

# The Phoenix

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## Upcoming Events in Atlantia

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For more events and happenings, please take a look at Atlantia's Kingdom Calendar of Events:  
<https://atlantia.sca.org/calendar/>

## Upcoming Sacred Stone Barony meetings

Meetings are planned in rotation between the Cantons

All meetings are at 2:00pm unless stated otherwise

May 19, 2024	Aire Faucon	<b>Martha Rivers Park Shelter 2 - 1515 Neal Hawkins Rd. Gastonia, NC</b>
June 23, 2024	Charlesbury Crossing	<b>Mighty Meeple game store - 8440 Pit Stop Ct NW #180, Concord, NC 28027</b>
July 14, 2024	Middlegate	<b>Creekside Park (located just behind the Archdale Public Library) - 214 Park Dr Archdale, NC 27263 - EXACT LOCATION IN THE PARK PENDING</b>
August 18, 2024	Crois Brigitte	<i>tentative</i> - Yadkinville Fire Department
September 22, 2024	Salesberie Glen	TBD
October	Aire Faucon	TBD
November	Charlesbury Crossing	TBD
December	Middlegate	TBD

## Seeking Submissions For Officers

Populace of Sacred Stone, our noble excellencies and our great Seneschal Master Patris need your aid! The barony is currently in need of:

### **Minister of Arts and Sciences**

The Minister of Arts and Sciences is responsible for supporting the study of art forms, technologies, and those aspects of culture relating to their use, both in period and in local group activities.

**letters of intent for Minister of Arts and Sciences (MoAS) are due by 5/18/24**

### **Deputy Minister of the Lists**

Minister of the List is a position within the Marshal structure to organize and document tournaments, record fighter authorizations and report the results in an unbiased fashion.

A Minister of the List (MoL) helps organize, complete and maintain the paperwork needed to track fighters' authorizations and run combat scenarios at events. They are the people sitting at the table on the side of the list field signing in combatants, checking authorization cards, recording authorizations, and filling out all those lovely forms necessary to keep fighting in Atlantia running smoothly.

### **Deputy Exchequer**

The exchequer serves as the group treasurer

### **Deputy Seneschal**

A seneschal in the Society for Creative Anachronism is an administrative officer and the modern equivalent of a president or chief operating officer

These positions are open for letters of intent and are due by next Baronial meeting, which is May 19th. Please send LOI's to: [baroness@sacredstone.atlantia.sca.org](mailto:baroness@sacredstone.atlantia.sca.org)  
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Thank you for your interest!

Populace of Sacred Stone, our cantons are also in dire need of officers and deputies! **Crois Brigitte is in need of an Exchequer and our other cantons are in need of deputies** in order to meet current Atlantia Great Book of Laws guidelines and policies. If you are interested in applying for a position with any of our cantons, please email the Seneschal of Sacred Stone at [seneschal@sacredstone.atlantia.sca.org](mailto:seneschal@sacredstone.atlantia.sca.org) and they will make sure your message is received.

## The Barony of Sacred Stone - Meeting Minutes

4/14/24

### St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Salisbury, NC

**Their Excellencies Report:** We had a celebration of life for Viscount Axel, a prior baron of Sacred Stone and one of our role models. We are planning adding his hat to baronial regalia

We will be at Atlantian War Practice at Elchenburg this next weekend – there will be heavy fighting, combat archery, rapier and melee training. We are planning to bring our small popup, but if needed can bring a larger pavilion

We are planning contests for our champions successors at our baronial birthday. Bardic champion, brewing, armored combat thus far are going to have contests upcoming.

If you are a baronial/canton officer: I would like to encourage you to get a deputy! Even if the deputy never steps up to full office, it is great as a backup plan and helping to find/teach a successor. It is good to have just in case something happens. (It is a REQUIREMENT for exchequers to have a deputy. )

Polling has resulted and we will be staying on as your baron/baroness for another 2 years. Thanks for everyone's patience and kindness while we have been dealing with personal struggles with her Excellency's mother's health.

We really want to make our next baronial birthday really shine and make it an awesome event.

