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*Dürer's Four horsemen of the Apocalypse*

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# Il Tempo of Ponte Alto

## Ponte Alto Activities

Winter **Archery** season begins at [Bull Run](#) starting **Friday, November 4, 2005 from 4:30 pm until 8 pm**. Contact the [Archery Marshal](#) for more information.

**Sunday Outdoor Rapier Practices** have ended for the year. They will resume in the spring. Indoor Thursday night practices continue through the winter on days when the school is open. Please contact the [Baronial Rapier Marshal](#) for more information.

**Embroidery Night** will be held on **Wednesday, November 30, 2005 at 7:30PM** at the home of the [Baron and Baroness](#).

One of our enthusiastic newcomers, Karen Miller, has offered to host **Scriptorium** on first Tuesdays of each month at 7 pm starting December 6, 2005. Please contact Lady Renata von Hentzau (*starfox5 AT msn.com*) for more information.

There will be no **Newcomer's Meeting** in December. The next Newcomer's meeting will be in January.

There will be no **Business Meeting** in December. The next Business meeting will be in January.

There will be no **Outdoor Heavy Weapons Practices** on **Sunday, December 25, 2005** or **January 1, 2006**, due to the holidays.

There will be no **Indoor Heavy Weapons or Rapier Practices** on **Thursday, December 29, 2005**, as Fairfax County Schools are closed for winter break.

The **15th Century Workshop** for January will be held on a weekend TBD to visit Walters Art Museum in Baltimore, MD. Contact Lady Courtney of Houghton (*courtneydehoughton AT yahoo.com*) and Lord Connor Sinclair (*connorsinclair AT yahoo.com*) for more information.

## SUNDAY

### Ponte Alto Baronial Business Meeting

Fourth Sunday of the month at 6 pm at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Idylwood Road, Falls Church. [Business Meeting](#)  
[Directions](#).

**Outdoor Heavy Weapons Practice**

Weather permitting, Noon - Dark, outdoors at Tysons-Pimmit Park, behind Tysons-Pimmit Library, Falls Church. Please contact the [Baronial Knight Marshal](#) for more information. [Sunday Fight Practice Directions](#).

**Ladies Instructional Heavy Weapons Practice**

First Sunday of every month, Noon - Dark, outdoors, weather permitting, at Tysons-Pimmit Park, behind Tysons-Pimmit Library, Falls Church. Contact Lady Marie Thérèse Normand (***mariatheresapontoon AT yahoo.com***, (703) 690-9453 (H)) for more information. [Sunday Fight Practice Directions](#).

**MONDAY**

**Alle Psallite (Vocal Music)**

Every Monday, 7:30-9 pm in Herndon. Please 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](http://www.ravenstreet.org/Anne/alle_psallite/alle_psallite.htm) and on the [Yahoo Group AllePsallite](#).

**Asian Nights (Exploration of all things Asian)**

Second Monday of every month, starts at 6:30 in Centreville. Please contact Lady Áine Sindradóttir (***ellen.m.davis AT att.net***, (703) 815-0310 (H)) or Lord Ii Saburou Katsumori (***logan AT modzer0.cs.uaf.edu***) for more information or directions.

**TUESDAY**

**Harp and Drum Corps (Instrumental Music)**

Meets first Tuesdays, 7:30 - 9 pm at the home of Mistress Anne of Carthew (***anne AT ravenstreet.org***) for practice and polishing of more advanced musical pieces. Meets third Tuesdays, 7:30 - 9 pm at the home of Lady Celia of Rosedale (***rosedale703 AT aol.com***, (703) 378-2441 (H)) for practice of SCA Dance music. Contact the respective hosts for more information, and visit the [HarpAndDrum Yahoo Group](#).

**Ponte Alto Scriptorium**

Meets the first Tuesday of the month at 7 pm, starting December 2005. Please contact Lady Renata von Hentzau (***starfox5 AT msn.com***) for more information and directions.

