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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/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 completed - 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 - only limited by the speed at which our hands can write out what our minds can think of.

Come, share with us adventures in the great Barony of Ponte Alto, in the grand Kingdom of Atlantia, in this - the current Middle Ages!

ARTS & SCIENCES IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Ponte Alto Cooks Guild

FOOD WARS Episode VI: Return of the Cooks Guild!

The Ponte Alto Cooks Guild is back in action and currently meeting 1-2 times a month. One meeting will be in Fairfax at Ponte Alto Scribal and A&S night. The other meeting will be at hosted at rotating locations.

While the Ponte Alto Cooks Guild is getting its feet back under itself some of the meetings may be about strategies or research. Since we are trying to reinvigorate and reinvent, suggestions will be welcome, particularly concerning expectations of the Guild.

If you are interested in joining the Guild, please contact Meisterin Adia von der Heide at adinavdh [AT] gmail.com



Populace Meeting Minutes

June 23, 2019 5:48 pm Adjourned at 6:39 pm 13 attendees Mosaic Community Space 2985 District Avenue, Suite 100 Fairfax, VA 27584

OFFICER'S REPORTS

Seneschal - Dwayne Eckman (Lord Seamus Ó Maoil Riain)

- Reminder about location for the Populace Meeting. Changes to time and location need to go through the Seneschal. Changes will be advertised via list and website (calendar) as the official means of communication. Not all folks have access to Facebook, so Facebook can only be used an augment to the official communication methods.
- Seamus asked that anyone spotting a person being discourteous to a newcomer to let him know. We do want to maintain an inviting disposition to all newcomers.
- A suggestion was made about advertising whether garb and/or feast gear is needed for events. The barony does have loaner feast gear.

Exchequer - Seamus for Katie Bischoff (Astrid)

- ♦ Current balance of \$10,531.23
- ♦ Still need a new Exchequer!
- Vadoma is also a signatory and will need to be replaced. Colette volunteered to replace Vadoma.

Arts and Sciences - Marlene Martineau (Vadoma) via email

- I'm, once again, out of town the weekend of the business meeting. This month I'm in Atlanta, GA teaching at the Known World Costume and Fiber Arts Symposium. Fun times.
- Real life has upended my life and all plans to increase the Arts and Sciences in Ponte Alto have vanished, for which I offer my sincerest apologies. Please take advantage of Scribal A&S nights hosted by Meisterin Adina and Garb Workshops hosted by Mistress Drea. Also, please take advantage of all the wonderful A&S opportunities hosted by our wonderful neighbors.
- And please consider advancing our A&S in ways I cannot by becoming the Barony's next Minister of Arts and Sciences. You will love it.
- Additional updates from Adina
- ♦ A&S tomorrow night at Adina's & Cook's Guild as well
- Garb workshop by Drea
- Mid-month Cook's Guild to be scheduled



Populace Meeting Minutes (cont.)

Herald - Sarah Stango (Johanna le Paumer)

- 1 new device and 1 new name in commentary
- ♦ 1 device resubmission

Chatelaine - Mary Dotson (Maria Chiara Datini)

- Makers Faire event went really well! Same number looked into us as last year. Many kumihomo kits. 17 sign-ups.
- No host newcomer's meeting this month (hence no meeting took place).
- Mary will be hosting the July meeting.
- Looking for a volunteer for the August meeting.

Minister of Minors - Eliisa Harman (Lady Annika Siltanen)

♦ n/a

Chronicler - Ron Hanagan (Rónán mac Ímair)

Updating officers (Knight Marshal and Rapier Marshal)

Web Minister - Ron Hanagan (Rónán mac Ímair)

• Updated calendar for summer Thursday Heavy and Rapier practices.

Knight/Rapier Marshal - Brittany Lasley (Colette Vitalis)

- Summer practices have moved to the park.
- Marketing. Colette would like to do something for marketing. Does graphic design. Adina suggesting running anything by the Kingdom media relations officer.
- Rapier: new armor acquired. Will be updating the list of loaner gear.
- Will provide numbers for Pennsic, Heavy and Rapier fighters.

Baron and Baroness - Nicholas Freer & Mary Bowles (Naran Numuchi & Marie-Therese Normand)

- Attended: Highland River Melees, Trial by Fire (Naran), University (MT),
 Scarlet Guard (Naran), Old School War Practice (OSWP) (MT)
- Will be attending: Storvik Novice Tourney, King's Assessment, Pennsic War
- MT reported that University was well attended! A dozen Pontoons there.
- MT learned new stuff at OSWP for both rapier and heavy.
- If folks go to events attended by their Excellencies, please see Marie-Therese for button.



