



Barony of Red Spears

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OYEZ! OYEZ!
Missives and Meeting Notes

Hello Red Spears,

It's February already and we are starting to see an uptick in things being planned for the fall. We can't help but be excited to spend time with you all in person when we can. That can be a chat, a hug, or even a fight, we just look forward to being surrounded by the spirit of the SCA in person.

Marcos recently had a chance to attend the Flaming Gryphon court where the new successors to the Baronial Seat were announced. Sir Timothy the Just and THL Elizabeta were chosen to take over for Baron Edward and Baroness Allegra. We wish them the best and look forward to working with them in the future. To Edward and Allegra, we send out best wishes and thanks for a job well done during their tenure. Investiture will be at a time and place to be determined by Their Royal Majesties when in person events resume.

Also, another of our neighbors is preparing for a new Baronial Seat. Shadowed Stars just recently concluded its polling process and now await the announcement for successors from Their Royal Majesties. We know many of the candidates out there so we are excited to see which of these amazing couples are chosen.

Thank you all for attending our first full court this month. It was amazing to reward and honor service to the groups. We know that we do not do the jobs for awards and for accolades but the best part of this position is recognizing those that do amazing work. We still need help recognizing others and we are beginning to put a court list together for a court in the late spring (probably May time frame) but we would like to work on getting an awards list together and give our scribes plenty of time to create amazing art.

Coming this month, we are looking forward to the Virtual Val Day and The Investiture of the Barony of Eplaheimr in Ireland (Kingdom of Drachenwald) and our very own Baron's birthday. If you have other events you think we should attend please share them with us!

Yours in service,

Proconsul Marcos and Proconsula Bianca,

Baron and Baroness of Red Spears

Barony of Red Spears Court and Business Meeting Notes from 1/17/2020

Baronial Court of their excellencies of the Barony of Red Spears, Marcos and Bianca
January 17, 2021, AS LV (Anno Societatis 55)

Court started at 1:10pm (17 connections, some with multiple attendees)

Baron Marcos: Welcome and greetings for the new year. Compliments are coming in from other groups on our digital presence.

Herald (Guillaume Gallantini): Open court. Note on this postponed court: the dates will be recorded as 1/16/2020 AS LV

Artemesia Volera – Award of the Boars Heart	for many areas of service
Phaedra O’Hagerty – Order of Boars Bane	for multiple offices and web presence this year
Heather - Order of Boars Bane	for running virtual Yule Feast, and other service
Deorsa Ker – Commander of the Boars Bane	for rapier marshal, seneschal, and other service
Mary Ker – Order of Boars Bane	for chronicler and other service
Veoreos Miklos - Award of the Boars Heart	for seneschal and other service
Aislin de Tanat - Commander of the Boars Bane	for armored marshal for barony
Dorothea de Beckham - Order of Boars Bane	for chronicler, Yule Feast, bardic community
Sivrid Brumbach - Order of Boars Bane	for fighter marshal, teaching and training
Angelique de la Rochelle – Award of the Board Heart	for service and scribal arts

Thank you to the Scribes for today’s award scrolls: Valya Abnikova Doch', Penelope Dracos, Nissa Gullriddari, Angélique DeLarochelle, Úlfrún Barefooted, Caryn of Cynnabar, Iosobail Mhic Leoid

Angelique’s message: contact her so your scroll can be sent out.

Hedwig’s message: Announcing the Baronial Bakers’ Dozen Challenge results: Talk to her for delivery logistics. There were 10 entries with three of those from Artemesia Voltera. The other entrants were Hedwig Hefner, Faolana Bayn, Lilith Morningstar, Arina Aldea, Phaedra O’Hegerty, and Dorothea de Beckham. 33 votes, winner Artemesia for pyrograph box.

Closing messages. Court ended at 1:37 pm

BARONIAL BUSINESS MEETING

Seneschal Veoreos Miklos opened the Baronial Meeting 1:39 pm, 1/17/2021

Roll Call of Officers: Present: Seneschal, Exchequer, Chronicler, Web Minister, Canton seneschals

Seneschal

For the position of Deputy Seneschal, Arina is stepping up with paperwork in process. Review of the November meeting Minutes had no additions or corrections. Thanks were given to Phaedra for facilitating the web presence in 2020 for the barony and cantons. Thanks for Yule Feast team.

Exchequer

Account balance as of 12/31/2020 was \$8149.90 with the following line items: General Fund \$3243.52, Baronial Cook’s Guild \$36.96, Children’s Fund \$125.50, and account balance from Cattenden \$4,761.45 (the former Caton of Cattenden monies will be held in reserve for the future re-formed group for one year from the time SCA resumes official in-person activity.)
Vote: Aislin to be deputy exchequer – unanimous approval.

