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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 or 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 competed, 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 and is only limited by the speed at which our hands can write what our minds think.

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

Chalice Site/Date Change

The site and date for Chalice of the Sun God X have changed. It will be on Saturday, October 19th at Loudoun County Fairgrounds. More information will be offered in July's *Il Tempo*.

June Newcomer's Meeting

When: June 14th at 7:00 p.m.

Where: Aveline's
20506 Comfort Court
Ashburn, VA

Baronial Business Meeting Location Change Reminder

The June Business Meeting will be at American Bistro, 10407 Main St. Fairfax, VA 22030. They have a small parking lot right next to their building. Should that lot be full you may park across the street at the National Security, Inc. building—it is my office and it is okay to park there. There is also additional public parking in the gravel lot alongside Old Town Hall.

~ Caitilin Irruis inghean ui Riada
Deputy Seneschal



Tidbits from The (Nice!) Troll Under the Bridge

There's a nice little troll who lives under the Ponte Alto bridges. Every once in a while, the troll will pass along anything it overhears while it lurks about.

Maestra Luce posted a challenge to Atlantians on GooglePlus and Facebook, titled No Snark Online Chivalry Challenge. Her desire was to combat snark, cynicism and whining. Folks took up the challenge admirable by posting 5 things celebrating Atlantia or an Atlantian. It was amazing reading everyone's posts and heartening that, while it's easy to type stuff in frustration or anger, it's wonderful to see the wonderful side of the SCA. Vivat Maestra Luce!!!

Another Vivat...for our Youth! Sebastian and Oliver Siltannin (Hannus and Annika's boys) won the Youth Brewing Competition at Highland River Melee's! Another Fine Product of Ponte Alto! Our Youth carry on a fine tradition!!!

A funny posted by Lord Naran on Facebook.... Highland River Melees was fun but. But of course hot. Good to camp with other Pontoons. Doesn't happen too often for me. I was introduced to our newest poison tester . He bears watching. He may know as many Sven and Olie jokes as Ingeborg.

From Sorcha... a great team was assembled for the Fox Mill Elementary School Demo. There will be more to report next month!

Ruby Joust seemed to make a lot of people ill this year. Two were "down for the count" before they event left Ponte Alto; another took ill after eating at Cracker Barrel on the way home. The weather for the weekend may have been beautiful, but I'm glad I missed "the plague".... :)



Ruby Joust at Barony of Caer Mear

Photos by Michael Schneider (Grimkirk Ap Greymoor)



Béibhinn thought something was funny!



Our King Amos and his fair Queen Ysabella hold court at Ruby Joust.



For the first time (I think) there was a joust at Joust!



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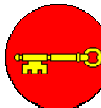
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Arms of entrants in the Tournament of the Golden Rose. Photo by Tamara Brown (Mistress Celia Rosedale).



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Baronial Progress

Date	Event	Barone/Baronessa
8 June	Summer University	Drogo & Adina
19 July—August 3	Pennsic	Drogo & Adina



Baronial Business Meeting Minutes

May 19, 2013

American Bistro
10407 Main St.
Fairfax, VA

Attendance: 14

Start: 6:05 p.m.

Officer Reports

Seneschal—Bob Capozello (Marcellus)

Curia was Saturday, 1 May; (notes were passed around). Of note, polling of confidence- will happen soon, hopefully be mid-June. Reviewed changes to events policy; many things being moved to policy from law. Distance limitation stays however, Seneschals may work it out among themselves to conflict. Symbols of rank/sumptuary laws, likely to go away completely. Queen would like to add a new award (Award of the Sea Star) for anyone who makes great strides in Youth or Newcomer endeavors (not limited to MoM or Chatelaine)

Treasurer—Daniel Bensing (Daniel);

The bank balance is \$9,518.67

Knight Marshal—Jeff Williams (Geoffrey)

Nothing really has happened.