Populace Meeting Minutes (cont.)

Events

- Pre-Pennsic Planning meeting took place today. The baroness wants: no accidents, no drama, no heat stroke, no crud!
- Their Excellencies plan to attend the champions events for Heavy (MT), Rapier (both), and Archery (Naran).

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Old Business

♦ n/a

New Business

- (Mary) On schedule for Yule event. New idea this year: Murder Mystery!
 Trying to find a better deal for location.
- (Henry) Discussion about loaner gear for Heavy. \$200 for a new helmet, estimated. Have a helmet in loaner gear now, but it's too small. Marie-Therese indicated there should be three in the loaner gear that need work (two of them may not be the right gauge and not big enough). Drogo can fix stuff. Henry suggested there should be at least two. One large, one small. Colette brought up budget for loaner gear for heavy. \$450 was suggested. Need to put together more detail for estimate. Colette and Henry to consult and update at the next meeting. Used helms an option, but not usually available and not large enough. (MT) Need to do a better job of getting stuff back. (MT) A molds for a plastic set of armor is in the works.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Social Media Officer to take responsibility for setting up invites on Facebook.
- ♦ Next meeting 7/21 at Mosaic Center.

Events

Wild Hunt

- Adina reporting. Vadoma reached out to Lady Ailleann for updates. Will be reaching out to the church to make sure we've got the date location locked in.
- Naran suggesting adding a spear-throwing event.
- Adina mentioned the possibility of jugglers. A focus on comedia. Developing the event like a faire experience. Fire sticks? Geoff does them.



Wild Hunt

The Wild Hunt is Coming!

As the beauty of the autumn deepens, as the air cools and shadows grow longer, the Huntsman's horn sounds yet again, calling all to beware - beware or be assimilated by the Wild Hunt!

Once more, the Fey and Fell Master of the Hunt is coming to claim his lands, and attempt to capture — through challenge or games of skill or chance — all those who trespass upon his favor. Will you becomes another of the Master's loyal hunters? Or will you, through skill or luck, escape the clutches of the Wild Hunt?

Come join our Barony of Ponte Alto as we experience an exciting day of Fighting, Arts, Games and Challenges. Last year there was a prize for those who escaped the Hunt, but this year, there will also be a prize for the most successful Hunters, who assimilate the most people INTO the Hunt after they must join the Hunt themselves. So if you lose a challenge and join the magnificent Hunt, you may still earn renown, challenging all who still run free!

Armored Fighting: Stay tuned for heavy combat scenarios

Rapier: Stay tuned for rapier combat scenarios

Rock-Paper-Scissors Fighting: We mention this here, because you must be certified to fight. Each form of the game, Rock, Paper, and Scissors, must be separately certified in before you can use them against others. You'll get a card for each form you can use. Certifications will run all day at the MoL tent.

Other challenge games include:

Bean-bag cross-bow cornhole

Padded spear toss

The Balance Platform game

Tug-of-War

And, of course, anything else you can think of. Dancing, puns, arm wrestling, foot races, headstands: anything the challenger and challengee agree to try.





We will have a Games Tent set up with board games to relax with — and to use in Hunt challenges!

A&S Competitions:

Returning this year will be the Mini-Iron A&S Challenge! You will be given a box of materials to craft into anything you desire, within a time limit.

Show off your Best Fix for a Mistake in our second competition. Bring any projects from the past or present where you really messed up, and impress us with how you tried to make it right (even if the fix didn't work)!

Autumn Food Fight! Bring your best cool weather cooking to add to our harvest table. We will be judging in three categories: Huntsman's Fare, Vegetables, and Desserts. Tell us how your entry fits into the category you choose. Feel free to be creative.

Bardic Fyt:

It's the perfect time of year for spooky stories, especially those that tell of lucky -- or unlucky -- dealings with the Fair Folk. All who enter will be rewarded, and those who spellbind us with the most medieval of performances (no mention of the modern, no papers in hand) will gain special favor.

Merchants are very welcome, however, this is an outdoor event, and as such, all merchant spaces are outdoor spaces. Please be prepared for whatever weather we'll have, and please contact Lady Ailleann with space requirements.

If you have any questions, please contact the autocrats: Lady Ailleann O'Meighan/Meghan Sherrill (thedragonhand at gmail.com), or Marion Compton/Emily Shifflett (marion.comptonSCA at gmail.com)



Baronial Openings!



It seems like the barony is always in need of more deputies, however our barony has two offices that will need new officers before the year is out!

Our Exchequer's warrant expires this fall! The Barony is in need of a new Exchequer! (And our deputy can't step up into the role, because she's leaving the area!)

