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Notice Of Polling of Confidence

As Baron Axel announced at the December meeting, and to the lists, Baroness Jeanmaire will be stepping down as Baroness effective in February. Baron Axel has announced his wish to continue his term as the Coronet of Sacred Stone. Their Royal Majesties, have asked for a polling of confidence to gauge the will of the people in this matter.

The polling letters were mailed the 17th of December.

They are due back to TRM Vlad & Kalisa no later than January 8th. TRMs will then take some time to thoughtfully consider our opinions as their loyal populace, before making a decision.

The pollings went out to every PAID member of the SCA that resides in the zip codes that make up Sacred Stone. If you are part of the participating populace of the barony but are not a paid member or do not live within the zip codes assigned to the barony, please use the information at the end of this missive to send TRM your view of the issue at hand. They want to hear from all of us, so please send them your thoughts.

Polling procedures for non-members and populace outside Sacred Stone's formal boundaries:

* All polling letters for Sacred Stone sent to TRMs should be written on GREEN paper. You can buy this by the sheet at most office supply stores (Staples, Office Depot).

* ALL letters must be received by TRM no later than January 8th. (Mail them ASAP, as the Holidays will effect the amount of time it takes to arrive.)

Letters are to be sent to the following address:

Vlad & Jen Krochmal
14625 Baltimore Ave #141
Laurel, MD 20707

You are welcome and encouraged to send your comments along with your statement of endorsement or opposition.

If you have any questions about this process please contact me at this email address or at 336-899-9788.

Thank you all in advance for making this process as smooth as possible,
Lady Murienne l'aloiere

Letter from the Baron

Greetings unto the populace of Sacred Stone,

As the old year draws to a close and a new year begins, we find our fair barony set for another busy year.

We have an opponent for War of the Wings V. We will find ourselves battling against our cousins to the north, the Barony of Stierbach.

As you may know, Jeanmarie and I have been having some marital problems over the last couple of years, and they have intensified over the last year, as a result we have begun a trial separation. We do not know how long it will last, or where it will lead to, but these problems, and Jeanmaire's heavy Web Design course load has led to Jeanmaire deciding to step back from her position as Baroness of Sacred Stone. Hopefully, I will be able to continue on as Baron, but Jeanmaire is resigning effective in February. It was decided it would be best for Jeanmaire to resign effective February as the Monarchs felt this would allow ample time for a vote of confidence to be conducted.

Axel, Baron of Sacred Stone



Letters from Baronial Officers



From the Seneschal:

Greetings to the populace of the glorious Barony of Sacred Stone,

First off I would like to thank you for giving me the unique opportunity to serve the barony as Seneschal. I am greatly looking forward to helping this Barony work toward becoming an even better place to live and play than it is already.

I want to thank Herrin Gisela for her dedication to this Barony and her tireless service as first our Exchequer and then our Seneschal. I believe that along with the rest of the baronial officers, she has brought the barony to a place where we can feel safe in building our Barony into the wonderful place we all know it can be.

I have been in contact with the Seneschal's of each Canton. I will be paying a visit to each Canton once a quarter. I will sit in on local meetings for two reasons – 1. I want to keep the lines of communication open between each Canton and the Barony. I think it is vital that the barony has a good idea of the group dynamics of each of its cantons. 2. I want to foster a feeling of community with in the barony. Each canton plays a very important role in the Barony and I want them to all feel contacted by that common bond.

This is a very busy time in our Barony. We have a polling going on, a new Exchequer being chosen, a request for a new MoL, and it is also time for end of Year reports. Well at least we can't say it is boring!

Our next Baronial business meeting will be on January 24th at the Chinese Buffet in Salisbury. I hope to see you all there. Directly following that meeting is the first staff meeting for War of the Wings V. If you are on staff and can make it, please do so. If you are not on staff and want to be come on out we'll find something for you to do, I promise!

