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Chronicler

Greetings Ponte Alto,

Let's get down to business, as outlined in the prior issues of the II Tempo, the newletter will have a tentative deadline for articles and art of the 20th of the month prior to publication. The absolute-nothing-more-can-be-accepted-date for submission of articles and art to the II Tempo, is the beginning of the Baronial Meeting, on the fourth Sunday of the month at 6pm. The Baronial Meeting itself is the last information source for news and is the last day for anything new to be submitted to me for the II Tempo.

The themes for the next seven months are tentatively scheduled as follows:

- June "Eat, Drink and Be Merry." This issue will include brewing, cooking, and entertainment.
- ◆ July "Pennsic War" preparations and the War itself (send in pictures).
- ◆ August What I learned at War.
- September Chalice of the Sun God (Medusa theme).
- October Halloween/Ghost Stories.
- ♦ November Fall Harvest.
- December Meet Me Under The Bridge, (pictures and stories about the events.)

I'd also like to thank Ursus for the use of his photograph in the II Tempo. His photographs make it all the sweeter that we can participate in the SCA and have a memory of an event, or a person to last a lifetime.

Check out the minutes for the May meeting and any one interested in becoming Baron and/or Baroness, please submit a letter of intent to the Seneschal by the next Baronial Business meeting on June 27, 2010.

That's it for this month, and thank you all for supporting the Baronial Newsletter.

Baroness Marie-Thèrése Normand Chronicler, Barony of Ponte Alto chronicler AT pontealto.atlantia.sca.org



Photograph by Ursus of Anglesey

In Memory of Agnes Daunce, mundanely known as Nellie Miller (b. 1939 – d. 2010)

Agnes Daunce, was not only a great influence and supporter of Ponte Alto, but she was a great influence and supporter of Atlantia. Agnes served as a deputy knight marshal for more than 10 years. Her capacity to give to others in service to the Kingdom was unmatched by those that I know, and where ever she was needed she was there making an effort to teach, support, and encourage while doing what she loved.

Though she lived in Rockville, Maryland, she chose to play and support Ponte Alto in the Fairfax, Virginia area. She was a horrible navigator, as I personally know, but she would travel hours up and down the east coast for many years supporting people she admired while they sat the thrones, held events, hosted universities, or in general called upon her for help. For such a tiny woman she had the biggest personality I knew and I will miss her.

Vivat Agnes!

Deputy Knight Marshal, Ponte Alto Baroness Agnes Daunce (Nellie Miller)

I wrote the attached set of lyrics (Feast Song for Agnes (Il Tempo).pdf) in tribute to Agnes.

Feast Song for Agnes (To the tune of Ken Theriot's Feast Song)

Lyrics by Maestra Cassandra Arabella Giordani (mka Kim Jordan)

I'm never late for dining in the feast hall
When dinner's called I hasten to my seat
I know with Agnes serving that the meal will be a treat
High table's setup perfectly for all I get to eat

The bowls and spoons are laid out on the table With goblets, napkins, forks and knives set straight A linen tablecloth - the perfect backdrop for my plate The feast gear is all ready so believe me when I state

I'm sure the next remove is good, so try it I'll ask for more and Agnes will provide it She'll fill my water goblet with anything I please Or bring me bread and butter, and cheese

There must have been a special on this linen or why else would it decorate the hall? The colors of her tabard match the banners on the wall Agnes brought her stash again and shared it with us all!

I never knew that she could do that with a striped staff
To see big knights bow to Agnes is sublime
Her Excellency can be heard on the field at any time
The little lady with her great big smile - she charms them down the line

I'm sure the next remove is good, so try it I'll ask for more and Agnes will provide it She'll snatch up all my dishes, and clean them up with ease Or bring me bread and butter, and cheese

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Baronial Meeting Minutes

Meeting Started at 5:59 pm May 23, 2010 Gregorian, Anno Societatus 44 Officer's Reports

Seneschal- Baron Marcellus Capoziello da Napoli: Welcomed everyone to the May Baronial business meeting. He then announced that things were going to be done differently this month., and that Their Excellencies had an announcement—

Baroness Katharine announced that she and James would finish their two years as Baron and Baroness of Ponte Alto and not seek another term. They would like to support the next candidates, and encourage anyone interested in stepping forward to submit a letter of intent to the Seneschal.