Rapier Marshal—Jeff Williams (Geoffrey)

Rapier continues.

Archery Marshal—Nicholas Freer (Naran); absent

Archery at Ft Belvoir likely going away due to policy changes at Belvoir.

Minister of Arts & Sciences—Kristin Moran (Béibhinn)

Do A&S, tell her about it! Subatai will be a guest calligrapher at Monday's Scribal/A&S. Sewing is 3rd Wednesday of the month at Jennie's.

Chatelaine—Jennie Murphy (Gwenhyfar)

May 10 there were 11 regulars & 2 new folks at Newcomer's. June 14 is next Newcomers' at Aveline's house. May 31, Fox Mill Elementary demo (Sorsha's daughter's school) at 9:00 a.m.

Herald—Matt Torsky (Brennain); absent

Sue is "in training" to be a book herald

Chronicler—Theresa Crean (Theresa)

Do articles, send them to her!

Web Minister—Rachael Storey (Giovanna); absent

Work in progress on the new website.

Minister of the Lists—Kel Dalton (Cellach), absent

No report.

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Baronial Business Meeting Minutes (continued)

Minister of Minors—Eliisa Harman (Annika)), absent
No report.

Baron and Baroness—Stephen and Liza Cicirelli (Drogo and Adina)
No report.

Events

Pennsic (Jul. 19—Aug. 3)

Roxbury Mill and Marinus folks will camp w/Ponte Alto. Luce will take Brennain as protégé on the middle Saturday. Baronial court possibly Wednesday, dependent on Kingdom court.

Chalice of the Sun God X (Sept. or Oct. 2013)—Theresa Crean (Theresa), Event Steward, absent

We've had to switch event sites and date; Loudoun County Fairgrounds, Oct. 19th.

Fall Crown Tournament (Nov. 2013)—Rachael Storey (Giovanna), Event Steward

The site fee of \$1400 went up to \$1680, following up on the why? Deposit increased to \$200 or 20% & \$200 for kitchen. A&S as a challenge -1/2 yard of material (900 square inches) to make *bling!*; make stuff that your persona (to include your persona's family) would/could use, make story about how persona came by the fabric (traded goods for it; was my mother's; etc), account for every inch of fabric (how used), can embellish/ bead/embroider/whatever fabric. HOWEVER, the original fabric must still be in evidence and recognizable as the original fabric. Documentation MUST INCLUDE ORIGINAL COST OF THE PIECE OF FABRIC. All items count as a single entry. Now that CROWN web site is available, will set it up for Fall Crown

Old Business

No report at this time on reviving the College of Saint Stephen's.

Fox Mill Demo, 31 May

Post hole driver - working on it

Coronets - in process, passed around a picture of one that is mostly done

New Business

Drop the July Business Meeting due to Pennsic.

Announcements

Naran won Plague Rat shoot at Golden Rose
Naran took 1st place at Berley Court Beltane
New meeting sites works well :-)

Adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Chronicler's Note: I wish to thank Baroness Adina for taking minutes at the Baronial Meeting! I really appreciate it!

~Theresa



Calendar

June

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
					1	2 1:30 p.m. Outdoor Heavy Weapons Practice
3	4	5	6 6 p.m. Indoor Heavy Weapons Practice 6 p.m. Indoor Rapier Practice	7 On Target	8 On Target Summer University	9 On Target 1:30 p.m. Outdoor Heavy Weapons Practice
10	11	12	13 6 p.m. Indoor Heavy Weapons Practice 6 p.m. Indoor Rapier Practice	14 7:00 p.m. Newcomer's Meeting	15 A Day in the Park	16 1:30 p.m. Outdoor Heavy Weapons Practice
17	18 7:00 p.m. Sewing Circle	19	20 6 p.m. Indoor Heavy Weapons Practice 6 p.m. Rapier Practice	21 Known World Dance Symposium	22 Stierbach's Baronial Birthday Known World Dance Symposium	23 Known World Dance Symposium
24	25	26	27 6 p.m. Indoor Heavy Weapons Practice 6 p.m. Indoor Rapier Practice	28 Storvik Nov- ice & Unbelt Tourney Known World Herald & Scribes Symposium	29 Storvik Nov- ice & Unbelt Tourney Known World Herald & Scribes Symposium	30 Novice & Unbelt Tourney 6 p.m. Baronial Business Meeting