Web Minister

There is a new website thanks to the kingdom server change that is now on wordpress. Thanks to Marguerite and Bill for their role in the changeover. Site is now secure. New contact form has been implemented. Slowly updating the OP. Use the web minister email for any comments, updates, broken links, issues, questions. Moving to having the Marshes hosting their own Thursday zoom meetings and preparing for re-opening later in the year.

Fjord Seneschal

We have gotten the OK/permission for forms to be digitally signed due to Covid. New officers: Rolf for chatelaine, Sivrid for MOAS, Konrad for Herald. MOAS email is not yet working but the others are. Yule Feast went well, around 50 in attendance through the day, and everyone enjoyed the bardic and is looking forward to more.

Chronicler

The November minutes are posted on the baronial webpage and in the December newsletter. The baronial web page has the new Spearpoints, and email the chronicler @ redspears.org with fun things so they don't get lost on Facebook.

Seneschal's note for absent Marshals and other officers: Go do stuff. Take care of yourself. Sivrid has been posting classes, training and other resources to use right now.

- Herald - This position is still open.
- Heavy Marshal – not present
- Archery Marshal - not present
- Thrown Marshal - not present
- MOAS – not present
- Chatelaine – not present
- Youth – not present

Marshes Seneschal

Aislin de Tanet will be stepping down, and Justin will be stepping up as Seneschal. Thanks were given to everyone who stepped up to keep things going during Covid.

Konrad: Hosting fee for redspears.org is due soon. Nate moved to vote for the barony to pay the domain hosting fee; Phae second; approved.

Baron's officer report: TRM are happy with how SCA is going inside the kingdom and that people have been able to come together during Covid, but they need award recommendations now. BRS also needs award recs. Coming soon: appreciations for TRMs from the baronages, so keep an eye out for this on social media.

Date for next baronial meeting: Feb. 20th, 3 pm
(moved to not conflict with Virtual St. V Day massacre and TRM royal court the weekend of 2/13)

2:16 pm meeting adjourned

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Gatherings and Whatnots Baronial Calendar

Covid plague pandemic protocols are still in effect. Official in-person meetings, events, and fighter practices are suspended until June 1, 2021. That is not to say that nothing is going on through virtual means on various platforms, hence the title of this column: "whatnot" (n.) an item not identified but similar to the item already named.

Check the Baronial webpage (<https://redspears.midrealm.org/announcements/>) or Baronial Calendar (<https://redspears.midrealm.org/calendar/>) for on-line meeting log in details:



The Barony of Red Spears (NW Ohio)

Next Baronial Zoom Meeting: Saturday, February 20, at 3 pm



The Canton of Hrothgeirsfjodr (Toledo)

8 pm Tuesdays – Fjodr’s Zoom Meeting

Meeting and Class Schedule:

1/19/21: Schmooze

1/26/21: Arts and Sciences Roundtable

2/2/21: Business Meeting

2/9/21: SCA After Covid Roundtable discussion - THL Artemisia Voltera

2/16/21: A brief History of Medieval Astronomy - Lord Jon Chesey

2/23/21: SCA equestrian 101 (How can I get started doing cool stuff with those horse people over there) - Sir Sato Jiro of the House of Kuji

3/2/21: Business Meeting

3/9/21: Introduction to Midrealm army command - Sir Thorin Eikskjald, Midrealm General

3/16/21: Beginner's guide to making coins - Baroness Bianca



The Canton of Marche of the Marshes (Bowling Green)

8pm Thursdays – Marche’s of the Marshes – **FEBRUARY MEETINGS ARE MOVING TO THE BARONY DISCORD**

The proto-Canton of Cattenden (Findlay region) will be hosting classes and informal meet-and-greets this winter. Watch social media or contact TH Isibel Mhic Leoid at [losobail {at} redspears.org](mailto:losobail@redspears.org) for details. Cattenden hosted a January zoom-class on lace: Punto in aria, learning the steps with Mistress Arrienne Ashford. The resource provided was a link to a 16th century lace making book:

https://www2.cs.arizona.edu/patterns/weaving/books/vfv_lace.pdf

Midrealm Calendar of Courts and Events

The Midrealm Calendar with scheduled virtual events and Ethereal Courts can be found through the <https://services.midrealm.org> Services Portal. Log in to the portal to see the updated calendar; the webpage calendar is not up to date. All Courts are at 2 pm CST / 3 pm EST and broadcast live via [Kingdom YouTube Channel](#) unless otherwise noted, and posted for later viewing.

Scheduled Courts	Virtual Events	Event Date(s)
February 13, 2021	VIRTUAL St. Valentine's Day Massacre 2021	February 13, 2021, 10 AM EST – 3 PM EST
	VIRTUAL Plague Masque (of Courtly Love)	February 20-21, 2021, 7 AM EST – 10 PM EST
March 13, 2021		
April 10, 2021		
	VIRTUAL It Takes My Child to Raze a Village XII	April 24, 2021
May 8, 2021		

Society Notes

The Resolution to Suspend In-Person SCA Activity has been extended to May 31, 2021. Please read the update here: <https://www.sca.org/news/resolution-to-suspend-in-person-sca-activity-updated-december-4-2020/>. Additional announcements are listed below with imbedded links.



