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*Happy Holiday's!
May your end of year
celebrations be Bright, Warm,
and full of Joy!
And may your New Year's be
filled with Wonder and Delight!
Be Safe. Drive Responsibly.
I look forward to seeing all of you
in the coming year.*

*Baroness Marie-Therese Normand,
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Chronicler

Greetings Ponte Alto,

I am leaving the office of Chronicler this next year. It has been an interesting two years that has seen many changes to the newsletter and the Chronicler’s office. I hope what little I was able to do made you smile or in some way amused you.

I had fun and though I was not able to do all the things I wanted to do, I think I was able to engage the Barony, encompass the differing aspects that make up Ponte Alto, and keep people informed of what we do. Therefore, for me *Il Tempo* was a success. I hope you will encourage the new Chronicler with your contribution of stories, antidotes, article, and artwork.

My two year tenure was fun. I look forward to doing this again when I have less stress in my real-life. Thank you all and most especially my editors, Flora, Teresa, and Bevin who without which *Il Tempo* would have not been as successful.

Sincerely,
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Society Link to Chronicler forms.

<http://www.sca.org/docs/library.html#releaseforms>

Release form for writing or artwork (except photographs):

<http://www.sca.org/docs/pdf/ReleaseCreativeFillable.pdf>

Release form for model (the subject of your artwork or photograph):

<http://www.sca.org/docs/pdf/ReleaseModelFillable.pdf>

Release form for photographs:

<http://www.sca.org/docs/pdf/ReleasePhotographerFillable.pdf>

Baronial Business Meeting Minutes

November 27, 2011

6:00p.m.

OFFICER'S REPORTS

Seneschal - Baron Marcellus Capoziello da Napoli

New law and policy are online and the announcement for the new laws and policy are in the acorn. Kingdom is still making changes to Law and Policy but the 150 mile rule is now in effect.

Next weekend is Unevent, there will be no order meetings, just officer meetings. Where? S. Md. (Dun Carraig) It will be held at a church and for the first time ever we will be charged a \$5 fee for Unevent. This is to defray the site fee necessary for us to host the event.

Also, Marcellus is getting his warrant renewed for seneschal and we will have him for as long as the barony wants him.

Exchequer - Lord Daniel Warwick

The final income for Chalice, after all expenses, was reported as \$12,135.34. Also reported this month, \$1,000 for 20 Year expenses.

Knight Marshal - Charles the Bull, not in attendance.

Cunian spoke. Mateo is working to get us an indoor site at the VFW for 4 hours for \$50 dollars. \$200 would be due up front as a deposit/payment for the first month in advance and would then be paid out thereafter by the month. The Exchequer (Dan) was asked about the fighter fund. Dan

wasn't sure, but Celia said it was pretty low. Cunian asked them to reopen the fund so people could send in money for it. The fund is open. To contribute to the fighter fund, write a check to *SCA Inc. Barony of Ponte Alto* with a note in the memo line that it should be designated to the fighter fund. At this time the fighter fund has \$16 in it. There was some talk about paying \$20 in advance, so that the month was covered in advance.

There was also some discussion about the size and ceiling height of the site. It's comparable to the gym and lunch room at Lemon Road Elementary. Meaning it's smaller than the gym and larger than the lunch room we now use. Mateo said the ceiling is a little higher than he could reach (he's about 6'4"). He hadn't really checked that out, but will get back to us with that information.

Rapier Marshal - Lord Geoffrey ap Clywd,

Rapier continues, with a lot of new people showing up.

The School will be closed for the holiday and practices will be canceled between Christmas and New Year's.

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

Arts and Sciences - Lady Bevin an Broc Drannach,

Bevin is on her way back from Indiana after the Thanksgiving holiday.

Chatelaine - Lady Caitilin Irruis inghean ui Riada

3 new people, 1 visitor, and 8 regular participants were in attendance at the November Newcomer's meeting. For the December 9 meeting it will be held at Lady Elisande and Lord Walter's residence.

The Newcomers from Chalice want to get heraldry for themselves, and so the herald should expect to hear from them soon.

Herald - Thegn Brénainn MacShuibne.

