

The background is a complex stained glass design. At the top center is a small eagle with spread wings. Below it, the word "PHOENIX" is written in large, white, serif capital letters with a black outline. In the center is a large shield with a green field containing a white eagle with spread wings and a laurel wreath above it. The shield is set within a circular frame with a red and blue border. The entire design is surrounded by a pattern of green vines with yellow berries and grey geometric shapes.

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FROM THE BARON & BARONESS:

Greetings to the best barony in the Known World!

**Congratulations to Prince Amos and Princess Ysabella,
our new Atlantian heirs! Vivat!**

**We can't believe December is here already and like all of
you, we are scrambling around trying to get our Christ-
mas shopping done. We're hoping that there are lots of merchants and
good shopping at the Atlantian Twelfth Night. We hope that you have
sent in your money and chosen your table. It's going to be a wonderful
day and you wouldn't want to miss it! See you there!**

**We hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving Day with plenty of
yummy leftovers.**

**Here's hoping we see everyone at Atlantian Twelfth Night, it's going to be
a wonderful day!**

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Oshi and Sine



FROM THE OFFICERS:

Seneschal: Lady Murienne l'Aloiere



Greetings All,

I hope that this letter finds you all enjoying the holiday season in the way that makes you happiest.

Another year has come and gone and we have been busy as usual with all of the events, activities and gatherings that make this Barony such an enjoyable place to play. If you are bored in Sacred Stone then speak up. We will find something for you to do!

I would like to thank all of the Baronial officers whom I have had the privilege to work with this year. Each and every one of you have played very important parts in the smooth running of the Barony.

I would also like to take a moment to reach out to people who might want to become a baronial officer in the future. If you have questions about an office... ask! If you want to see what it is all about... become a deputy!

If you want to help out but don't know where you would fit the best... talk to the Coronets or myself! We want you to be involved and to have fun doing it.

One last thing and I will let you all get back to enjoying the rest of the newsletter.

December 16th is the Baronial Holiday Gathering.

We will gather at Bunker Hill High School @ 2pm.

4675 Oxford School Rd. Claremont, NC 28610

It will be IN GARB.

Activities include.... Medieval Musical Chairs, Potluck Lunch, Gluckhaus, & possibly dancing.

I hope you will all be able to attend!

Lady Murienne l'aloiere

Call for Letters of Intent - Chatelaine

If you have interest in this office but have questions I urge you to contact the outgoing officer, the coronets, or myself as we will all be happy to answer any questions that you may have.

Over the next few months our Chatelaine will be stepping down as her term of service comes to an end. Our officers have all given their time and effort in service to the Barony and for that we thank each of them. If you would like to step in to fill this office please note the qualifications needed and complete the procedures listed below.

Each Baronial officer must comply with the requirements as described in Sections 5.1, 5.5 and 5.6 of the Baronial Policies. If you are unfamiliar with these sections I urge you to read them before you submit your letter. Baronial Policies are located on the Baronial website and can be viewed here... <http://sacredstone.atlantia.sca.org/GPolicies.htm#baronialpolicies>

Parties interested in stepping into the office noted above will need to follow the Letter of Intent guidelines layed out below...

Letters of intent should include the following information:

SCA Name

Modern Name

Membership # & Exp date

Address

Phone

Email

A statement that you would like to be considered for the position of _____ officer.

In addition, it is suggested that you include your qualifications, reasons why you would like to be considered for the position, and any goal that you have for your term in office.

If you have an SCA Resume please include that as well.

Letters of Intent should be sent to the Coronet, Baronial Seneschal, and outgoing officer.

From the Chronicler: Lady Caitlin MacDonoughue



Article of the Month Contest for the Phoenix newsletter.

Greetings to the barony,

In an effort to get more participation from the barony and to draw on the tremendous wealth of knowledge that exists among our populace, I am kicking off a contest in the month of November. We are looking for articles that are SCA related and would be of interest to a variety of people. If you use material, either written or pictures, that was taken from another author, you must have permission to use the material or photographs or give credit in your article to your source.

The author of the article that is chosen as the Article of the Month will be given a \$20 gift card from either Joann's or Michaels, their choice.

