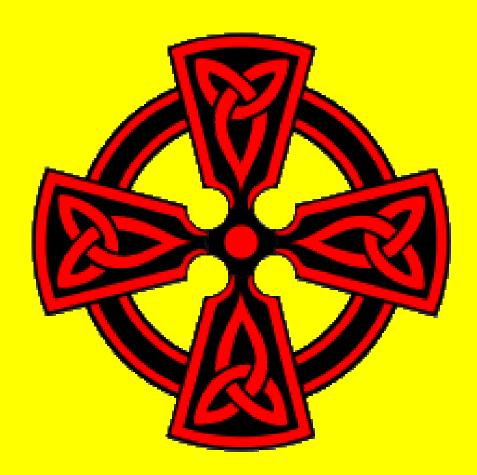


THE BARONY OF PONTE ALTO NEWSLETTER

IL TEMPO

VOLUME 24 ISSUE 3

MARCH 2015, A.S. XLIX



This is *II Tempo* (The Times), a publication of The Barony of Ponte Alto, in the Kingdom of Atlantia, of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc. *II Tempo* is provided at no charge online and is available in PDF format on the baronial website. Printed copies are available from Theresa Crean, chronicler@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org.

Courtesy copies of *II Tempo* are provided to Their Majesties of Atlantia, Their Highnesses, Kingdom Chronicler, the Kingdom Seneschal, the Kingdom Historian and the SCA Archivist in either electronic or paper format as requested. All Chroniclers in the Kingdom are invited to peruse the electronic version posted on the Baronial website.

This newsletter is not a corporate publication of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc., and does not delineate SCA policies. Copyright 2014, Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc. For information on reprinting letters and artwork from this publication, please contact the Chronicler, who will assist you in contacting the original creator of the piece. Please respect the legal rights of our contributors.

Clipart from Wikipedia, royalty-free; used in honor of St. Paddy's Day Blood Bath!

PAGE 2



II Tempo	2
News/ Announcements	2
St. Paddy's Day Blood Bath	4
Regnum	5
Featured Populace Member's Device	6
Ponte Alto Notables	7
Baronial Progress	7
Baronial Business Meeting Minutes	8
Calendars	п
Weekly Events	13
II Tembo	14

Submissions and Links for Forms

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

Newcomer's Gathering

When: Friday, March 20th

Hosts: Lord Grimkirk and Lady Agnete

Location: 4215 Maylock Ln, Fairfax, VA 22033

Time: 7:00 to 10:00 p.m.

Parking: Plenty of street parking

Allergy Alert: none

Accessibility: 100% wheelchair accessible

Newcomer's gatherings are open to everyone old or new. No garb required. Come hang out, talk, meet new people. Feel free to bring a project to work

on.

For those of you who have been to the home of our Baron and Baroness, it may help you to know that Grimkirk and Agnete live directly across the street!

This is an Open House style meeting... arrive when you can.

If you have any questions or need more information please contact the Chatelain, Lady Flora de Bayeaux at (703)-343-3367.





News/Announcement (cont.)

Vivat to the New Baronial Bardic Champions!

At our February event, "Brunch with the Bards", Their Excellencies Drogo and Adina chose their Bardic Champions. Vivat to Hakon (adult) and Celine (youth).













National Gallery of Art Exhibit

Piero di Cosimo: The Poetry of Painting in Renaissance Florence features 44 of the artists painting. The exhibit runs through May 3, 2015 in the West Building, Main Floor Galleries.

For more information, go to http://www.nga.gov/content/ngaweb/exhibitions/2015/piero-di-cosimo.html.













Ponte Alto Singers

Hakon (Milton Weatherhead), the new Baronial Bard, want to generate interest in a singing group. The first meeting is on March 10th. He has started a closed Facebook group, the Ponte Alto Singers. Click on "Join Group" to join and get more information.















St. Paddy's Day Blood Bath

Warriors of Atlantia, hark! As the frozen fingers of Winter loosen their grip, it is time to seize your swords and grasp your shields. Check your kit, work out your kinks, and share in the joy that comes only with the bonds of brotherhood forged during war.

Join your fellow Atlantians at the Annual St. Paddy's Day Bloodbath where the fighting is fierce and the lunch is free. This event is a fighter's dream, featuring our usual bearpit tourney and as many pickups as you can stomach. Heavy and Rapier combatants are all welcome and encouraged to attend.

No A&S activities are scheduled, but non-fighters are encouraged to bring their projects to work on.