No business to report

Chronicler - Baroness Marie- Therese Normand

Discussed the transition of the Chronicler's office. Will have the Chronicler's box ready to turn over when the transition happens and will have all the release forms in it. Also, the Chronicler (me) is thinking about putting all the release forms on a CD along with all the issues and miscellaneous stuff that she needed for the office to make it easier to find and archive. Also, as usual we need articles and art work for *Il Tempo* to make it to print every month.

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

Things are up to date.

Minister of the List - Lady Cellach Mór

Nothing to report in barony but she worked at Dun Carraig's Baronial Investiture.

BARONIAL NOTABLES

Warlord – Mistress Cunen Beornhelm,

Hheavy Champion - Lucas von Aych,

Rapier Champion - Lady Caitilín Inghean Fheichín,

Archery Champion - Naran Numuchi,

A&S Champion - Giovanna Rossellini di Firenze,

Bardic Champion - Celia of Rosedale,

Brewing Champion - Aveline Scargill,

BARON AND BARONESS

The Barona and Baroness represented Ponte Alto at Crown - where they witnessed Brian and Brianna become the new prince and princess of Atlantia.

They also traveled north to witness Dun Carraig's Baronial Investiture.

Then they traveled south to Holiday Faire in the neighboring barony of Steirbach - where they took care of outstanding business and passed on a coral branch to Lady Caitilín Inghean Fheichín that they hadn't been able to give her at Chalice of the Sun God - Feast of the Minotaur.

They will be traveling to Unevent next.

In January they will be traveling to 12th Night and have room for carpooling with one maybe two other people.

Also it is tentatively expected that we will have a peerage at Ponte Alto's 20 Year celebration, but nothing has been confirmed yet. However, the Autocrat says there is enough room for 1 (possibly 3) to happen.

EVENT

Ponte Alto 20 Year (2012).

Tirloch said things are going well for 20 Year. 20 banner stands will be made by Marcellus and Geoffrey. Alisia will be doing 20 banners for the stands. The hall will be nicely decorated. However, there is a small oddity to our contract: no glasses may be in the hall (glass items are banned because the site had an incident where someone fell on a glass or a bottle and injured themselves).

The site has a huge kitchen. It has a walk-in freezer, washing station, and several 8 burner stoves.

At this point the coat room is being considered for the Royal room because it is so large. Also, we may look at the section that the kitchen opens out onto because of the size and requirements of event. These are the plans under discussion at the moment.

Bloodbath

Bloodbath is on hold at the moment, but has been spiked. Brénainn has volunteered to cook for the event if we do it.

OLD BUSINESS

Plastic bins: We got tubs and garb has begun to be sorted (3/5 of the clothes bins sorted). We trashed stuff that was too far gone to recover. Got two big tubs and a smaller tub. The smaller tub fits the kids and infant stuff. However, we may need 2 more big tubs and 1 small one eventually. We are looking for lacing cord and may need chemise and skirt? And are thinking at some point we could make skirts and chemises.

Also, discussed was a check out system for the clothes. (mundane name and clothes borrowed) Celia brought up a card system.

Coronets, Adina hasn't talked to Mimi or heard anything about ideas from her yet. So we're just going to let her run with the project for the moment.

NEW BUSINESS

Website security: Demian has a friend that would like to do something for the website security. Lock it down and deal with the back side of the website. So we can have a site just for us. He would do it for free and would only ask to be able to have his name on the by-line so he could use it in his resume/portfolio. Such as picture pages to get use approval, links for forms and websites, and A&S areas. This is all back end stuff. We will check with our web-minister and the Kingdom web-minister to see what difficulties or parameters we must follow.

Event Photo Book: Demian would like to set up an event pictures book, for \$12 - \$20. He would get a by-line and the money would go to the baronial funds.

Chronicler: We are accepting names for the Chronicler's position.

Baronial Winter site: VFW hall is 10 ft. or so with linoleum floors.

Outside parking lot area can be used for fighting. Mateo doesn't think it's a problem. Ball park size on the room. 2 to 3 size of the church room and between the size of the gym and lunch room at Lemon Road Elementary. Contact

person is Mateo. The second Sunday in January is when we want to start. Daniel's asking for a vote in case we don't have the money in the bank on the first of January.