**WEDNESDAY**

**All Things 15th  
Century  
Workshops**

Third Wednesdays of every other month from 6-9 pm in Reston, VA, at the home of Lady Courtney of Houghton ([courtneydehoughton AT yahoo.com](mailto:courtneydehoughton@yahoo.com)) and Lord Connor Sinclair ([connorsinclair AT yahoo.com](mailto:connorsinclair@yahoo.com)), whom you should contact for more information and directions.

**THURSDAY**

**Rapier Practice \***

Every Thursday at Shrevevood Elementary school from 6 pm to 9 pm. Please use the rear entrance to the cafeteria. Please contact the [Baronial Rapier Marshal](#) for more information. [Indoor Rapier Directions](#). This is a [school location activity](#).

**Heavy Weapons  
Indoor Practice \***

Lemon Road Elementary School on Idylwood Road, 6 pm - 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](#).

**FRIDAY**

**Ponte  
Alto/Stierbach  
Archery Practice**

Fridays from 4:30 pm until 8 pm, the indoor season archery practice site is Bull Run Regional Park's shooting center. [Archery Practice Directions](#). Practices are jointly held with Stierbach. You may also contact the [Baronial Archery Marshal](#) for carpool or other information. Contact and practice time/location information for Stierbach practices can be found at the Stierbach Archery website: <http://mysite.verizon.net/vze4ks38/archery/main.html>.

**Ponte Alto  
Scriptorium/A&S  
Night**

May meet on a Friday during the month, as posted on the at the top of this page. Please contact Lady Perronelle la peintre ([dwatsonirwin AT cox.net](mailto:dwatsonirwin@cox.net), (703) 455-0298 (H)) for more information and directions.



**Stierbach/Ponte  
Alto Bardic**

Come and share your songs and stories! Meets the fourth Friday of the month at 7:30 pm. Contact Lady Celia of Rosedale (***rosedale703 AT aol.com***, (703) 378-2441 (H)), Lady Cassandra Arabella Giordani (***cassandra AT jordanclan.net***), or Baroness Briana Maclukas (***darbyjanie AT hotmail.com***) for more information.

**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 more information, or check out the top of this page for the most recently posted information.

**Embroidery Night**

Their Excellencies of Ponte Alto host a monthly embroidery night starting at 7:30 pm. Please contact the [Baron and Baroness](#) for more information, or check out the top of this page for the most recently posted 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 cancelled. Notification of cancellation or alternate site location will be posted on the web as soon as possible.

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## Monthly Calendar

December 2005

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
28	29	30	<b>December 1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
		7:30 pm - <a href="#">Embroidery Night</a>	6 pm - <a href="#">Rapier Practice</a> 6 pm - <a href="#">Heavy Weapons Practice</a>	4:30 pm - <a href="#">Archery Practice</a>	<a href="#">Unevent</a>	Noon - <a href="#">Outdoor Heavy Weapons Practice</a> Noon - <a href="#">Ladies Instructional Heavy Weapons Practice</a>
<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
7:30 pm - <a href="#">Alle Psallite</a>	7 pm - <a href="#">Scriptorium</a> 7:30 pm - <a href="#">Harp and Drum</a>		6 pm - <a href="#">Rapier Practice</a> 6 pm - <a href="#">Heavy Weapons Practice</a>	4:30 pm - <a href="#">Archery Practice</a>	<a href="#">Feast of St. Andrew</a>	Noon - <a href="#">Outdoor Heavy Weapons Practice</a>
<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
6:30 pm - <a href="#">Asian Night</a> 7:30 pm - <a href="#">Alle Psallite</a>			6 pm - <a href="#">Rapier Practice</a> 6 pm - <a href="#">Heavy Weapons Practice</a>	4:30 pm - <a href="#">Archery Practice</a>		Noon - <a href="#">Outdoor Heavy Weapons Practice</a>
<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<i>Winter Begins</i> <b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<i>Christmas Day</i> <b>25</b>
7:30 pm - <a href="#">Alle Psallite</a>	7:30 pm - <a href="#">Harp and Drum</a>		6 pm - <a href="#">Rapier Practice</a> 6 pm - <a href="#">Heavy Weapons Practice</a>	4:30 pm - <a href="#">Archery Practice</a>		