SCHEDULE

- 9:00 am Troll Opens
- 10:00 am Authorizations begin
- 11:00 am Bear Pit Tourney (Rapier and Heavy)
- 12:30 pm Lunch Break
- 1:30 pm Bear Pit Tourney resumes
- 4:00 pm Court (may be moved earlier if fighting winds down)

Youth activities may be added to the schedule *if* warranted marshals can be provisioned.

SITE FEE:

Pre-Registered: At Troll:

 Adult, Member: \$6
 Adult, Member: \$8

 Adult, Non-Member: \$11
 Adult, Non-Member: \$13

 Youth (5 - 17): \$5
 Youth (5 - 17): \$6

Child (0 - 4): Guests of the Barony Child (0 - 4): Guests of the Barony

LUNCH: Lunch is included in the site fee.

SITE: Nottaway Park, 9601 Courthouse Road, Vienna, VA 22181. Site is dry. Friendly pets are permitted on leashes. Site is open from 9AM until dusk.

RESERVATIONS: Lady Agnete Köeslin (Sue Schneider), 4215 Maylock Lane, Fairfax, VA 22033. Phone: (570) 970-2755 [NLT 10pm please], E-Mail: herald AT pontealto.atlantia.sca.org

Checks should be made payable to "Barony of Ponte Alto, SCA Inc."

Please note: This is traditionally a *cold* event, so please dress appropriately.



Baron and Baroness

Barone Drogo Rainulf de Dragonera Baronessa Adina von der Heide Stephen and Liza Cicirelli 4214 Maylock Ln Fairfax, VA 22033 (703) 349-6779 (H), no calls after 10 pm baron@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org baroness@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org baronage@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org



Minister of Arts & Sciences

Master Marcellus Capoziello da Napoli Bob Capozello (703) 975-9146 (H) moas@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org



Deputy Ministers of Arts & Sciences

Lady Rúna Hóvmansdóttir Jennie Murphy 703-304-3303 (M) RunaSCA@gmail.com

Seneschal (President)

Lady Caitilin Irruis inghean ui Riada Christine Menton 9824 Fairfax Square, Apt 376 Fairfax, VA 22031 703-786-6739 (C) 703-591-1795 (W) seneschal@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org



Activities

Lady Annika Siltanen Eliisa Harman 703-608-9558 (M) mom@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org eliisaharman@gmail.com



Deputy Seneschal

Master Marcellus Capoziello da Napoli Bob Capozello (703) 975-9146 (H) afpopa@yahoo.com



Lady Agnete Köeslin Sue Schneider 4215 Maylock Lane Fairfax, VA 22033 (847) 209-2141 herald@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org



Chancellor of the Exchequer (Treasurer)

Mistress Celia of Rosedale Tamara Brown (703) 378-2441 (H) celia@ravenstreet.org exchequer@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org



Deputy Herald

Baron Brénainn MacShuibne Matthew Torsky 6608 Netties Lane Unit 1403 Alexandria, VA 22315 (703) 835-1479 (H)

(Continued on next page)

Deputy Exchequer Vacant

Chamberlain

Lady Sophia van der Werken Lisbeth Monroe-Teopaco 3531 Country Hill Dr Fairfax, VA 22030 (703) 901-1866 (H) chamberlain AT pontealto.atlantia.sca.org



Chatelain (Newcomers)

Lady Flora Bayeaux 703-343-3367 chatelain@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org



Deputy for Demos

Warrant pending demos@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org



Annika's loom; she was weaving trim. Photo by Eliisa Harman (Lady Annika Siltanen)



Regnum (continued)

Knight Marshal

Lord Grimkirk ap Greymoor John Michael Schneider 4215 Maylock Lane Fairfax, VA 22033 (847) 910-9138 marshal@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org

Deputy Knight Marshal

Lord Duncan the Elder Duncan Cooper (703) 801-6867 (H) duncancooper@earthlink.net

Rapier Marshal

Lord Geoffrey ap Clywd Jeff Williams 703-980-8369 rapier@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org

Deputy Rapier Marshals

Baroness Catalina dell'Acqua Jennifer Ross akgnome@yahoo.com

Baron Marcellus Capoziello da Napoli Bob Capozello (703) 975-9146 (C) afpopa@yahoo.com No calls after 9:00 p.m. EST

Mistress Belphoebe de Givet Laura Martinez (703) 625-3883 (C) belfebe@yahoo.com No calls after 9:00 p.m. EST