There was some discussion and the Seneschal asked that the letters of intent be sent in by the June Barony meeting. Yhe letters would then be collated, and printed in the next month's newsletter. Marcellus then encouraged anyone interested in the position to contact the past Baronial representatives to find out what was needed as far as the job was concerned, because it would take up a lot of time, money and effort. He assured those gathered, however, that it was the most rewarding job in the SCA.

Lady Emma was then called on to make another announcement: their majesties have put out a call for financial assistance. Donations, for a 20x40 tent to put on the War Field as a rally point, are being called for in; either the tent itself or the money to rent one. They are going to wait until June 1st to make a decision on whether they call for donations from Atlantia's baronies of \$30 per barony, to offset the cost of a pavilion of that size on the field. The Barony if going to go ahead and get tentative approval for a \$30 donation, just in case it is called for between now and the next Barony meeting. A motion was put before the populace by the Seneschal and seconded by Baroness Katharine. A vote was then taken, and the vote carried unanimously, that should a donation be necessary we, the gathered populace, had approved a \$30 donation in support of the tent. It was estimated that \$496 would be needed to rent a tent that size.

Exchequer-Baroness Celia of Rosedale: The Barony has \$12,050.55 in the bank and her quarterly report was submitted on time.

Knight Marshall-Charles the Bull: Talked to Duncan and worked things out. A e-mail was sent to the archery marshal and nothing has been heard from them yet. He then noted that the fencing marshal was readily accessible so no email was necessary for him. Duncan is going to be at the heavy practices for a while to support them and they will alternate supporting the practices and getting the forms in to Kingdom.

Rapier Marshall-Lord Geoffrey ap Clywd: moved the time for practice back to 6:30 due to time constraints in making it to the site any earlier.

Archery Marshall-Lord Miles de Locwode: Not in attendance.

A&S- Mistress Belphoebe de Givet: Belphoebe mentioned that the fiber night was on hiatus for a short time and that costume/sewing nights are still happening. She then encouraged people to sew something for Chalice of the Sun God. She also informed those gathered that A&S at Sapphire was a good time to display work. The reason being that a wide variety of projects was normally shown, so the participants would get an array of skill levels to compete against and talk to about their work. Then she encouraged everyone to go for the experience, at the very least, as it was a very good event for A&S.

Chatelaine- Lady Emma West: Five newcomers showed up at the joint cook's guild and newcomer's night on Friday (21, 2010). The place was packed with a total of 14 people. The next newcomer's meeting will be on June 18th at Mel's house, and the chatelaine will be sending an email out to the list on Monday.

Herald- Lady Sian verch Gwilim ap Lewelin: Not in attendance.

MOL – Position not filled.

Chronicler-Baroness Marie-Therese Normand: The Chronicler is settling into the office and has had time to read the rules governing the position. She needs to send a copy of our newsletter to the Kingdom Seneschal as well as the Archivist, Their Highnesses, and Their Majesties. This was overlooked in the rush to adjust to the office and get stuff published. It, as of last month, has been remedied. A letter was sent out asking if their highnesses wished a hard copy of the newsletter and haven't received anything back yet. The Chronicler is enjoying her office and looking forward to the next publication. Send in art and articles as they are always needed. She then addressed the issue of the game and children's section asking those gathered for input as our Barony was growing in this direction by leaps and bounds and wanted to know what others want to see with regards to this section of the Baronial Newsletter.

Web Minister- Giovanna Rossellini di Firenze: Not in attendance. Baroness Katherine and the Seneschal made the comments that, "she is extremely responsive." and "Doesn't show up to a lot of things, but can be reached by email and responds quickly to them."

Chancellor of Youths - Gráinne inghean Dauídh uí Chonchobhair: Not in attendance.

Baronial Notables

Baronial Warlord- Not in attendance.