Again, I thank you for letting me serve,

Lady Murienne l' aloiere



From the Chronicler:

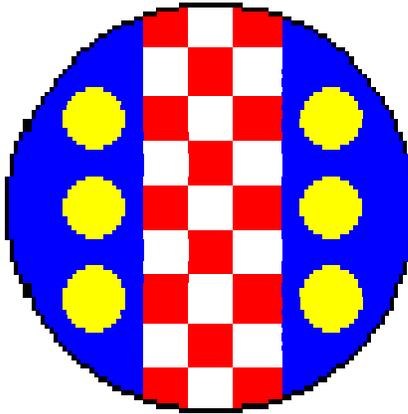
To All,

I would like to thank everyone who helped with the publication of our newsletter in the past year. I look forward to the new year and all that it has to offer. Anyone who has articles, photos, drawings or anything else they would like to contribute to the newsletter, please feel free to contact me, I am always looking for new things to add to our newsletter.

I wish everyone a peaceful, prosperous, happy new year!!!

YIS,

Lady Nuala Ingen Magnusa



Letters of Intent for the Position of Barony Exchequer

Below are the two letters of intent that we have received for the Exchequer position. The populace has until January 14th to voice it's opinion in this matter to the Seneschal at seneschal@sacredstone.atlantia.sca.org and the Coronet baron@sacredstone.atlantia.sca.org. The choice for this position will be announced at the January business meeting in Salisbury on Sunday, January 24th.

Letter from Lord Edmund:

I would like to have the opportunity to serve as the Baronial Exchequer for the Barony of Sacred Stone. I believe that with my experience as the Exchequer for the Canton of Baelfire Dunn, would make me a good choice for this honor and privilege.

As interim emergency baronial exchequer, I have committed to getting the reports in order for the rest of this year and the books in order for review. This will provide me with the knowledge and experience to be considered as a permanent choice for this position.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve the Barony in this position.

In your service,

Lord Edmund Hawkesworth

Letter from Lady Svana:

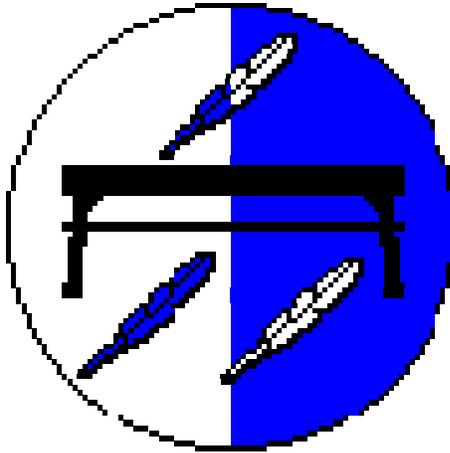
I would like to be considered for the position of Exchequer of the Barony of the Sacred Stone. I feel that I can perform the required duties, considering that I have been an accountant professionally for over 20 years. I am organized, responsible, and non-biased. The office's main responsibility is to follow the policies and procedures of the Barony, Kingdom, and Society. I would also pledge to maintain a level of record keeping and reporting that inspires the confidence of the Baronial Coronet, Seneschal, and populace.

I am eager to be of service to the Barony. If it is determined that I may better serve as Deputy to the Baronial Exchequer, I will be willing to serve in that capacity also.

Your consideration is most appreciated.

Lady Svana in kyrra Haraldsdottir

Lisa Ray



Request for Letters of Intent for the Position of Barony Minister of Lists

At this time we are requesting letters of intent from all interested parties, for the position of Baronial Minister of Lists. Lady Alexandria has served the barony in this position for a number of years and we thank her for that service. This position is important to a barony as active as ours. A Minister of Lists is required for ALL events which plan to have marshaled activities.

We will be accepting letters until January 29th. Those letters will then be posted in the Newsletter. Commentary of the letters will be accepted until February 14th.

The new Baronial Minister of Lists will be announced at the February Baronial meeting and Populace gathering in Hickory on Sunday, February 28th.

Questions & Answers

Starting this month, a Question & Answer section will be included in the newsletters.

The populace is welcome to send it's SCA related questions to Lady Nuala.

They will be researched and answered will the answers posted in an upcoming issue.

This month's questions are based on discussions at past baronial meetings.

Q: What is the OP (nope not Ocean Pacific)?

A. The OP—Order of Precedence is a sequential hierarchy of rank. In the SCA, this takes the form of recognition of awards received, the rank of the award and when the person received it. In formal events, the Order of Precedence plays a part in how members of the SCA relate to each other. For example: in Crown tournament, combatants and their consorts are presented to the crown before the tournament in Order of Precedence.