For meeting locations: They do NOT have to be in the canton. Areas in the baronial lands not part of cantons can enter the rotations.

2 things to consider- can the location host an activity – such as a fighting practice, a class, a fiber solar, etc. If we have a theme and plan for the meeting we can draw more people in

and have something else rather than just a business meeting. This can happen before or after the meeting and provide something fun for everyone including newcomers.

Additionally, see if it can have food, as people like to eat! This can be a restaurant or a carry in type event. At SSBB we will have our first annual Viscount Axel Kube tournament – and we can do some practice! We will be traveling out of state during Passover and may have some delays in communication. We will be attending upcoming War Practice, Crown Tournament, and Hawkwood Baronial Birthday

## Officer Reports

**Seneschal** (Master Patris de Terra Lepori) : Nothing major to report. I will be hosting an a&s day at my house on the 28th of April around 11am – metal work, stained glass, etc

**Exchequer** (Meisterin Jdeke von Kolberg) : Balance \$29,475.17

One check was written since the last report: To Bethel Lutheran Church for meeting space April & May, \$225.

No emergency financial decisions were needed. 20 yards of trim were sold at \$1 per yard (yard-sale price). Several persons have indicated an interest in purchasing trim at \$2/yard price. I have trim with me to sell. The quarterly exchequer report, due 4/30/2024, was submitted on 4/2/2024.

**Herald** (Domnall Locard) : 1<sup>st</sup> quarter report not yet submitted, 3 names, 2 devices, 1 badge are all in commentary. The Elchenburg badge is just approved. Lord Edward Perry has been approved.

**Chatelaine** –(Lady Siobhan inghean mhic Eochadha) : I have received an email from More the Merry, who is taking over as Emergency Kingdom Chatelaine. She states for me to consider myself warranted for the time being. Also, I will be reaching out via email to the list of interested people that you sent me and plan to invite them to Kingdom war practice. I would like for everyone to consider inviting people to this as there is no cost or garb required to come and observe.

**Marshal** (Syr Garan): Check your calendars for meetups, try to make it up and come fight!

**MoL** (Lady Niccolina the Wanderer) : I have stepped up as SC/GA regional. I am looking for a deputy to help out! Please let me know if you are interested!

**Chronicler:** (Slaine inghean ui Sheachnsaigh): Newsletters are available on webpage, email list, and posted to FB. Deputy Chronicler and social media officer Edward Perry has been setting up electronic access to meetings and FB event pages for meetings/events.

**MoAS** (THL Éva Franciska Tóth) : Hello and greetings, I have for you my officer's report for A&S. Hidden mountain and coronation had awesome competitions. Hu Xian and her fuzzy buddy Tin Tin won an award for queens favorite barding during the parade of hounds at coronation, and a Sacred Stone-ian won the Culturia Atlantia popular vote- Allen MacFarland for his cast Chinese spear and metalwork. Summer University class submissions remain open. The next event in our area is crown tourney, being held at the girl scout camp in Bennettsville. Still looking for someone to take on the Baronial A&S position. End of report.

**Webminster** (Lady Ailís inghean uí Riagáin): Scrolls of baronial awards have been uploaded to the baronial webpage.

If you would like to upload a copy of prior award scrolls from Sacred Stone it would be awesome to have this uploaded to the website so everyone can appreciate

## Canton Reports

**Aire Faucon:** Thursday night a&s meetings. Mistress Prudence is hosting a once monthly newcomers meeting at the Booksamillion in Gastonia. We are also doing fighter practices regularly

**Middlegate:** Lord Edward Perry represented Middlegate and won the bocce tournament at Elvagast yesterday. First exchequer report successfully submitted by the new exchequer. Weekly arts/science meeting in Greensboro on Wednesday evenings at Cheesecakes by Alex's. Canton of Middlegate is sponsoring a fundraising lunch for \$10 - at Sacred Stone Baronial Birthday. Accepting donations of food from any Canton!

**Crois Brigitte:** We are struggling. We have not yet replaced our exchequer. We are polling the populace to see what our intentions are and how we will proceed about filling this role or what we plan to do if the role is not filled

**Charlesbury Crossing:** meeting on Monday nights. Fighter practice will be upcoming- exact location tbd but will be posted on the calendars.