You may submit your article to me at my email address, caitlinofbaelfiredun@yahoo.com by the third Saturday of each month to be considered for the newsletter to be published on the first of the following month. We have a panel of three judges, myself, Lady Murienne and Master Bran who will read the articles and select the winner. If your article is not chosen, you may submit it again to be reconsidered for a different month.

Even with such short notice, I received four articles this month. They were all interesting and informative and very varied in their topics. Thank you to Bethany Nichols, Alain de Rochelle and Jonathan Blackbow for your submissions. Congratulations to Bethany Nichols, who article "Top Eleven Resources for Medieval Research" was selected as the winner for November. Be sure to read her article in this month's newsletter.

Keep those articles coming. We can make the Phoenix a wonderful vehicle for distributing information and keeping our populace informed and entertained and you may be \$20 richer.

Thanks to all,

Lady Caitlin

Meeting Minutes

The baronial business meeting took place at 2pm at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 1355 Jonestown Road, Winston-Salem, NC 27103. Twenty four gentles were present.

Officer's Reports:

Coronet's Report:

Baron Oshi and Baroness Sine had no report at this time. All business will be discussed later in the meeting.



Seneschal's Report:

Nothing new to report. All business will be discussed later in the meeting.



Exchequer's Report:

Current checkbook balance is \$12,464.42

Sacred Stone Baronial Birthday had 165 people in attendance. The event made \$1,013 in profit. That was a good turnout with several people staying over until Sunday. We don't have the totals for WoW yet.



Chronicler's Report:

I am still in need of Officer's Reports. Please copy me when you send in your report to Murienne before the Baronial meeting. Also, if you would like me to publicize your upcoming event, send me some information and I will be happy to include it in the newsletter. I am kicking off a contest for Article of the Month. The article selected will receive a \$20 gift card from either Joann's or Michaels. The articles must be submitted by the third Saturday of each month.



Herald's Report:

Submitting reports on time. Nothing new to report

Chatelaine's Report:

Thank you to those who stepped up to assist at WoW. There were a lot of newcomers. Men's garb is still needed for the Gold Key. I am currently looking for someone to take my position when I step down.

Officers' Reports:

MOL's Report:

One Letter of Intent was received. Since that person was not present, it was decided to hold off the vote until next month.

Chatelaine's Report:

No Report Call for Letters of Intent in this month's newsletter

Heavy Marshall:

Nothing new to report.

Rapier Marshal's Report:

No report

Archery Marshal's Report:

Since there was no response to the Call for Letters of Intent for Archery Marshal, a vote was taken and approved to have Edward DeWitt remain as Archery Marshal.

Web Minister's Report:

No report

MoAS Report:

Lots of A&S activities going on right now. Thank you to those who have helped other baronies with their A&S activities, Etienne now has a deputy, Meadhbh the Handy.

Chancellor of Minors' Report :

Working on children's activities for Twelfth Night.

Chirurgeon's Report:

Nothing new other than more Deputies are needed to become Chirurgeons.

Canton Reports:

Charlesbury Crossing:

Zafira has agreed to step up as Charlesbury's new Seneschal. She will be my deputy affective immediately. Starting in March she will step up and I will be her deputy for 3 months to help with the transition.

A&S nights have been about 2x a month. One is usually focused on Twelfth night the other on general A&S. Our next A&S will be on the 29th at Annora's house.

Achbar and Zafira have been hosting very successful fighter practices and we are starting to grow our fighters.

Bran will be stepping down as Exchequer after 12th night. He will make sure the end of the year reports are done before turning the office over. We are in the process of looking for a replacement.

We are still on track for planning Twelfth night. We have decided to withdraw our bid for Runestone.

Thanks,

Aminah

Middlegate:

Nothing new to report.

Baelfire Dunn:

Baelfire Dunn continues to be more active. We have Spiked Drums of War IV for Apr. 13-15.

We have a new Chronicler, Marj Searles Johnson, (Lady Isobel).

Aire Falcon:

The canton had a meeting and decided they still want to be a canton. They are working on some ideas.