Archery Marshal

Lord Naran Numuchi Nicholas Freer (703) 836-5654 (M) archery@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org

Minister of the Lists

Lady Cellach Mór (a.k.a. Kel) Kel Dalton (703) 655-6660 (H) mol@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org

Chronicler (Newsletter)

Lady Theresa O Cahir Theresa Crean (703) 644-2930 (H) chronicler@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org ladycahir96@yahoo.com

Deputy Chronicler

Vacant

Web Minister

Lady Giovanna Rossellini da Firenze Rachael Storey 14797 Basingstoke Loop Centreville, VA 20120 (240) 743-7355 (M) webminister@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org

Deputy Web Minister

Mistress Cassandra Arabella Giordani Kim Jordan Cassandra@jordanclan.net







Featured Device



Theresa O Cahir

Azure, in pale three bees between flaunches argent.



Ponte Alto Notables

Baronial Warlord

Mistress Cunen Beornhelm warlord AT pontealto.atlantia.sca.org

Baronial Heavy Champion

Baroness Marie Thérèse Normand heavychamp AT pontealto.atlantia.sca.org

Baronial Artisan

Maria Chiara Dantini Mary Dotson *artisan AT pontealto.atlantia.sca.org*



Baronial Rapier Champion

Lady Gwenivere of Ponte Alto rapierchamp AT pontealto.atlantia.sca.org



Baronial Bard

Hakon Milton Nye Weatherhead bard AT pontealto.atlantia.sca.org



Baronial Archery Champion

Lord Naran Numuchi archerychamp AT pontealto.atlantia.sca.org



Baronial Brewer

Lady Rúna Hóvmansdóttir brewer AT pontealto.atlantia.sca.org





Photo by Mary Dotson (Maria Chiara Dantini)

Baronial Progress

Date	Event	Barone/Baronessa
Mar 14	St. Paddy's Day Blood Bath	Drogo & Adina
Mar 28	Tir-Y-Don Baronial Investiture	Drogo & Adina
Apr 4 Apr 11	Night on the Town Coronation	Drogo & Adina Drogo & Adina



Business Meeting Minutes

January 4, 2015 Attendance: 11 Start: 6:00 p.m. St. Paul's Lutheran Church Falls Church, VA

Seneschal—Christine Menton (Caitilin)

Accepting letters for anyone considering to be Baron/Baroness after step down next year. Letters to be accepted through May 15, 2015 to be submitted to Seneschal. The new Kingdom Web Minister is Master Chris.

Exchequer—Tamara Brown (Celia of Rosedale)

Still working Brunch budget reconciliation. Storage unit up to \$199/month, want to look at other places and comparison shop. Looking for a deputy exchequer, ideally someone to take over the position. Quarterly & doomsday reports submitted on time.

Knight Marshal—Michael Schneider (Grimkirk)

Steady attendance increases at Thurs night practice. Abell Sustenance and Marie-Therese organized a small bear-pit tournament last Thursday. It was well attended, including several white belts and His Excellency. Count John won.

Rapier Marshal—Jeff Williams (Geoffrey)

Rapier continues. Don't have practice 3/26 b/c school closed.

Archery Marshal—Nicholas Freer (Naran), absent

Continues; questions, contact Naran.

Minister of Arts & Sciences—Bob Capozello (Marcellus), absent

Sewing on Feb. 19 had 3 attendees; next is Mar. 19 at Lady Runa's. Nallbinding class is Feb. 28 at Lady Runa's, and day of brewing is Mar. 21. Scribal A&S had 2 people, session tomorrow. New Bardic Champions: Hakon (adult) and Celine (youth). New bard started a Facebook group for singing. No entrants for baronial A&S. We will try to reschedule the competition to occur at Bloodbath, may be rescheduled if weather prohibits it. Good showing at University. Lady Runa got her bachelor's and Lady Vadoma taught.

Chatelain—Jerri Lyn Mooney (Flora de Bayeaux), absent

Several new contacts. New people attended Brunch with the Bards. March being scheduled. Reports complete.

Herald—Sue Schneider (Agnete de Köeslin)

Lots of activity—3 names, devices as well. Maria Chiara Datini's name received approval.

Chronicler—Theresa Crean (Theresa), absent

Nothing to report. Thanks to Mary Dotson (Maria Chiara Datini) for taking notes.

Web Minister—Rachel Storey (Giovanna), absent

Several interested in serving as deputies and she is reviewing it.

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

Need an MoL for Blood Bath.

