests will be reviewed by the Board using the same review method used for variances to Corpora;

IX. Resolved, the SCA Board of Directors commends the officers, royalty, hard-working membership, and participants who have made it possible for the SCA to continue activities during these trying times.

Any commentary regarding this matter should be addressed to sca-comments@lists.sca.org. Please use the title "Resolution" in the subject line.

NOTE: Please use the body of the email for commentary.

Attachments will cause your message to be marked as spam, and it will bounce.

In lieu of email, commentary may be sent by US Mail, Postage-Prepaid, to:
Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc.

RE: Resolution

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<https://www.sca.org/news/resolution-to-suspend-in-person-sca-activity-until-january-31st-2021/>

Comments are strongly encouraged and can be sent to:

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You may also email sca-comments@lists.sca.org.

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Populace Gathering Minutes

July 26, 2020

Zoom virtual meeting

5:25 pm

Adjourned at 5:41 pm

17 attendees

OFFICER'S REPORTS

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

- ◆ Memo sent out by Duchess Simone, we're not going to open Aug 1. Maybe late August. BoD is recommending not until January, but will allow the kingdoms leeway. Baby steps. Start with Thrown Weapons and Archery because you can have distance. Did not mention melee. All business mtgs will stay virtual for the foreseeable future.
- ◆ Mary Dotson, her warrant (as chatelain) expires at the end of this month. She is not going to renew. Stepping down for personal reasons. Lady Sofiya was asked if she'd like to step up into the role, however she felt wasn't the best candidate. Lady Delphina the Mad volunteered to step into the role.

Exchequer - Katie Bischoff (Astrid)

- ◆ 8,481.90 current balance (same as last month).
- ◆ Q2 report is done. Looks like Q1 report.

Arts and Sciences - Emily Shifflett (Lady Marion Compton)

- ◆ (Virtual) A&S continues.
- ◆ 6 people at social this afternoon.
- ◆ Good classes in July. Will send write-up to Ronan
- ◆ Has to travel, so August may be quiet. Not hosting until she doesn't have to travel.
- ◆ Aillean is officially on her way. Handed off stash to Marion.
- ◆ Has a couple of projects for a deputy.
 - Re-establish our hoard of largess.
 - Some sort of DB of artisans of Ponte Alto. e.g., for awards.

Herald - Sarah Stango (Johanna le Paumer)

- ◆ Continues
- ◆ Had a couple of people reach out to register names. Working on a new name.
- ◆ LOAR just came out. We had one new name registered.

Chatelaine - Mary Dotson (Maria Chiara Datini)

- ◆ Not present



Populace Gathering Minutes (cont.)

Chronicler - Ron Hanagan (Rónán mac Ímair)

- ♦ Request for content. Looking for Pennsic memories.

Web Minister - Ron Hanagan (Rónán mac Ímair)

- ♦ Continues

Knight/Rapier Marshal - Brittany Lasley (Colette Vitalis)

- ♦ Not present

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

- ♦ *From Naran:*
- ♦ Reaching out to people to make sure they are ok, like Cosimo.
- ♦ Personally has a rotator cuff injury.
- ♦ WoW has been cancelled.
- ♦ *From MT:*
- ♦ Nothing much. Keeping up with Kingdom asks. Next check-in is August. Doesn't look like we are going to open up.
- ♦ Still working. Still working a lot of hours.
- ♦ Will be back in the office on Aug 1st.

Events

Wild Hunt (Marion)

- ♦ (Seamus) I think we need to cancel.
- ♦ (Marion) After speaking to the park, she does think we need to cancel. So, roll over to 2021.
- ♦ Any opposition to cancelling? None. CANCELLED

Old Business

- ♦ n/a

New Business

- ♦ (Adina) w/ Delphina the Mad. She expressed interest in Chatelain. (Seamus) Will need to complete the paperwork.
- ♦ (Mary) Get Pix for Il Tempo (Pennsic in your Backyard). Adina says get over here and take some!
- ♦ (Seamus) Repurposing all the meal packets.
- ♦ (Adina) Next meeting of the Great Officers of State (GOoFs) this Wed.



Populace Gathering Minutes (cont.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ♦ (Seamus) We just got an announcement for FFX co. schools. Restrictions thru at least the end of the year. So, practice spaces will not exist at least until the end of the year.





A&S Update from Marion Compton

This month our A&S was a little quieter but nonetheless fun. We started off with a Ponte Alto Foodie's get together to chat about cooking and July's King's Challenge for food and drink. Recipes were swapped from a variety of sources of Spanish cookbooks, about quick pickles, and kimchi! We also had an A&S social hour and Ponte Alto's Pennsic At Home Party. Several classes are in the works when mundane life gives our A&S team some time to work on that.

We are currently seeking some A&S deputies! If you are interested in helping arrange classes or work on some behind the scenes A&S projects for Ponte Alto, please email Lady Marion at marion.comptonsca@gmail.com.

University classes have been submitted and registration for students opens August 16th for September 12th!

Photos of the month:

Lady Sofya's (self-taught!) wire weaving





A&S Activities (cont.)

Lady Marion's Revenge of the Stitch Blackwork tester



Her Excellency Marie-Therese's Revenge of the Stitch entry



We'd love to feature more works in progress — so feel free to email them to marion.comptonsca@gmail.com, including any pictures you'd like to share!



Weekly/Monthly Events

SUNDAY

Ponte Alto Baronial
Populace Gathering

Populace Gathering (and Business) Meeting, usually the 4th Sunday 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 Park. Contact the Marshal for information.

All activities and practices that take place in person have been temporarily suspended due to COVID-19.

Scribal and

The **Monthly Populace Gatherings** will take place on their regular dates by means of virtual communication. Details for those events, and how to access the virtual meetings will be posted on the Baronial website's calendar at <https://pontealto.atlantia.sca.org/calendar.php> and other social media (including Facebook).

Stierbach/
Archery Practice

Heavy Weapons
Practice

Rapier Practice

Projects Night

Stierbach/
Winter Archery

SCA Newcomer
Meetings

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 August/September	
Date	Event
8/7-9	Pennsic in Your Backyard
	No other events scheduled at this time due to COVID-19

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

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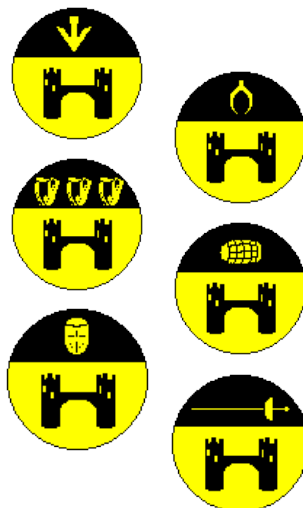
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Looking for a way to get involved?

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)!

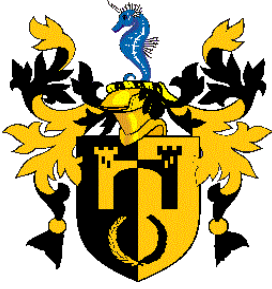
Who can retain?

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!

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