Baronial Heavy Champion--Not in attendance. It was commented that he, "However, is organizing teams for Sapphire Joust"

Baronial Archery Champion- Not in attendance.

Baronial Fencing Champion- Not in attendance.

Baronial Artisan Caitilin Irruis inghen ui Riada: plans to compete at Sapphire Joust and Storvik Novice Tourney.

Baronial Brewer Lord Henry Bartholomew West: The first tasting for the commissioned mead for the Baron and Baroness of Ponte Alto went over well. He has started on the Baroness of Black Diamond's Mead for her upcoming wedding. Also, he announced that he has decided his newest meads are going to be made out of dates/honey, and pineapple/honey respectively. While his (Fall) brew would be a fig mead. Then he informed us that he would be competing at Sapphire Joust with pomegranate mead, which caused something of a stir.

Baron and Baroness Report-Master James Biblesworth and Baroness Katharine Devereaux: The Baronage is going to attend Sapphire Joust, then her Excellency will attend University, and Storvik Novice Tourney this next month on her own.

Their Excellencies had an open house on Saturday and had lots of fun with those that attended, which was wrapped up by watching movies that had nothing to do with the SCA (movie: Avatar.).

After the event next weekend (Sapphire Joust), the Baron (James) will disappear for a while, because his job requires him to take a class on Saturday. Baroness Katharine will therefore be at the above three events in June as our Baronial representative.

Events:

Sapphire – There are a confirmed 10 tents registered for the encampment. Katharine will speak to the Land-o-crat, Gustof about a good space for our encampment. There will also be a potluck Saturday after court in the Ponte Alto encampment for all those interested.

Emma will be running a raffle at Sapphire Joust for three feast baskets. Everyone was encouraged to go by and see the feast baskets, where they would be displayed in the A&S tent, and to also buy a ticket to support the Kingdom Travel Fund.

A bit of jockeying went on to find extra tent space for Sapphire Joust, for a member of the barony who's tent died last week. Room was found with Kristin I believe, and she was to contact the person in the interim.

Pennsic - Our land agent team for Pennsic consists of Katherine, Bridget and Aslin. Katharine will go up for land negotiation. Bridget's name is the one on the books to register the event. Also, at Pennsic, Tuesday Night will be Ponte Alto's Night for court because Thursday night has been designated Atlantian Court, we did not want to compete with it or Wednesday's midnight madness. Tuesday, therefore, was the best night all around. Also, Pennsic Tuesday night gathering would be a time to decide the Baronial Brewer and all were encouraged to enter.

Also, people who register with the camp are asked to either help set up or take down the encampment and not leave it to a small group of individuals to do the job, that they do every year.

Chalice of the Sun God – The news as to whether we have the encampments hasn't been decided yet. In a tentative inquiry the barony was assured that they don't think there should be a problem. Bel encouraged everyone to think of teams for Chalice of the Sun God, and Baroness Katharine informed us that her team was to be made up of all her champions. Bel then repeated that four categories must have a participant from each team whether it was one person or several people to officially be called a team, and that the categories, were archery, A&S, armor, and bardic. Like last year, they would have a youth category, but this year archery will be included and 1 pt will be awarded for each youth participant, and 2pt would be awarded to youth that wins his competition.

Baroness Katharine pointed out that the Barony of Steirbach, having won the last few years, has bragged and paraded the trophy around while boasting about their successes. This was all in good fun and meant to incite the barony to win it back.

War of the Wings – Baroness Katharine will be the camp administrator again, so we will have an encampment for the barony. Their Excellencies would like to organize and encourage our fighters to support our side by traveling down to the event and supporting them in their first visit to War of the Wings. This year unlike last year we will have a Baronial encampment, and know who we are going to fight for before getting to the event this year

December- Meet Me Under the Bridge – The event budget was discussed. After much talk about what to charge, the autocrat initial settled on \$10. However, when Char (the cook) heard that the food would only get \$100 for a feast that would seat a possible 80 people, she nearly had a heart attack. The autocrat then sat down and crunched the numbers again and we now have a \$12 event fee. This allots \$300 for food, 400 for site/kitchen, which was considered a more satisfactory breakdown.