Q: Award Recommendations???

A. All members of the populace are welcome (encouraged) submit recommendations for deserving populace to receive awards. Recommendations can be made at baronial and kingdom level. Below are links to the online award recommendation forms—

Baronial—<http://sacredstone.atlantia.sca.org/Recommend.htm>

Kingdom—<http://award.atlantia.sca.org/>

WHO AM I?

How well do you know the people in our barony? You will be given the answers to a few questions, see if you can figure out who they are. The answers will be in next months issue of the phoenix.

1. I am a Male
2. I grew up in NC
3. I have been married for 15 years.
4. My partner is a member of the SCA
5. I have 3 children
6. My children are members of the SCA.
7. I started in the SCA in 1992
8. I live in the Southern part of the barony.
9. My SCA interests in order of favorite first are fighting, service, and arts and sciences
10. I have never been a member of a different barony and kingdom
11. The baron and baroness when I joined the SCA was Bran Trefonnen
12. I have not served as an officer of a canton, barony or kingdom
13. My persona is from England
14. During the middle of the 13th century

December's "Who Am I?"

was

The Honorable Lady Lorelei Greenleaf
of the Canton of Crois Brigitte



Nov/Dec 2009 Baronial Meeting

The meeting was held on December 13th at Bunker Hill High School

Officers' Reports:

Seneschale's report: Gisela – This is my last meeting as your seneschal. It has been an honor and a real learning experience. Thank you for your trust and your help and for your friendship. FINANCIAL PAPERWORK MUST BE DONE ON TIME OR WE WILL BE SUSPENDED. Accounting for the use of Baronial (or canton) monies is crucial to our continued existence. If you cannot get the paperwork done or find someone else to do it for you do not bid as an event steward for an event nor ask for a cash advance for any project. Please!

Exchequer's report: Lord Edmund has agreed to serve as the interim Exchequer for the barony. We would like to thank him and the Canton of Baelfire Dunn for their willingness to act quickly to serve the barony. Our current balance is: \$7469.81

MoAS Report: Lidia de Ragusa—no report. Upcoming A&S—CB workshop on Jan 2 9:30–12 to make 12th night gifts.

Chatelaine Report: Serena – Guntram made report, Chatelaine is going well, need Gold Key middle size garb Charlesbury Crossing is making items for Baronial Gold Ky. Serena asks that canton chatelaines make reports to her. Gold key rack still in process.

Knights Marshal Report: Achbar ibn Ali – Appearance is becoming more important for the fighter and weapons, cover the plastic and very modern shoes. Experimental weapons must be properly marked. Combat Archery, 30 foot buffer zone between spectators and combat field. Combat archery, siloflex arrows are legal, the only arrows that can be gleaned from the field and re-used. Bows being handed off in order for fighter to use secondary weapon, must be taken from the field before secondary weapon is employed. Deputy marshals are needed. Has a new deputy, Saunooke. Has discussed with Achbar the responsibilities of the office.

MoL Report: currently vacant We will be calling for letters of intent for this position. Lady Amye Elizabeth Barrington has expressed interest in the position.

Heralds Report: Niccolina the Wanderer – UnEvent promotions: Niccolina the Wanderer was made Pursuivant, Talorgen was made a Herald, Bran Trefonan will step up as Triton at 12th Night and Gise will become Triton's drop dead deputy, Niriad Herald. Classes– tell Niccolina what do you need in any realm of heraldry. She will be running consult table at baronial populace gathering and offering classes there and willing to offer them other places. There will also be classes at University in Feb in Isenfir.

Chronicler Report: Nuala ingen Magnusa – Request, letter from the seneschals each month to explain what the canton is doing by 15th of each month. 25th absolute deadline. Last month's Who Is This was Lord Symon de Ipswich. The suggestion was made that the answer to the Who Is This be Posted out on the list

Web Minister Report: Maeve Griffenswald – Learned some interesting info about the position at the Unevent meeting. Continuing to update the website. Thanks to Murienne for giving me a list of things she noticed! Please remember that any suggestions or corrections for the website are happily accepted. If anyone has any changes/updates that need to be made, please contact me at webminister@sacredstone.atlantia.sca.org

Baronial Archery Report: Archery Report from Cog through Edward de Witt—wishes to build team among the groups. Cog Shoot three times, with at least three archers, There are archery practices regularly at Lorelei and Tim's, Robin/Aine, Middlegate, people holding other practices in the barony are asked to contact Christophe with dates & times.