<i>Hanukkah</i> / <i>Kwanzaa</i> <b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> 4:30 pm - <a href="#">Archery</a> <a href="#">Practice</a>	<b>31</b>	<i>New Year's Day</i> January 1
2	3	4	5 6 pm - <a href="#">Rapier</a> <a href="#">Practice</a> 6 pm - <a href="#">Heavy</a> <a href="#">Weapons</a> <a href="#">Practice</a>	6 4:30 pm - <a href="#">Archery</a> <a href="#">Practice</a>	7 <a href="#">Kingdom</a> <a href="#">Twelfth</a> <a href="#">Night</a>	8 Noon - <a href="#">Outdoor Heavy</a> <a href="#">Weapons</a> <a href="#">Practice</a>



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## Upcoming Events

**December 2005**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Group</b>	<b>Location</b>
3	<a href="#">Unevent</a> (R)	Nottinghill Coill	Greenville, SC
10	<a href="#">Feast of St. Andrew</a> (R)	Tear-Sea's Shore	Cordesville, SC

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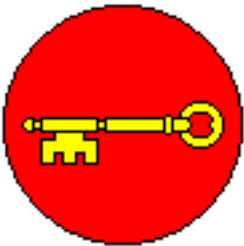
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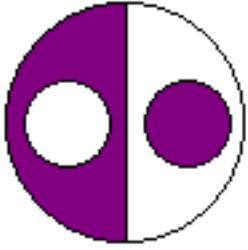
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# **Il Tempo of Ponte Alto**

## **Meeting Minutes - November 27, 2005**

Held at the Education Building of St. Paul's Lutheran Church

25 Attendees

Meeting Start Time: 6:05 pm

### **Officer Reports**

Seneschal: Lady Marie Thérèse Normand

- Thanks to storage unit movers: Bel, Marcellus, Celia, Anne, Millicent, Katherina, Leslie, and our Seneschal - it only took an hour!
- New Minister of Minors needed - consider applying
- All officers should have deputies
- Officers, let Mary know when quarterly reports are filed

MoM: Lady Siobhan

- She will be stepping down in February

Exchequer: Lady Millicent Chandler

- Current balance is \$7042.32 in our account
- DATR II made \$429.46 - includes silent auction
- Ended quarter with \$9040.13
- The 5' x 10' is now too small for our stuff, so we ended up paying \$79/month for 5' x 15' storage unit

Heavy Marshal: Lord Duncan the Elder

- Practices continuing, attendance has been good (except for this Thanksgiving Sunday) - Sir Strykar has been teaching classes
- Injury at practice two weeks ago - Katherina sprained her knee, but she's doing OK - appropriate reports will be filed.
- Duncan will check on the status of Deputy Marshal Christopher Hare's membership/address issues

Rapier Marshal: Lord Geoffrey ap Clywd

- Good turnouts continue at Thursday practices, with 12-15 fencers per practice - Xmas break at the schools is 12/23 through 1/2 - need to check if 12/22 practice will be held or if the school will be closed.

Archery Marshal: Lord Miles de Lochwode

- Lady Arnfriðr has had to resign as Baronial Archery Marshal since she has moved to Ohio for her new job. We will miss her, and wish her well in her new home!
- Lord Miles de Lochwode has stepped up as Archery Marshal.
- Be an Archery Marshal!!! Miles looking for a deputy. Archery classes coming up at University for interested parties
- Lochmere Arrow shoot was held at Holiday Faire - Lord Miles de Lochwode and Sir Thomas of Calais shot as a Ponte Alto team and came in 6th place - The Arrow's new home is Highland Foorde.