Minister of Minors—Eliisa Harman (Annika), absent

3 children at Page academy and participating in activities. 3 Pontoon youth (Sebastian, Oliver & River) to be inducted in Page Academy, possibly at Crown.

(continued on next page)





Business Meeting Minutes (continued)

Baron and Baroness—Stephen (absent) and Liza Cicirelli (Drogo and Adina)

will be stepping down in 1 year's time. Reviewed Progress. Will be going to Ymir (not taking day shade, sharing with Lochmere, which invites all fighters from Ponte Alto to shade under their canvass as well) and one of their excellencies will attend Kingdom A&S, both will attend Blood Bath and the Tir-a-Don investiture. After advisement from Seneschal and previous Bardic Champion, created a new champion for youth bardic activities. On April $4^{\rm th}$, Drogo fighting for gold scarf. Coronation occurs in the second week April. Need gift basket items.

Events

Brunch with Bards (Feb. 2015)—Mary Dotson, Event Steward

37 attended, event went smoothly except for the weather. Have extra food to pass on to Bloodbath staff, found a men's pair of shoes at the end of the event.

St. Paddy's Day Blood Bath (Mar. 2015)—Michael Schneider, Event Steward

Lord Grimkirk will serve as autocrat, since Lady Vadoma has a work conflict. All is good, post advertisements starting tomorrow. His Highness will attend and Lady Theresa will shadow him. List fence will be used and the Baron will acquire a new rope for it.

Spring Crown (Apr. 2015)—Michael Schneider, Event Steward

Website is up. New lease with first right of refusal for any assets we haven't already rented. Menu approved by their Highnesses. Atlantia Tempore has been announced. Their Highnesses will not have a consort breakfast, but will have a princess dowry basket. Lady Theresa is acting as liaison. All is according to schedule. The subtlety chef is working up a design and will test it over next 3 weeks. Check for ACCEPS sent, still waiting for setup. Acquired tokens. Their Highnesses have requested better event appearance. No modern day shades and no undisguised modern seating at court and day camps. All unhistorical objects should be disguised. The exceptions to this are wheelchairs, which need no disguising. There will be a competition for baronial heraldic displays (regalia/appearance) as shown in day camps. Competition is sponsored by the Barony. Details TBD. Feast: 56 plus 8 at high table. There will be off-board seating available. Check table size/number.

Chalice of the Sun God XII (Oct. 2015)—Martine Martineau, Event Steward

Lady Vadoma will autocrat this event, as Lady Vadoma has a work conflict. Need theme for artisans and organize a largesse dirty dozen.

Baronial Investiture (Feb. 2016)—Stephen, Event Steward

Has been spike'd. We need an event steward!

Old Business

None.

(continued on next page)

PAGE 10



Business Meeting Minutes (continued)

New Business

Maker Faire—March 15 (day after Bloodbath). Maria Chiara Datini needs names of volunteers ASAP, will pitch on FB and email list.

Feb. 28th Demo for cub scouts—looking for volunteers.

Baron Drogo notified the group about a beer dinner at Dogfish in Greenbriar on March 3rd. Theme is ancient ales with feast of kings. The restaurant has asked us to wear garb if we choose to attend (no discount). Proceeds will to Wounded Warrior Project.

Announcements

The Baroness is making banners for anyone competing at Crown Tournament. Competitors from the Barony should notify her ASAP if they plan to compete (if they haven't already done so).

Next month's business meeting will occur in the crypt. May through summer meetings will take place upstairs in the other building.

Adjourned at 7:14 p.m.



There were a few guests at Brunch with the Bards! Photo by Mary Dotson (Maria Chiara Dantini)



Calendar March

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
*=times and location may vary; please email or call the point of contact in "weekly Events."	+=weather permitting. **= if needed. Look for a message on the Baronial email list.					1 12:30 p.m. Outdoor Heavy Weapons Practice* Archery*
2	3	4	5 6:00 p.m. Heavy Weapons Practice 6:30 p.m. Rapier Practice	6	7 Kingdom Arts & Sciences Festival	8 12:30 p.m. Outdoor Heavy Weapons Practice* Archery*
9	10	11	6:00 p.m. Heavy Weapons Practice 6:30 p.m. Rapier Practice	13	14 St. Paddy's Day Blood Bath	15 Gulf Wars 12:30 p.m. Outdoor Heavy Weapons Practice Archery*
16 Gulf Wars	17 Gulf Wars	18 Gulf Wars	19 Gulf Wars 6:00 p.m. Heavy Weapons Practice 6:30 p.m. Rapier Practice 7:00 p.m. Sewing Circle*	20 Gulf Wars Newcomer's Gathering 7:00-10:00 p.m.	21 Gulf Wars Seven Hills Skirmishes (Black Diamond) Archery Gear Day 1:00-4:00 p.m.	22 Gulf Wars 12:30 p.m. Outdoor Heavy Weapons Practice & Potluck+ Archery* 6:00 p.m. Baronial Business Meeting**
23 6:30 p.m. Scribal/A&S Night	24	25	26 6:00 p.m. Heavy Weapons Practice No Rapier Practice	27	28 Defending the Gate (Sudentorre)	29