Chirurgeon: Gwynwylf – Events attended: CIC at Sacred Stone Baronial Birthday, Fall University, taught class on food safety. War of the Wings, worked shift scheduled. Upcoming events: Unevent, 12th night

Old Business:

- 1) WoW: Paperwork filed, 1866.68 profit tabled discussion dedicated fund for future WOW' s.
- 2) SCAN Fest, Nov 7– Highly recommend more people next year. Especially artisans. It's really cool! Wildly happy with us. Would like to know numbers of attendees. Date for 2010 will be posted. Charlesbury will have garb workshops to make it possible for more people.
- 3) Crown – SS populace involved. Sir Brian fought for Lady Brianna and was supported by Roanewolfe, Lady Maeve the Handy fought for by Sir Afshin of Nottingham Coil and was supported by Ladies Murienne, Nuala, & Albina.
- 4) UnEvent – Dec 5 Winston Salem State University:
 - a. Alesia, our Kingdom Seneschal, announced a change to Atlantian Seneschal's policy changing quarterly reporting dates. The due dates of quarterly reports are being moved to be more in line with the majority of the other officers of your branch (Ex. Chatelaine, MoAS, etc.) The report is now due at the end of the quarter. For example, this year's 4th Quarter report is due January 15th, 2010. So, for next year, here are your report deadlines:
Quarter 1:January–March is due April 15 ,Quarter 2:April–June is due July 15,
Quarter 3:July–September is due October 15, Quarter 4:October–December is due January 15
 - b. Please note with the change of dates that your branch's Exchequer's report will now be due two weeks after you own. So, filling out the Seneschal's report is a good heads-up to be looking for your Exchequer's report to sign.
 - c. There is ongoing discussion on how to streamline the information going into the online reporting system. We ask of you if that if you report on a problem in you group in your quarterly report that you include the eventual resolution and steps taken to achieve that resolution in follow-up reports. Also, if there is a problem that arises and your feel you need to include your regional and/or the Kingdom Seneschal before your reporting date, please do so.
 - d. Aine attended the Chatelaine's meeting and reports the Kingdom Chatelaine said: Newcomers are not getting picked up because we're in cliques. She would like to encourage people especially peers and other long time established folks to really reach out to them.

e. Children's Meeting at Unevent, the Chancellor of Youth, Lady Elizabeth, would like to have a chancellor minor in each group. Warranted with back ground check because the check is so expensive they will require officers to work with young and older kids. Will be required to work four events. There is one person possibly interested in baronial position. If you have any inkling of interest come talk to Niccolina,

f. Youth Combat – Changes, before youth could fight they had to watch a fight practice and sit through a class. The latest change will be in the next Acorn kids do not have to sit through a class first nor observe, as long as their parent or guardian is there and an MOL is there, they can armor up and fight then. Special waiver for children not your own on kingdom marshal web site.

5) Winter Solstice – was fun, probably under 30 people, Pretty cool. The mother of the Mongol quarter master did it played by Lady Rosanella from Windmasters Hill with Poison. Winner was Eluned got it all right. The feast was very good.

6) February Populace Meeting – Lady Alexandra/Pam from Baelfire Dunn agreed to open the school to host the populace meeting again. She requests no one arrive before 12:30. Lady Caitlin has committed to organizing the food and activities again. Baelfire Dunn Feb 28

7) List fence, Achbar is going to coordinate with Egil, will post to the lists the plans for finishing the project.