Con Carolina – we have a demo table this year (for free!) and would like to have people coming. We would love to have a parade – banners and such! Master Achbar will be running the fighting. Other than fighting we do not have much space for active crafts, but we do have a table. There is a fee to attend, but there are a lot of other things to do at the con. May 31-June 2

**Salesberie Glen:** We will be voting at the next meeting to move canton meetings to quarterly/online. We hope this will allow more attendance at baronial meetings due to less competition and more potluck style gatherings.

We will be having a sewing project day upcoming here at St. Paul's where there is a lot of room and tables on June 15th from 10a-5p. Sewing, any arts and sciences are welcome. We plan to have a potluck, and a clothing/garb/stuff swab. We also have plans to restart fighter practice/ general meetup (all are welcome!) at Kelsey Scott park on Tuesdays. Our Autumn Jubilee will return in October and we plan to do another demo there as this went very well last year.

## Old Business

- Sacred Stone Baronial Birthday – this is upcoming on September 6-8 We are still seeking a Site Steward. Lady Slaine has been voluntold to be Archery MIC.
- In a Phoenix Eye/ Runestone - event is bid to vote on for November 16<sup>th</sup>.
  - **19 members present, 3 abstain and 16 in favor, 0 opposed**

- Baronial Trim – for sale at \$2/yard. We have a lot to sell!
- Fencing Practice - paid through May (\$25/week). Hosted by Lady Collette in Clarmont, NC. Arts and Sciences also have been happening at these events. Plans to restart outdoors in June.
- Sew Down: June 15<sup>th</sup> at St. Paul's Church in Salisbury at 205 St. Paul Church Road. From 10a-5pm. Please bring any sewing or art project. There are plenty of tables and electricity. Potluck lunch, so please bring a dish to share. We will also be doing a garb/clothing/stuff swap. Can be SCA related but also RenFaire/etc similar items are welcome
- Gardens of Thyme/Archery Day - August 30-September 2 (Labor Day) at Elchenburg
  - **Will pend voting on event bid until more information is available from the autocrats**

## New Business

- Atlantian Bardic Madness June 28-30. This is mostly a bardic event, though there will be a&s display. There are no competitions but there will be classes and challenges. Once you arrive you can sign up for a maximum of 4 challenges. Seeking patrons for the challenges. Theme is nautical and we are expecting people to visit from across the Known World for this event. Even if you are not a bard, please come out and listen and appreciate it. Dayboard is included in site fee, feast available with extra slots.
- Vivats to Ahmed for making the Order of the Laurel! Saturday April 27<sup>th</sup> Master Osman will be performing Ottoman music from 6-8pm at the Turkish restaurant Mustafa's Place at 129 N Main Street.



## Heartphelt phelicitations to our pheckful phamily of Phoenixes!

Your baronage LOVES to give out awards. Keep sending your wonderful recommendations! We gave out our newcomers' award, the Drakken Egg, to two wonderful new folks: HuXian and Lord Edward Perry. We are proud of your contributions and enthusiasm.

We are deeply saddened by the death of our dear friend and former Baron of Sacred Stone - Viscount Axel. Our hearts were lifted, however, by the number of folks who came to his memorial gathering. We shared many wonderful stories of the mighty man and laughed at his antics. We shall keep his memory alive with the First Annual Viscount Axel Kuub Tournament at Sacred Stone Baronial Birthday in September. We hope you join us for the camaraderie and challenge.