Those who might be interested in supporting the barony in this role, will need to take the Exchequer 101 and 201 classes. They are available at University!

This is a vital role for the barony!

If you might be interested in taking on this challenge, or learning more, please contact our Seneschal!

Also! Rumor has it, the barony will also be needing a new Minister of Arts and Sciences come this fall!

A&S is an important part of the SCA, and the barony needs someone to fill those shoes!

If you might be interested in helping grow the A&S of the barony, please contact the Seneschal (or attend one of our Populace Gatherings) for more info.



Weekly/Monthly Events



SUNDAY

Populace Gathering (and Business) Meeting, usually the <u>4th Sunday</u> of the month at 5:00 p.m. at a location to be determined. Details will be advertised prior to the meeting. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Outdoor Heavy Weapons

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). (cancellations posted on the Ponte Alto e-list)

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.

Ponte Alto Dance Practice

6pm-8pm, dance practice with Lord Randall <u>every Sunday save the 4th</u> which is the Populace Gathering. For more information, contact Randall Clark via dancing@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org Unitarian Universalist Church of Reston. 1625 Wiehle Ave, Reston, VA 20190.

MONDAY

It is the day after the populace meeting, most always the 4th Monday, 6-10pm Fairfax, 22033 (contact chronicler@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org for address; cancellations posted on the Ponte Alto elist). Not to worry, any Arts and Sciences projects are welcome. Allergy alert:: cats.

Stierbach/Ponte Alto Archery Practice

Summer practice, held at Grimmsfield. 16132 Crusade Ct. Haymarket, VA 20169. 5:00pm until dusk. Loaner equipment available (please contact archery marshals)!

THURSDAY

Heavy Weapons	
Practice	

Summer, outdoors at Tysons-Pimmit Park, (see Outdoor Heavy Weapons and Rapier Practice above). Winter, Lemon Road Elementary School cafeteria (7230 Idylwood Road, Falls Church), weather and school events permitting (cancellations posted on the Ponte Alto e-list)

Rapier Practice

Summer, outdoors at Tysons-Pimmit Park, (see Outdoor Heavy Weapons and Rapier Practice above). Winter, Shrevewood Elementary school cafeteria (7525 Shreve Rd, Falls Church), 6:30pm-9pm (cancellations posted on the Ponte Alto e-list)

Projects Night

<u>1st Thursday</u>, private residences. Address will be posted on a private site (Facebook: Ponte Alto Arts & Sciences) to preserve the privacy of the hosting sewer. If you'd like to host or don't have a Facebook account and need the address, please contact Vadoma (mka Marlene Wells Martineau) *moas@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org*.

FRIDAY

Stierbach/Ponte Alto Winter Archery Practice

Winter practice, held at Bull Run Archery Center. 7700 Bull Run Dr, Centreville, VA 20121. 5:00pm until 7:00pm. Loaner equipment available (please contact archery marshals)!

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 (chatelaine@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org), 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



Baronial Progress

Baronial Progress for July/August	
Date	Event
7/26-8/11	Pennsic War (Marie-Therese & Naran)

We really could use your help

There are several positions in our Barony that could use a Deputy; actually, all of the positions that we have could benefit by having at least one deputy.

Why a Deputy? Well, it is easy for any one of us to intend to do something if we don't take into account that the SCA is what we do with our time after we are finished doing what we do to pay the bills.

With deputies, the work load can be shared, allowing more work to be accomplished with less time and stress for any one individual.

Besides, it is a great way to work with others to do something different to help make your, and other's, SCA experience that much better!



Ponte Alto Notables

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Alto

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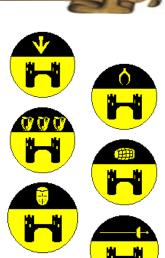
Heavy Champion: <u>Heinrich von Holstein</u> heavychamp@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org

Rapier Champion: Bryn Tannahill

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Warlord: (vacant)

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Looking for a way to get involved? Why not try retaining!

What is retaining?

Their Excellencies need help with taking notes (e.g. for gifts or to-do stuff), staying hydrated, reminders to stay on schedule, fetching things, and otherwise keeping Their Excellencies comfortable and out of trouble (especially the Mongol one)!

Who can retain?

Anyone can retain! If you've got free time at an event, Their Excellencies will be very appreciative of your assistance. Plus it's a great way to learn more about what it means to be part of the pageantry of the SCA!

How can I volunteer?

If you are interested in volunteering, or even just finding out more, reach out to our head retainer, Diego Diaz Montanes at headretainer@pontealto.atlantia.sca.org

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