Ponte Alto Baronial Investiture- Time and date wise, there are scheduling issues going on. Investiture of Bright Hills has moved to the Second Weekend in February. That means Ymir has had to move to the traditional weekend for our Baronial Birthday, Highland Forde and Dun Carraig having already negotiated for the last Weekend in February. The Barony is now left scrambling for a weekend upon which to hold Baronial Investiture. Marcellus suggested that Investiture move to the second weekend in March, when Bloodbath would traditionally be held, so as not to compete with Ice Castles ,when Ymir moves to our weekend. This coined the phrase Bloody Investiture. Some talk ensued about where the event might be held, and the site being considered was Loudon County Fairgrounds because it has an indoor site and enough room for a feast and fighting. They charged last time (quoted price \$2400/negotiated down to \$1400/ but only paid \$700 because of the snow and the site not being plowed) Events usually run \$15. The third weekend in January was suggested as a potential weekend for Bloody Investiture, and it was decided that it would be looked into. Now an autocrat is needed for Bloody Investiture, until then Marcellus is spearheading the spiking of the event.

St. Paddy's Day Bloodbath An autocrat is called for.

Old Business.

Coronets- it was agreed that Bel would talk to Darkridge about pricing out and making coronets and Baroness Katharine would talk to Master Lothar about pricing out and making coronets. It was implied that the two would bring their findings before the Barony at some point

New Business.

Ponte Alto- The cooks guild has been asked to do the Atlantian after court party. Brennan posted/suggested that every barony should submit a table. Pennsic of cooks guild Brennan and Kat. \$450-500 for food was estimated. Can Barony do \$100 for the after party food. No problem, it would be a donation of food. Not money. To the Kingdom. Exchequer said this would probably be ok, but she needed to confirm that. Populace thinks its okay. This is a Baronial thing to support Atlantia.

Announcements.

Thomas of Calais: Just one annoncement for anyone who hadn't heard. My wife (Countess Denise Duvalier) will be on the board of directors. She will be one of two members of the kingdom (Atlantia) who will serve there. [afpopa: another fine product of Ponte Alto] The other member is Valhalric.

Wulfwyn asked to pass info on to us about Evil Dan. He was going to help her with Chalice, and now can't because he moved north and was in a terrible car accident. He's doing ok, considering, but wanted everyone to know.

Dye for fabric. Ryt dye for anyone who wants it. Bel gave it to me to give to the Chancellor of Children.

6:46 p.m. meeting adjorned.

13 people were in attendance.

Seneschal

Greetings to the Barony from Marcellus, your Seneschal.

As was announced in the May Business Meeting, Their Excellencies James and Katherine will be stepping down at the end of their two-year term. I would like to thank both of them for their years of fine service to the Barony.

That being the case, a polling for a new Baron and/or Baroness must be conducted. If anyone is interested in stepping forward to run for these positions, I would ask that they submit a "Letter of Intent/Introduction to the Barony" to me by no later than the July Baronial Business meeting. Those who have submitted their names will be announced at the July meeting, and the letters will be published in the July, August and September II Tempo's so that the populace may become familiar with those who would seek these offices. The polling itself will go out to the populace in October.

There are a few items I would like to bring to the attention of those considering running for these positions.

- 1. It is not necessary to run as a couple. There have been many fine Territorial Barons and Baronesses who have served without a partner.
- 2. If you can, please take time to talk with previous Barons and Baronesses about the requirements, duties, responsibilities, and joys that come with being a Territorial Baron and/or Baroness.