Calendar—Looking Ahead

July

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1	2	3	4	5 King's Assessments	6 King's Assessments	7 King's Assessments 1:30 p.m. Outdoor Heavy Weapons Practice
8	9	10	11 6 p.m. Indoor Heavy Weapons Practice 6 p.m. Indoor Rapier Practice	12	13	14 1:30 p.m. Outdoor Heavy Weapons Practice
15	16	17	18 6 p.m. Indoor Heavy Weapons Practice 6 p.m. Indoor Rapier Practice	19 Pennsic	20 Pennsic	21 Pennsic
22 Pennsic	23 Pennsic	24 Pennsic	25 Pennsic	26 Pennsic	27 Pennsic	28 Pennsic
29 Pennsic	30 Pennsic	31 Pennsic	Aug 1 Pennsic	Aug 2 Pennsic	Aug 3 Pennsic	



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, 1:30 to 4:00 p.m., outdoors at Tysons-Pimmit Park, behind TysonsPimmit Library, Falls Church. Please contact the Baronial Knight Marshal for more information.

Outdoor Archery Practice

Currently on hiatus. Contact Baronial Archery Marshal or check the Barony's Facebook page for dates and times. The Archery Marshal can give you directions to the range.

Monday Alle Psallite (Vocal Music)

Currently on hiatus. Please contact Mistress Anne of Carthew (anne AT ravenstreet.org) for more information.

Music files can be found at: http://www.ravenstreet.org/music/alle_psallite.php and on the Yahoo Group AllePsallite.

Ponte Alto/ Stierbach Archery Practice

5:00 to 7:00 p.m. during Daylight Savings Time. The outdoor practice site is at Grimmsfield, 16132 Crusade Ct., Haymarket, VA 20169. Practices are held jointly with Stierbach. You may contact the Baronial Archery Marshal for carpool or other information.

Wednesday Sewing Circle

Most Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m., alternating between Arlington and Reston. For details and to learn where the next meeting will be hosted, please join the Ponte Alto Sewing Circle Facebook Group, or you may email Lady Elisande at traumspindel AT gmail.com. Fitting questions, research issues and sewing projects are all welcome!

Thursday Indoor Rapier Practice*

Every Thursday at Shreveview Elementary School from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. Please use the rear entrance to the cafeteria. Please contact the Baronial Rapier Marshal for more information. This is a school activity.*

Indoor Heavy Weapons Practice*

Haycock Elementary School at the corner of Haycock Road and Westmoreland Street in Falls Church from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. Practice is geared to developing the beginning and intermediate fighters through intensive hands-on training with experienced instructors, as well as to provide ample opportunity for more advanced fighters to spar with knight-level combatants. All are welcome. Contact the Baronial Knight Marshal for more information. This is a school activity.*

Friday Newcomers Meetings

Once a month, Newcomers Meetings occur from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the home of various members of the Barony. Contact the Baronial Chatelaine or check the Facebook page for the date and host's address.

***= 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 website as soon as possible. You can visit the Fairfax County Public Schools Emergency Announcement page for school closure status at <http://fcps.edu/news/emerg.htm>



Il Tempo Submissions

Everyone is encouraged to consider contributing to *Il Tempo*.

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Society Chronicler forms

[http://www.sca.org/docs/library.html#release forms](http://www.sca.org/docs/library.html#release%20forms)

Release form for **writing or artwork**:

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

Release form for **photographs**:

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

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

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