There will be several contests at our Baronial Birthday to choose our new champions in the following specialties. Please send both of us the written parts by Sept. 2nd:

[zazoazza@gmail.com](mailto:zazoazza@gmail.com), [berry.williams@gmail.com](mailto:berry.williams@gmail.com). Love, peace, and hugs, Alain & Azza

Specialty	Contest
Arts & Sciences	Rise from the Ashes - 2 part contest, complete both components. Part 1: a project that failed or you were unhappy with. Part 2: the same project redone with any lessons you learned from Part 1. Write what you learned and what/how you changed for Part 2. Write how you will encourage the arts and sciences next year.
Bardic Arts	2 performances (sing, play instrument, storytell, etc.): one in period, one open choice. Please write why you chose these tunes. Write how you will encourage the bardic arts next year.
Brewing Arts	Brew something with fruit other than grapes: fruit beers, ciders, and melomels. Write how you made it. Write how you will encourage the brewing arts next year.
Armored Combat	Open tournament in round robin style. Each contest fought best of three. Top two warriors compete best two of three using two different weapons forms. Forms do not have to match. Write how you will encourage armored combat next year.
Armored Warlord	Write a training proposal that involves warm ups, drills, melee communication, blow calibration, teamwork, and cool downs to use with Sacred Stone warriors at practices.

**Baronial Progress: come join us!**

Date	Event	Address
May 10-12	Hawkwood Baronial Birthday	Davidson Fort Park 140 Lackey Town Rd, Old Fort, NC
May 31-June 2	ConCarolinas	Hilton Charlotte University Place 8629 JM Keynes Dr, Charlotte, NC
June 15	1st Annual Sew Down & Yard Sale	Saint Paul Church 205 Saint Paul Church Rd Salisbury, NC
June 21-23	Inter-Kingdom Fighter Practice	Smoky Mountain Park 1170 Hyatt Creek Rd, Bryson City, NC
June 28-30	Bardic Madness	Morning Star Church 12509 Idlewild Rd, Matthews, NC
July 26-Aug 11	Pennsic War, camp in Atlantia	Cooper's Lake, 205 Currie Rd, Slippery Rock, PA

## Festival of Elvegast



This past month I decided to travel to Windmasters Hill and support the Windy Kitties with their Festival of Elvegast, but this time as a guest with no responsibilities! I assisted Patronne Murienne with setting up her expansive and delicious day board, which was the only thing I ate all day (thank you) and for the first time in my life I played Bocce! At first, I was the only one that signed up for the tournament, but then three others joined, and I formed a partnership with someone I had never met before. We played what seemed like forever, with the ball going wherever it pleased on constantly rolling down this awful hill. Thanks to a sumo squat, my partner and I won the first round and then my partner left and so did one of the other competitors, so we dueled each other. We became friends and I genuinely enjoyed playing with her while getting sunburnt. I won the second round and then decided I was exhausted and sat out for 3 hours and watched gentle after gentle trying their hand. Some twelve people wound up competing and while I did not get to engage in any other activities, nor did I see the Taming of the Shrew, which I heard was very well performed by Dame Sophia of Orange-I played one last round against a competitor and won the tournament!

I stayed for the afternoon court and helped clean up with Patronne Murienne and was the recipient of a lovely head ornament of flowers as my prize for winning the tournament. While I enjoyed relaxing and having fun, I also enjoyed getting to know other members like Gwen and Owain Weale and discussing my future in the arts and sciences and how I could go about teaching research skills to other gentles without being pressured to “make” something substantial in the A&S world like a lot of our fantastic calligraphers, wordsmiths, poets, and weavers can do.

Thank you Windmasters Hill for a lovely event and I look forward to attending next year as well.