If anyone has any questions about the role of the Baronage, or how the polling process will work, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours in Service,

Baron Marcellus Capoziello da Napoli Seneschal of Ponte Alto

Monthly Calendar

	May/June 2010					
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
May 17 4:30 pm - 8 pm Ponte Alto /	18 6:30 pm - 9 pm Fiber Arts	19 7 pm - 9 pm A&S Night	20 6 pm - 9 pm Indoor Rapier Practice	21 Hidden Mountain Baronial Birthday	22 Hidden Mountain Baronial Birthday	23 Hidden Mountain Baronial Birthday
Stierbach Archery Practice 7:00 Scriptorium	7:30pm- 9pm Alle Psallite		6 pm - 9 pm Indoor Heavy Weapons Practice	7:00 pm to 10:00 pm Cooks Guild Meeting	On Target	1:30-4:30pm Heavy Weapons Practice 6 pm Baronial Business Meeting
24 4:30 pm - 8 pm Ponte Alto / Stierbach Archery Practice	25 6:30 pm - 9 pm Fiber Arts 7:30pm- 9pm Alle Psallite 12:00 pm Articles due for the II Tempo	26	27 6 pm - 9 pm Indoor Rapier Practice 6 pm - 9 pm Indoor Heavy Weapons Practice	28 Sapphire Joust XI & Investiture (R) 6:30 pm - 9 pm Open House at Viscount Eldrid's	*Sapphire Joust XI & Investiture (R)	30 Sapphire Joust XI & Investiture (R) 1:30-4:30pm Heavy Weapons Practice
31 4:30 pm - 8 pm Ponte Alto / Stierbach Archery Practice	June 1 7:30pm- 9pm Alle Psallite	2	3 6 pm - 9 pm Indoor Rapier Practice 6 pm - 9 pm Indoor Heavy Weapons Practice	4 Highland River Melees (R)	5 Highland River Melees (R) Summer Celebration	6 Highland River Melees (R) 1:30-4:30pm Heavy Weapons Practice
7 4:30 pm - 8 pm Ponte Alto / Stierbach Archery Practice	8 7:30pm- 9pm Alle Psallite	9 7 pm - 9 pm Armoring Night	10 6 pm - 9 pm Indoor Rapier Practice 6 pm - 9 pm Indoor Heavy Weapons Practice	11	*Summer University (Pr)	13 1:30-4:30pm Heavy Weapons Practice
14 4:30 pm - 8 pm Ponte Alto / Stierbach Archery Practice	15 7:30pm- 9pm Alle Psallite	16	17	7:00 pm to 10:00 pm New Comers Neeting Tournament Drums of War (R,H)	*Storvik's Annual Novice Tournament Drums of War (R,H)	20 Storvik's Annual Novice Tournament Drums of War (R,H) 1:30-4:30pm Heavy Weapons Practice
21 4:30 pm - 8 pm Ponte Alto / Stierbach Archery Practice	22 7:30pm- 9pm Alle Psallite	23 7 pm - 9 pm A&S Night	24	25	26 Challenge of the Heart Baronial Birthday Stierbach Just a Tourney III Marinus Baronial Birthday	27 1:30-4:30pm Heavy Weapons Practice 6 pm Baronial Business Meeting
28 4:30 pm - 8 pm Ponte Alto / Stierbach Archery Practice	29 7:30pm- 9pm Alle Psallite	30	July 1	2	3	4 1:30-4:30pm Heavy Weapons Practice

^{* =} Baronial Progress

Weekly Activities

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 cancelled. 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