Kingdom Dance-offs, Director’s Meetings, and other official videos can be found on the SCA - Society For Creative Anachronism YouTube channel here: <https://youtu.be/YXltzDCbzRA>

[Board of Directors January 2021 Meeting Video Available - SCA.org](#)

[Investigator's Guide Approved - SCA.org](#)

[People On The Move – Director-Elect – Seat D - SCA.org](#)

Comments are strongly encouraged and can be sent to:
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You may also email sca-comments@lists.sca.org.

Announcements mailing list - To unsubscribe or change your settings, visit:
<http://lists.sca.org/listinfo/announcements>





Challenges: Have you seen this hashtag?

[#15forSCA](#)

For each 30 days completed (does not have to be consecutive) of 15 minutes a day doing something SCA to get ready for when we are able to meet again in person, you will earn a war pay token against the Plague. Use the hashtag [#15forSCA](#) to show what you are doing today! To help remember what you did, try keeping track of days by putting notes or items in a jar. Everything counts: projects, exercise, social media, research, and so on.

Note: You don't need to hashtag everything.

[#ProjectHope](#)

Greetings unto the Midrealm! I am Hilla Stormbringer, Bard of the Midlands. I wish peace to you all, warmth and love, and a happy new year. With 2021 so close, I have been reflecting on the past year and the year that is to be. Though the time since last March has seemed nearly endless and scary and dark, I have also been warmed and cheered by all of those who have given so much of themselves to the people of the Midrealm and the SCA to help them through these difficult times.

I am a bard, and it is in that capacity that I have served the kingdom for many years. I am humbled by the work so many bards have done this past year and continue to do in service to the Dream.

And so, as a bard, I call out a challenge, as it were, not just to my fellow bards, but to the populace of the Midrealm. It is inspired by the 100th Reign Populace Poetry Challenge, and I call it Project Hope. I ask any and all to contribute original poems in any style, original written songs, original stories, and/or original essays on the subject or inspiration of Hope. These will be posted online (exact site TBD). I would also like to call upon any scribes willing to transcribe these works that a copy of these words and images of hope might be preserved and gifted to the Crown to hold in trust for the Children of the Dragon.

The challenge began December 21st 2020 - the first day of winter - and ends March 20th 2021 - the first day of spring. Please submit works or questions to hillastormbringer@gmail.com. Please feel free to share. #ProjectHope



The Marshals' Corner

Martials take note: Once we are back to having in person meetings and practices, you must be a paid member to retain your martial warrant. Warrants will not expire while we are not having in-person events.

Everyone should take a look at the Revised Marshal's Handbook as there are a few changes. It can be found here: https://sca.org/officers/marshal/docs/marshal_handbook.pdf

The updated Rapier Rules are here: <https://library.midrealm.org/marshal/rapier/#>

Enhancing the SCA Game

SCA 101

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CpK-ID6q2I8&t=21s>

Taking the Teeth Out of Stage Fright

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bqeLd7MucN4>

Irish Pronunciation for Heralds and Bards

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CMqMAZXS90&t=22s>

Using Google Docs to Mimic a Website

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DhIEDyWRu88>

Developing Leadership in the SCA

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G32K_xEStAc

Conflict Resolution for People, not Heraldry

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gQ_K9cxc1tQ

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Definitions & Concepts

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=loon3zRjR1U>

Events: Behind the scenes

Building An Event

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dmBqeZFUzSk>

Hosting a Kingdom Level Event

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zprzbPbahhY>

How to Run a Royal Court

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sRwsEDRORuw>

The office of what?

Playlist from Day of Officers, Stewards, and Ministers: This is a playlist of nine videos including How to be a Minister of Arts and Sciences (MoAS), Chatelaine, and Minister of Youth. Also included are event and group related topics such as Kitchen Sanitation, Volunteers, Teamwork, and running court and events.

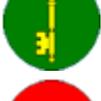
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c9AXBeL8sZs&list=PL8dTCWBYGJerEqxLa2Xm762OD2ijxb6jy>

All Aboard!

This is only a brief sampling of class topics. Check the Royal University of the Midrealm - RUM YouTube page, your local library, and many other locations for more topics. If you have a favorite go-to site, let the Chronicler know! Attend the local cantons' weekly meetings to see what your neighbors are currently working on and show off your own projects.

Ever try to explain something and “too much, let me sum up” still didn’t satisfy? Share the fun this winter in print! Seeking article submissions for upcoming newsletters.

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