Calendar–Looking Ahead April

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
*=times and location may vary; please email or call the point of contact in "weekly Events."	+=weather permitting. **= if needed. Look for a message on the Baronial email list.	1	2	3 Night on the Town (Lochmere)	4 Night on the Town (Lochmere)	5 12:30 p.m. Outdoor Heavy Weapons Practice* Archery*
6	7	8	6:00 p.m. Heavy Weapons Practice 6:30 p.m. Rapier Practice	10	11 Coronation (Wind- master's Hill)	12:30 p.m. Outdoor Heavy Weapons Practice* Archery*
13	14	15	6:00 p.m. Heavy Weapons Practice 6:30 p.m. Rapier Practice	17	18 Tournament of the Golden Rose	19 12:30 p.m. Outdoor Heavy Weapons Practice Archery*
20	21	22	6:00 p.m. Heavy Weapons Practice 6:30 p.m. Rapier Practice 7:00 p.m. Sewing Circle*	The Sequel: Revenge of the Stitch (Spiaggia Levantina) Gemutlich- platz (Isenfir) Blackstone Raid (Aethel- marc)	25 The Sequel: Revenge of the Stitch (Spiaggia Levantina) Gemutlich- platz (Isenfir) Blackstone Raid (Aethel- marc)	26 12:30 p.m. Outdoor Heavy Weapons Practice & Potluck+ Archery* 6:00 p.m. Baronial Business Meeting**
27 6:30 p.m. Scribal/A&S Night	28	29	30			



Weekly Events

Sunday Ponte Alto Baronial Business Meeting Fourth Sunday of the month at 6:00 p.m. Please check the Barony's email list, Facebook page, or contact the Seneschal for the meeting location.

Outdoor Heavy Weapons and Rapier Practice

Weather permitting, 12:30 to 4:00 p.m., outdoors at Tysons-Pimmit Park, behind Tysons-Pimmit Library, Falls Church. Please contact the Baronial Knight Marshal for more information or check the Barony's Facebook page before you go to ensure that fighters will be gathering.

Outdoor Archery Practice Check the Barony's Facebook page or contact Baronial Archery Marshal for dates and times. The group has been practicing at Lake Needwood most Sundays, and at Ft. Belvoir on alternate Sundays. Check the Barony's Facebook page. The Archery Marshal can give you information and directions to the range.

Monday

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.

Scribal/A&S Night

Held the Monday night after the Baronial Business Meeting—date vary. Currently held at the home of the Baron & Baroness (4214 Maylock Ln Fairfax) and begins at 6:30 p.m. Bring calligraphy, illumination, and any A&S projects—or come to chat!

Thursday
Indoor Rapier
Practice*

Every Thursday at Shrevewood Elementary School from 6:30 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* Lemon Road Elementary School 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.*

Sewing Circle Third Thursday of each month. Meets at Lady Rúna Hóvmansdóttir's (Jennie Murphy). Please call or e-mail for start time and directions (703) 304-3303 (M), RunaSCA@gmail.com; check the Barony's Facebook group for any last-minute rescheduling or cancellations.

Friday Newcomers Meetings Once a month, Newcomers Meetings occur from 7:00 to 10:00 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*.

Il Tempo is a publication of the Barony of Ponte Alto, of the Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA), Inc. Please send submissions to:

Lady Theresa O Cahir (Theresa Crean) 7731 Carrleigh Parkway Springfield, VA 22152 ladycahir96@yahool.com or Chronicler@PonteAlto.Atlantia.SCA.org

Please, remember that all submissions for *Il Tempo* must be accompanied by an SCA release form. Below are the links to the necessary forms. The first link leads you to the Society Chronicler's links for forms. The last three links are for the forms that can be submitted online via Internet Form Fills.

Society Chronicler forms

http://www.sca.org/docs/library.html#release forms

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