Salisberie Glen:

Sir Axel has stepped up as Seneschal. Elunid will be his Deputy. They are having new-comer meet and greets and are working on more A&S nights. Fighter practices will be announced.

Croix Brigitte:

SAAD has been Spiked for Apr 27th. Tim will Autocrat and Lorelei will be the MiC. Archery practice as weather permits.

New Business:

YMIR- Shrewlet needs help at that event. Any Chiurgeon who could assist should get in touch with her.

Bids for WoW 2013— Lady Caitlin and Lady Meadhbh presented their bids for War of the Wings VIII to the populace. Much discussion ensued with a question and answer period so that both bids could be discussed. A vote was taken. The vote was Lady Caitlin—14, Lady Meadhbh—6, 4—abstaining.

Events:

December Baronial Gathering—Dec 16th.

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Activities include.... Medieval Musical Chairs, Potluck Lunch, Gluckhaus, & possibly dancing.

Events :

12th Night: Saturday Jan.12th

Lots of activities in the works for 12th Night. See our website at www.twelfthnight.atlantia.sca.org for more exciting information or check out our Facebook page. Be sure and give your favorite gentleman your Queen of Hearts cards to secure your dance at the Ball. Start planning on dance practices in your locations. The dance list and music is already on the website. Registration is open, so register soon.



Just because the Yuletide Feast is currently sold out, don't think that means there's not plenty of opportunity for you to have fun well into (and well after) Feast at Twelfth Night!

We have plenty of off-board seating in the Great Hall so you can still enjoy the atmosphere and entertainment of the Feast. Also, even though the King's Arms (our working tavern) will close for Feast, the bar in the Great Hall will be open and serving.

Also, the King's Arms will re-open after Feast and during the Queen of Hearts Ball for games, drinks, and light fare (so come eat there!). Feast in no way marks the end of the event for our off-board guests. Indeed, it is just the beginning of a grand and wonderful evening of activities!

And don't forget the Banquet Miniscule during the Queen of Hearts Ball! The dessert spread will be open to all of our Twelfth Night guests!

Ghesseh of the Stone — Sat. Jan 19th.

Ghesseh of the Stone will journey to the lands of Persia while paying tribute to The Barony of the Sacred Stone through performing arts, tests of martial prowess, artistic endeavors and a marvelous candlelight Persian feast.

Kingdom A&S—Feb 2nd

Jamestown United Methodist Church, 403 E. Main St, Jamestown, NC 27282

The annual A&S Festival for the Kingdom of Atlantia. ACCEPS is up and running. Feast is pre-reg only. Breakfast and lunch is included in the site fee.

Top Eleven (free) Resources for Medieval Research

By Catherine Ambrose

Not all of us have access to online databases that universities now offer their students. As a matter of fact, most of us have no idea what is offered now, since it's such a change from when we were all in school once upon a time. How do we get access to the research we need, and without paying upwards of a thousand dollars a year for a resource that we rarely use?

Some of these resources require local library cards – but for the most part, obtaining a library card is free if you live in the area.

1. Interlibrary Loan

Let's face it: not all libraries have everything, especially if you live in a smaller town or city. With the advent of the internet, however, we've gotten a step closer to freedom of information by allowing books to be lent world-wide through a process known as "Interlibrary Loan". If your library doesn't have a resource that you need, talk to your librarian about it, and usually within a few weeks that resource will be in your hands – and usually at no cost.

2. WorldCat – (<http://www.worldcat.org/>)

The mother of all library catalogs, WorldCat is a catalog that taps into nearly every library around the world, including many local libraries. Not sure where to find something you've been wanting to get your hands on? Switch over to WorldCat and you can see at a glance where the book is carried and how far it is. You can even request a loan straight from the site, as long as you belong to a local library. It's a combination of one-stop shopping and research.

3. JSTOR

If WorldCat is the mother of all library catalogs, JSTOR is the father of all historical research databases. Combining a massive number of regularly-updated scholarly journals and magazines, JSTOR offers the best of the best in historical research, and all of their sources are peer-reviewed and checked thoroughly. While many local libraries do not have access to JSTOR, state libraries usually will and a card is just as easy to obtain there.