#### A&S: Baroness Greta Klusenaere

- A&S classes continue - 15th Century, Embroidery, and generic A&S Nights, as well as Scriptorium
- Courtney and Connor hosting 15th Century nights - every other month, next meeting in January on a Saturday TBD to visit the Walters Art Museum in Baltimore, MD
- Renata hosted Sunday afternoon 2-6 pm scribal workshop on 11/20 - 6-7 people attended, and they did all sorts of scribal-related things
- First Tuesday Scriptoriums will be starting, hosted by a newcomer, Karen Miller, starting in December. Look for direction details on the email list.
- Renata is working to step up as next A&S Officer in February at Tournament of Love and Beauty
- Belphoebe will host Embroidery Night on Wed 11/30/05 at 7:30 pm

#### Chatelaine: Lady Marsaili Johnston of Lockwood Moss

- Baron Marcellus and Baronne Belphoebe hosted last meeting with 2 newcomers
- No newcomers meeting in December due to the holidays

#### Herald: Lord Seamus 'O Maoil Riain

- Lord Seamus 'O Maoil Riain and Lord Geoffrey ap Clywd's names and devices have been submitted to Kingdom
- Working with Saethryth Farsight for name/device
- Lord Connor Sinclair is still tracking the Ponte awards heraldry
- Lady Cassandra Arabella Giordani is now Kingdom Clerk of Precedence

#### MOL: Lady Delphina the Mad

- Countess Denise Duvalier remains the Deputy MoL
- Delphina will be MoL at Tournament of Love and Beauty

#### Chroniclers: Lady Courtney of Houghton and Lord Connor Sinclair

- Il Tempo continues to be published on time
- We need a deputy!!! Interested parties please contact the Chroniclers - the process has been fairly streamlined...step up!!

- Let's see if we can find an enthusiastic newcomer and advertise on the web site, for this and other deputy/officer positions

Web Minister: Lady Cassandra Arabella Giordani

- Added DATR II A&S pictures to the A&S Gallery on the web site (pictures courtesy of Mistress Anne of Carthew)

**Baron and Baroness: Baron Marcellus Capozziello da Napoli and Baronne Belphoebe de Givet**

- DATR II was loads of fun - fierce competition, but no injuries this year - 22 boats
- Thoughts for next year's races are being discussed on the email list
- At Stierbach's Holiday Faire, Baron Marcellus was MiC for Rapier - Baronne Belphoebe won the style competition
- Twelfth Night is coming up - it's local in Dun Carraig
- Also coming up: February University in Berly Court, KASF in Sudentorre, and our own Tournament of Love and Beauty - LOTS of local events, many of them Kingdom events!
- Send in award recommendations, both kingdom and baronial!

**Events**

Day at the Races II: November 12, 2005

Lady Celia of Rosedale, autocrat

- The event itself didn't make money, but the silent auction did. We had 79 folks attend, which was great considering the conflict with KWAR
- Thanks to Master Tirloch for an awesome feast!
- Event reports have been turned in.

Tournament of Love and Beauty: February 18, 2006

Lord Connor Sinclair and Lady Courtney de Houghton, co-autocrats

- Budget going around for review and vote - the budget passed unanimously
- Loudoun County Fairgrounds site - we have the hall and the arena (there is a building in between we don't have)
- Need volunteers - clean up crew (3-5 people), need list fences for in the arena (sources needed, possibly Daffydd!), chiurgeons, feast servers
- The barony agreed not to hold a silent auction at this event, as many other things will be going on
- Activities: Heavy and rapier fighting. New artisan and bardic champions - need competition details from current notables
- Gruffudd will be preparing an English feast, two courses and a dessert
- Please bring banners to decorate the site!
- Low-cost site token ideas needed
- Lunch will be offered by Lady Kim of Wulfshaven to benefit the Kingdom Travel Fund
- A&S and Children's Corner in the hall - need to think about where Court should be held

- Need to provide Merchant information: VA Sales Tax license, no heat in the arena
- Much discussion about which level of the hall to host feast was had, with pros and cons of each - decision will be made by autocrat

Bloodbath: March 11, 2006

Sir Thomas of Calais, autocrat

- Budget should be similar from last year - \$500 - site fee of \$5 - unanimously approved
- Spiked 3/11/06 date for event
- Site can't be reserved until January
- Youth Combat authorized to happen - Kingdom Youth Combat Marshal will run it