Sincerely,

Edward Perry

Deputy Baronial Chronicler

## Atlantian Spring Coronation -by Hu Xian, (狐仙)

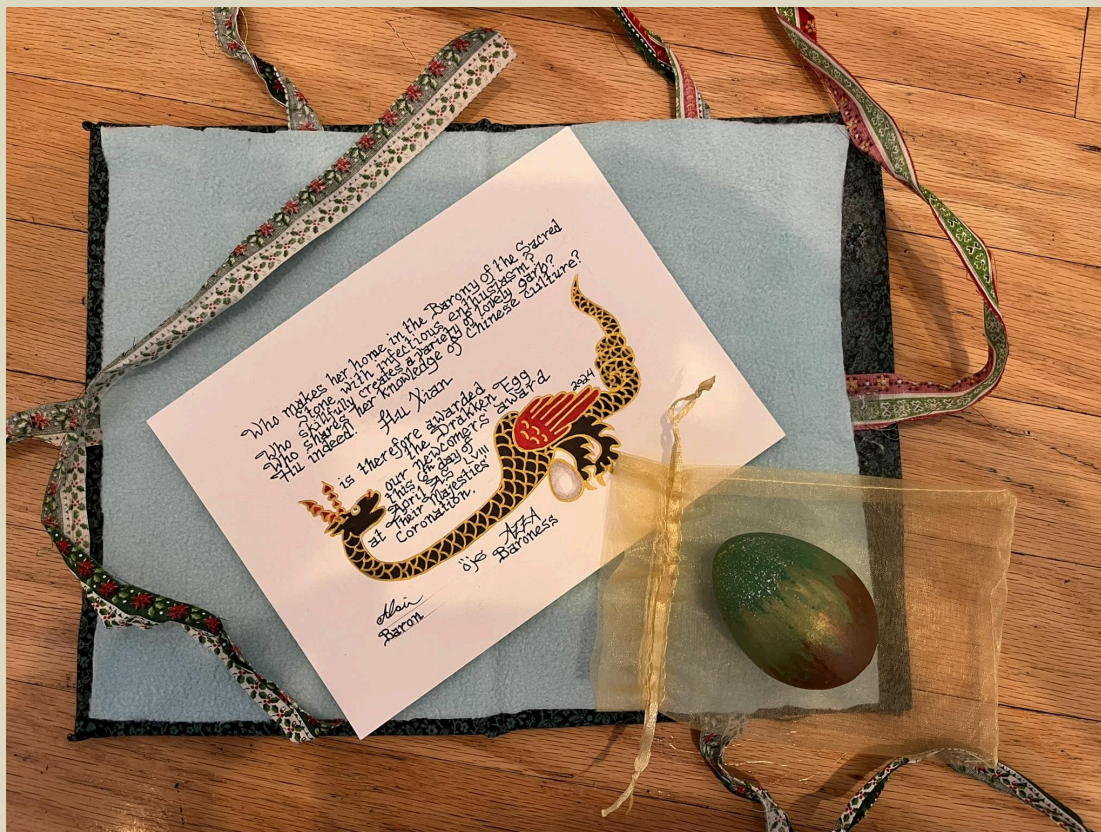


Atlantia coronation was a magical event. My friends from the Woodlands encampment went all out with their hospitality. They provided a sumptuous feast, whimsical games, and a nice warm fire pit. Our newly crowned monarchs hosted the most adorable event ever, a parade of hounds. My mighty Tin Tin wore his medieval caparison with a matching plumed hat and received gentle petting and kind words from their gracious majesties. Tin Tin was rewarded for being an Atlantian hound of renown and was granted two beautiful handmade pieces of clayware modeled after historic artifacts from the fifth and sixth century. My hobby horse and I participated in the 'riding before the prince' dressage competition, which we narrowly won despite fierce competition. My friend Baron Achbar, lent his booming voice to announce the competition, drawing

entrants from across the land. I practiced archery and managed to recover all of my arrows, and my friends from the Woodlands group and a beautiful squirrel-fairy photographer helped me to keep Tin Tin company while I shot.



The noble and kind Baron and Baroness of Sacred Stone recognized me for my recent arts and sciences projects, and graciously granted me the Barony's newcomer's award, along with a gilded Drakken egg and a beautiful scroll. My good friend Lord Allen McFarlane, won the arts and sciences competition with his historically accurate and extremely lethal Tang dynasty spear. He and my friend Ulfr of the Viking, plotted upcoming projects and presentations for the alchemy guild in the beautifully decorated feast hall, adorned for the theme of the hunt. We dined on course after course of beast and fowl while being serenaded by talented bards and musicians. Thank you to everyone who planned and presented this fabulous event! Thank you to all of the kind people who greeted Tin Tin and, (undaunted by his fierce and terrible shedding), gave him gentle pets and kind words. Thank you to my friends who helped look after Tin Tin while I did all of the fun things. And thank you to every single person in the SCA who, dressed in the handsomest and most beautiful period clothing, amazed and amused me with their feats of daring do and lovely artistic talents. All of you make my little world seem a little bit more like a fairytale dream.



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