	ment page for school closure status. http://icps.edu/news/emerg.htm
	SUNDAY
Ponte Alto	Fourth Sunday of the month at 6 pm at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Idylwood Road, Falls Church.
Baronial Business Meeting	Baronial Business Meeting (Fourth Sunday of each month, except December) The meeting is at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 7426 Idlywood Rd., Falls Church.
	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 Idlywood Rd. The church is up the hill on the right about 1/4 mile.
Outdoor Heavy Weapons Practice	Weather permitting, Noon - Dark, outdoors at Tysons-Pimmit Park, behind Tysons-Pimmit Library, Falls Church. Contact the Baronial Knight Marshal for information.
	Sunday Fight Practice Directions. Practice is behind the Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library 7584 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church. Take your best route to I-495. Get off at the exit for Route 7 East (Falls Church). The library is on the left about 1 mile. Park in the library lot and go down the hill to the park.
	MONDAY
Ponte Alto/	Every Monday, 4:30 pm - 8 pm
Stierbach Archery Practice	Contact the Archery Marchal at: archery AT pontealto.atlantia.sca.org for further details.
Ponte Alto	Meets the first and third Tuesday of the month at 7 pm.
Scriptorium	Contact Lady Brigid O'Hara (mill3rs AT yahoo. com, (703) 620-4945 (H)) for information and directions.
	TUESDAY
Alle Psallite	Every Tuesday, 7:30-9 pm in Herndon.
(Vocal Music)	Contact Mistress Anne of Carthew (anne AT 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.
Fiber Arts Night	On Hiatus until further notice. (Every Tuesday, 6:30 pm - 9 pm)
	Contact Lady Bevin at snarlingbadger at gmail.com
	WEDNESDAY
Arts and Sciences	Meets the second Wednesday of the month at 7 pm.
/Weaving Night	Weaving night will resume in March on the Second Wednesday of the month at the home of Lord Jürgen van der Vols (Joorkin Volz) (jcfrench AT mac.com), whom you should contact for more information and directions.
Armoring	Meets the fourth Wednesday of the month at 7 pm.
	Armoring night will resume in March on the Fourth Wednesday of the month at the home of Lord Jürgen van der Vols (Joorkin Volz) (jcfrench AT mac.com), whom you should contact for more information and directions.
	THURSDAY
Rapier Practice	Every Thursday at Shrevewood Elementary school from 6-9 pm. Please use the rear entrance to the cafeteria. Contact the Baronial Rapier Marshal for more information. Indoor Rapier Directions. This is a school location activity.
Heavy Weapons Practice	Lemon Road Elementary School on Idylwood Road, 6-9 pm. Practice is geared to developing beginning and intermediate fighters through intensive hands on training with experienced instructors, as well to providing ample opportunity for more advanced fighters to sparr with knight level combatants. All are welcome. Contact the Baronial Knight Marshal for more information. Indoor Heavy Directions. This is a school location activity. MONTHLY
SCA Newcomer Meetings	Newcomer Meetings occur once a month on a weeknight from 7-9 pm at the homes of various members of the Barony.
-	Contact the Baronial Chatelaine for information, or check out the top of the Weekly Activities page for the recently posted information.

Baronial Progress for May/June

Date	Event	Baron and/or Baroness
May 28-31	Sapphire Joust XI & Investiture (R)	James and Katharine
June 12	Summer University (Pr)	Katharine
19-20	Storvik's Annual Novice Tournament	Katharine

May/June 2010 Calendar of Scheduled Events

Date	Event	Group	Location
May 7-9	Hawkwood Baronial Birthday and Investiture (R)	Hawkwood	Arden, NC
8	Atlantian Royal Archer Competition	Sudentorre	Spotsylvania, VA
14-16	Steppingstone Medieval Days	Bright Hills	Havre De Grace, MD
15-16	St. Aiden's Melee College	Storvik	Upper Marlboro, MD
15	Feast of the Saints (Q)	Falconcree	Clinton, SC
21-23	Hidden Mountain Baronial Birthday	Hidden Mountain	Bennettsville, SC
22	On Target	Lochmere	Annapolis, MD
28-31	Sapphire Joust XI & Investiture (R)	Caer Mear	Amelia, VA
June 4-6	Highland River Melees (R)	Highland Foorde	Little Orleans, MD
5	Summer Celebration	Caer Mear	Chesterfield, VA
10-13	Known World Heraldic and Scribal Symposium, 2010	An Tir	
12	Summer University (Pr)	Tir-y-Don	Hampton, VA
18-20	Drums of War (R,H)	Baelfire Dunn	Boonville, NC
19-20	Storvik's Annual Novice Tournament	Storvik	Upper Marlboro, MD
26	Challenge of the Heart	Dun Carraig	Brandywine, MD
26	Baronial Birthday	Stierbach	Manassas, VA
26	Just a Tourney III	Hawkwood	Asheville, NC
26	Marinus Baronial Birthday	Marinus	Virginia Beach, VA

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