Chalice: 2006

Lady Katharine Devereaux, autocrat

- Katharine has agreed to step up as autocrat, YAY!
- We need to choose a date

## **Old Business**

- Events  
The SPIKE system allows us to enter event information out to 2009! Mistress Anne is willing to be a placeholder autocrat and use her church as a placeholder site for February and November events until actual autocrats and sites can be determined. Since the northern regional calendar committee has been dissolved, other groups have already started changing their event dates from their usual scheduled ones. Ponte Alto will SPIKE our events out to early 2007. Anne will SPIKE February and November events, Marie Thérèse will SPIKE our March 2007 event, and Katharine will SPIKE Chalice 2006. Marie Thérèse will coordinate with Stierbach on November dates for Holiday Faire and our event to be neighborly
- Master Ranulf of Waterford and Baron Marcellus had travel thrones ready for DATR II - they ROCK! Ranulf is adding brass feet, and Marcellus will be decorating the leather backs with Baronial arms. But they are now functional and portable!
- Ragnarr Ribcracker reported the finding of almost-finished Ponte Alto baronial cloaks (they just need hemming) in a Stierbach attic, so there are now new cloaks!

## **New Business**

- Should Ponte Alto acquire our own list fences? - Now that we have storage space, let's price out having them made or making them ourselves - Sir Thomas is having personal list fences made by Olaf in Seareach - 48' x 48' area - Olaf would charge the barony \$450 and could probably be ready by March event if we order now. Marie Thérèse will still check on local lumber prices. Sir Thomas' fences should be ready in January and available for the February and March events, and after some information gathering, the Barony will talk more at the January business meeting.
- Lord Miles declares that Pennsic is coming - he has volunteered to be land agent for Ponte Alto next Pennsic. YAY! The Pennsic committee will be starting up early next year. One



goal will be to continue to increase our spiff factor.

### **Announcements**

- Next meeting is Sunday, January 28, 2006
- Duncan still looking for his lent out Marshal's tabard
- There is an unclaimed black velvet cloak left at DATR in Celia's possession - if not claimed soon, it will be added to silent auction wares!

Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:25 pm.

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## Caption Contest



This month's article is to come up with a funny caption for the above woodcut. Please submit your captions to [connorsinclair AT yahoo.com](mailto:connorsinclair@yahoo.com). The results will be posted in next month's "Il Tempo".

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Image: Jacob's Ladder; from the *Speculum Humanae Salvationis*, Augsburg 1477.

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## Officer Reports and Letters



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# **Il Tempo of Ponte Alto**

## **Officer Reports and Letters - Knight Marshal**

Report on Injury Sustained by Fighter Katherina Von Bauer (Tracy) at Sunday afternoon heavy weapons fight practice at Tysons Pimmit Park on November 17, 2005.

During the Sunday afternoon heavy weapons fight practice at Tysons Pimmit Park on November 13, 2005 at about 4:30PM, Katherina Von Bauer was fighting in armor using sword and shield when she stumbled over a two inch ridge of ground just off the pathway which crosses the practice area. She fell, badly spraining her left knee. The attending fighters provided her with ice and ibprofen and after about forty-five minutes she felt well enough to drive home.

I spoke to her at home the following Thursday night. X-rays showed that she did not suffer a fracture. However she had been on prescription pain killers up to that morning when she felt better enough to switch to advil. She was on crutches and would continue to be for about another week. If her pain does not go improve significantly her doctor wants her to do an MRI to look for a torn ligament or cartilage.

As of November 27 Tracy is only using crutches when she needs to be on her feet for extended periods of time to avoid pain in her knee. She is recovering but will probably not be fighting again until January.

Fighters normally do not practice thist close to the walking pathway where some parts of the foundation from the old farm house protrude from the ground and we had not previously detected this ridge or lip (as opposed to the Duke eating hole which is much further out from the path). Fighters will be cautioned to stay away from that area in the future in order to avoid this hazard.

Yours in Service,

Duncan The Elder  
Knight Marshal of Ponte Alto