New Business:

Letters of Intent for Baronial Exchequer – We will call for Letters of Intent to be Exchequer of the barony from the Populace at the Dec 13 meeting in Hickory, on the e-list at that time and in the newsletter. Letters of Intent will be due to Murienne by Dec 29. The Populace will be asked for commentary and advice to Their Excellencies and then-seneschal Lady Muirenne who will step into that office in January. Commentary will be due by Jan. 14th The decision of a permanent exchequer decision will be announced at the baronial meeting in Salisbury, Jan 24th. Upcoming Business Meeting Dates – January's meeting will be Jan. 24 at the China Buffet in Salisbury. February populace gathering Feb 28 in Baelfire Dunn/Hickory; March-Salisbury

Random suggestion was made to Create a newcomer's brochure and get it out ... Care and feeding of newcomers ... Sine will create a web page of information to send to Web minister.

Upcoming Important Dates:

Jan 9 – Kingdom 12th Night

Jan 23 – Sagas of the Stone

Jan 24 – January Baronial Business Meeting, Salisbury

Feb 13 – Ymir

Feb 28 – Baronial Populace Gathering and Biz Meeting, Baelfire Dunn

Mar 13 – St. Urhos Tourney

Cantons:

Aire Faucon – Alive and well, Sir Brian fought well at Crown and the Canton had many members there in support.

Baelfire Dunn – Alive and well, Till is seneschal now and Ron is exchequer.

Charlesbury Crossing – Stopped weekly A&S nights through holidays and concentrating on A&S focused on events and looking at weekends so we can get more done. Looking to have an event in Oct after WoW, The Hunt At Charlesbury Manor lots of fun but coming. Watch for details.

Crois Brigitte – All is well. SAAD is the last weekend in April had to be moved due to Coronation

Middlegate – . Will be having a Canton Holiday party on January 2nd. Anyone who wishes to attend is welcome. Sagas of the Stone will be on January 23rd. Get your reservations in for feast. Working on coordinating demos at Stellercon and Mace in 2010.

Salesberie Glenn – Salesberie Glen is planning on doing the St Urhos Tourney on March 13th. Guntram, holding archery and A&S on Thursdays at Guntram's. Once a month there will be an all day archery & A&S thing. Still kicking and have a couple things in the works. Looking at doing an event ... Below the Salt at a Different site. Also an All day rapier event, All for One.

Coronet Report

Presented by Baron Axel: Plan to hold court at Sagas. Awards, contact Axel. Recommendation form is on the baronial website. Storvik Performance Revel is Feb 13 same weekend as Ymir... Performance Revel South ... it's an opportunity for performers to perform for other performers. Want to do it again in June or Sept. Stellar Con is coming up and looking for a demo at it. Same weekend as StellerCon. Kingdom A&S in Marinus.

Sacred Stone won this past year's interbaronial A&S competition at Kingdom A&S. Mark, current A&S champion will be representing our Barony.

ConCarolinas/DeepSouth Con ... we will do a tournament again. June 4-6. Doesn't necessarily result in recruiting ... but it gets our name out there.

We have an opponent for WoW. Stierbach. Hopefully will have Black Diamond as ally. WoW Shtick at 12th Night.

Baroness Jeanmaire has decided to resign as a Coronet of Sacred Stone. A polling of confidence for Baron Axel has been called for by Their Majesties. Polling are due back to them by January 8th.

Calendar of Events & Activities

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
					1	2 A&S Workshop CB Holiday Party MG
3 Fighter Practice SG & MG Canton Meeting BD Archery / A&S MG	4 Canton Meeting CB & CC	5	6 Fighter Practice MG	7 A&S / Archery SG A&S / Drumming MG	8	9
10 Fighter Practice SG & MG Canton Meeting MG Archery / A&S MG	11	12 Canton Meeting AF	13 Fighter Practice MG	14 A&S / Drumming MG	15	16
17 Fighter Practice SG & MG Archery / A&S MG	18	19	20 Fighter Practice MG	21 A&S / Drumming MG	22	23 Sagas of the Stone MG
24 Baronial Meeting SG WoW Meeting SG Fighter Practice SG & MG	25	26	27 Fighter Practice MG	28 A&S / Drumming MG	29	30
31 Fighter Practice SG & MG Archery / A&S MG						

AF=Aire Faucon, BD=Baelfire Dunn, CC=Charlesbury Crossing,
CB=Crois Brigitte, MG=Middlegate, SG=Salesberie Glenn

Baronial Regnum

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	<i>Minister of Minors</i>	<i>OPEN</i>		

Regnum (continued)
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