4. Google Scholar – (scholar.google.com)

There has always been a battle fought between freedom of information and who that information really belongs to. This is where Google Scholar steps in, offering a middle ground of articles from older journals (ideal for historical research), article abstracts (summaries), and citations. Want to find out who the best are referring to in their research? Google Scholar has citation information too.

5. Online Subject Bibliographies

Chances are, if you're facing a research problem for the SCA, it's already been addressed. By searching for your specific problem and the term "bibliography" in your preferred

search engine, lists of resources that are related may just pop up, compiled by fellow SCA members and researchers alike. If anything, this will give you a great place to begin.

6. Historical Atlases

Can't find any information on your culture during the time period you want? Check a historical atlas. Place names change (a lot!). For instance, what we know now to be Germany has once been part of the Prussian Empire, and before had been divied up into dozens of smaller kingdoms and parcels of land. Historical atlases will give you the names you need, and the information to go along with them. Like much else, these atlases exist both in libraries and online.

7. Cambridge History of...

If you're looking for something on a specific culture, encyclopedias won't have the depth you'll most likely need. The Cambridge History series features entire volumes on specific cultures. The series has a great reputation among scholars, and is popular enough to where many libraries hold the books.

8. Heralds and Librarians

In the case of finding information on your persona, what better resource is there than your local herald? With all the tools on naming, culture, and heraldic devices at hand, the herald is the first person you should check with if you're starting persona research. Plus, most heralds have the experience to go along with the research; chances are that they've gone through the process plenty of times.

While most haven't specialized in medieval history, librarians are trained in the art and science of search. Bring your questions in to the research or reference desk, and your local librarian will be more than happy to help get you started. They'll also be able to help you with all the other resources listed here.

9. Bartelby (<http://www.bartelby.com/>)

Need some general information? Bartelby is a website that features full text of thousands of encyclopedias, reference books, fiction, non-fiction, and many, many other sources. Of particular note is The Oxford Shakespeare with full text of all of Shakespeare's work, and entire sections on mythology and religion – excellent for medieval research.

10. British Library Online (<http://www.bl.uk/>), British Museum Online (<http://www.britishmuseum.org/>)

With manuscripts being scanned in for the local public on a daily basis, all the information you need for research like this is right at your fingertips. Not only does the British Library and British Museum websites feature complete interactive manuscripts and entire exhibits right there online, they also offer the information with which to back it all up.

11. Other SCA Members

In many cases, one of the best resources to have at your disposal is people. Have a question on something specific? Ask someone in the SCA who focuses on the area. Peers (especially Laurels) are wonderful for this, because they've already done the research on their subject.

There's absolutely no limit on geography. Ask around; find out who might know, and shoot out an email. Chances are that the recipient will be thrilled and more than a little humbled to have been approached. After all, that's what the SCA is about: sharing what we know with other people.

Dec. Schedule of Events for the Barony of the Sacred Stone

Meetings

**Baronial Meeting— Dec 16th— Bunker Hill HS, 4675 Oxford School Rd.
Claremont, NC 28610**

Aire Faucon— N/A

Baelfire Dunn - N/A

Charlesbury Crossing - Monday, Dec 3rd

Crois Brigitte - Wed., Dec. 5th.

Middlegate - Friday, Dec 7th.

Salesberie Glen - N/A

A&S

Aire Faucon - Tues evenings at rotation locations

Baelfire Dunn - N/A

Charlesbury Crossing - Location to be announced.

Crois Brigitte - Dates and locations will be published

Middlegate - Tues 6-9- contact A&S Officer for address

Salesberie Glen –Occasional Wednesdays, contact Lady Mari for dates

Practices

Aire Faucon - Will be held on canton nights as location allows

Baelfire Dunn - Rapier practice Sundays at Bunker Hill HS

Charlesbury Crossing - N/A

Crois Brigitte - Archery Practice on Sundays at rotating locations

Middlegate - Wed and Sunday Heavy Fighter Practice

Baronial Regnum

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Lord Vilhjálmr bani

BARONIAL YOUTH ARTISAN

Hamsa of Middlegate

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Lord Jean Bartt (Bart Armstrong)
Lord Tim Arrowfinder (Tim Kincaid)
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