Marcellus made a motion that we approve \$200 for fighter practice (Sundays in January). It was seconded and carried unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Annual Baronial Cookie Bake-off hosted by Wulfwyn at Countess Denise's. December 17, 2011 from 7 to 9 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

19 people were in attendance.



Calendar

November/December 2011						
Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat	Sun
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Baronial Progress for November/December

Date	Event	Baron and/or Baroness
December 3	Unevent	Adina and Drogo
January 2012	Atlantia 12 th Night	Adina and Drogo

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 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.
Ponte Alto/Stierbach Archery Practice	Every Monday, 4:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Contact the Archery Marshal at archery AT pontealto.atlantia.sca.org for further details.
TUESDAY	
Ponte Alto Scriptorium	Meets the first and third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Contact Lady Brigid O'Hara (mill3rs AT 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>

News/Announcements

Newcomers' Meeting

December 9, 2011 Newcomer's Meeting
For the Barony of Ponte Alto

Time: 7:00pm to 10pm

Location:
6729 31st ST NW

Arlington, VA 22213

Hosts: Lady Elisande Walters & Lord Walter von Are

As always Newcomer's meetings are open to everyone old or new. Come hang out, talk, meet new people. Bring a project to work on. If you have any questions or need more information please contact Lady Caitilin Iruis inghean ui Riada, Chatelaine (703) 786-6739. Or if you are lost and need directions please contact Lady Elisande or Lord Walter at 703-241-2143.

No parking restrictions other than not along the yellow curbs.

Allergy Alert: cats - please medicate if necessary

Hope to see you all there.

Yours in service,

Lady Caitilin Iruis inghean ui Riada

Chatelaine

Barony of Ponte Alto

(From Christine Cinowski Menton, email of Dec. 5, 2011; edited for this newsletter)

December Scriptorium Cancellation

Hello all,

I'm going to have to take Dec. off from scriptorium since my choir is practicing on our regular Tuesday nights for our Christmas service.

We'll start back up in January.

Hope to see you all there!
Brigid O'Hara/(Karen Miller)

(From Brigid O'Hara's e-mail of Dec. 5, 2011; edited for this newsletter)

The Ponte Alto Cookie Exchange

The Ponte Alto Cookie Exchange is December 17th at 7:00 pm at the home of Countess Denise and Sir Thomas - 8112 Bard Street, Lorton VA.

We're expecting a big turnout again this year, so there'll be lots of nose-to-nose (and taste-to-taste) competition. Bring your best cookies and have some fun. To make it fair, you must bring a different type of cookie this year than you have in previous years. Cookies DO NOT have to be period, just tasty and plentiful.

There will be prizes for the following categories: Best in Show, Most Original Name, Chocolate, Bar, Fruit and Other (and perhaps a few more surprise prizes) - ohhhh, ahhhhh. And no, I won't be able to supply insulin this year, so you're on your own!

Just remember the folks that might have allergies; if you have cookie with nuts inside, please make a note.

See everyone there!

Wulfwyn

(From Wulfwyn's e-mail of Dec. 5, 2011; edited for this newsletter)



Games

Seek and Find: Fencing Terms

G	P	O	R	P	B	L	A	D	E	M
R	A	D	A	S	A	Z	C	B	N	C
A	T	I	P	F	G	D	H	F	J	L
P	T	I	I	O	P	U	L	O	K	O
P	A	U	E	P	E	E	Y	I	T	A
L	C	Q	R	W	E	L	P	L	R	K
I	K	L	K	J	H	L	A	S	G	F
N	W	Q	A	S	F	O	R	M	S	D
G	U	A	R	D	E	R	R	T	A	Y
F	G	H	J	K	L	P	Y	I	B	U
D	M	S	A	Z	X	C	V	B	E	N
P	A	S	S	F	O	R	W	A	R	D
I	S	U	Y	T	R	E	W	Q	M	A
O	K	P	D	E	F	E	N	D	L	G
H	J	B	U	C	K	L	E	R	K	G
G	F	D	S	A	M	N	B	V	C	E
S	C	H	L	A	G	E	R	Z	X	R

Epee

Schlager

Mask

Tip

Duello

Form

Pass Forward

Defend

Parry

Guard

Attack

Rapier

Grappling

Blade

Dagger

Buckler

Cloak

Saber

Foils