

The Phoenix

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Upcoming Events in Atlantia

October - 2024

10-04 - 10-06 : Fall Coronation: Randall and Iul'iana :Booneville NC (Atlantia) (Q K Pr P) 🔟

10-13 - 10-20 : War of the Wings :Boonville, NC (Atlantia) (QK)

10-26 - 10-26 : <u>Clash of the Bacchus</u> :Afton VA (Black Diamond)

November - 2024

11-08 - 11-10 : Grit War 2024: A House Divided - Savory vs. Sweet : Apex NC (Ursus Bay) (K)

11-08 - 11-10 : <u>Highland Havoc</u> : Ijamsville MD (Highland Foorde) (Q)

11-15 - 11-17 : Feast of the Narwhal :Trenton SC (Cydllan Downs)

11-15 - 11-17 : <u>Hobbiton: A Buckston Birthday</u>: Apex NC (Buckston-on-Eno) (K)

11-16 - 11-16 : In a Phoenix Eye / Runestone :Lincolnton NC (Sacred Stone)

11-16 - 11-16 : Holiday Faire :Fredericksburg VA (Stierbach)

11-23 - 11-23 : <u>Wild Hunt</u> :Vienna VA (Ponte Alto)

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

Upcoming Sacred Stone Barony meetings Meetings are planned in rotation between the Cantons and baronial lands			
All meetings are at 2:00 pm unless stated otherwise			
September	NO MEETING	NO MEETING	
October 27th, 2024	Home of their	Home of their Excellencies - 228 Jennings Road	
	Excellencies	Statesville, NC	
November 17th,	Charlesbury Crossing	Red Clay Ciderworks - 245 Clanton Rd, Charlotte, NC 28217	
2024			
December 8th,	Middlegate	Chat and Chew Cafe - 10301 N Main St, Archdale, NC	
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Seeking Officers and Deputies!

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

Baronial Clerk Signet

The position involves: Working with the Baron and Baroness for scroll assignments / awards, working with the other scribes of the Barony for handling assignments, working with the MOAS for planning scroll competitions at events, and working with the Baronial Herald.

Minister of the Lists (or deputy)

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. Becoming a deputy is a good way to learn how the office works! Being deputy does NOT mean you are required to become exchequer of the barony in the future, so check it out!

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. Again, being deputy is a great way to learn how the office works, you are not required to step up to seneschal in the future if you are the deputy.

These positions are open for letters of intent. Please send LOI's to: <u>baroness@sacredstone.atlantia.sca.org</u> <u>baron@sacredstone.atlantia.sca.org</u> and <u>seneschal@sacredstone.atlantia.sca.org</u>

Thank you for your interest!

Letter from Their Excellencies

For anyone who might have missed it, Spike is draped in black, Atlantia is in mourning. Sir Roland Brokentooth Wodeman, Baron Dressel of Seven Bends, and Syr Eldon Ungol have left us. Our Phoenix, and our heart, is in ashes. No bold words can change this, no great deeds can alter it, we are left with little more than darkness, tears, and grief. To borrow a line from a song, "The world has grown cold, now that you've gone away." (The Offspring, 1997) feels succinct. The list of names to be remembered was hard enough, without these additions. Even if you know none of these names, if Atlantia is part of your vocabulary, you know people who are suffering from the loss.

To that end, please take a little extra care of each other, be gentle with your fellow compatriots and Known World citizens. We are suffering, emotions are strong, and nerves are raw, bring a bit of extra forgiveness to those needing it. Grief is fickle, it strikes each of us differently, and sometimes the anger and denial, the depression and arguing can spill out, misdirected, at friends. Remember this; it's not really you, it's the grief, and let it go. Now is a time when the most you can offer someone is your compassion and understanding, as they come to terms with irreplaceable loss. In short, love one another.

In the end, this is the best way to honor them, to remember them, to uphold the very spirit of what we grieve the loss of. Honor and courtesy, the foundations of our Society, were what these gentles brought to us, and what we must continue to pass on. The foundations of everything we strive to accomplish was laid by the hands of those who came before us, and it is our place to see these efforts were not in vain, but allow us to leave a stronger base for those who follow. While today's sky is dark and our souls in turmoil, our work is not done; we must continue their's. For this is how our Phoenix shall, indeed, rise again from her ashes, reborn, a testament to those, past, present, and future, who strive to leave this world a little better than they found it.

Look out for each other. Hold one another. Sit with someone in the dark, so you may be a light when they need it. If you are in need, reach out, even a little, you won't have to reach far. Most of all, know that you are loved.

Alain & Azza

Edward's Journey from Asia to Byzantium



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I had the pleasure to attend, for the first time, Sacred Stone's Baronial Birthday at Elchenberg Castle this past month. Her Excellency looked fantastic at morning court in her green shawl and His Excellency looked handsome as always. It was also my first time ever being officially part of event staff-learning from Mistress Aine how to be an effective Event Steward. She took me on as her deputy, and I learned so much on how to coordinate and effectively gather a group of people who could oversee tasks on their own without two much oversight. Indeed, every staff member served as their own little department and the event could NOT have run any smoother.

I learned that I could walk 15,000 steps in one day and not even remember some of the people who were there! I was busy helping set up the field with Meisterin Gisela and helping Countess Brithwynn with finding space in Vingulf and setting up for the Canton of Middlegate's first fundraiser in an exceptionally long time. Our fundraiser luncheon, superbly run by Her Excellency and her family, generated over \$500 in income and allowed the Canton to recoup some of its financial losses over the past few years. We can put that money to effective use by encouraging more martial events (speaking of which, Middlegate could use a Knight Marshal).

After helping in Troll as well and becoming friends with the Woodlands Brigade (love y'all!) I had the privilege to attend my belting ceremony as a Protégé back in Woodlands and Mistress Adair of Makyswell signed our agreement together and she gifted me a beautiful gold leather belt made by the late Sir Roland/Rodney Woods. I will treasure your work sir always and I hope your journey into the hereafter is full of happiness and tiny, adorable kittens. Also, to Scott Bargelt (Baron Dressel of Seven Bends) I loved interacting with you on Discord and it was great to meet you at Sacred Stone Baronial Birthday when you trolled in. What was not as great was the fact that you were injured so severely that you needed my assistance. I am happy to have spent time with you and providing you comfort. I did my best by contacting emergency services as swiftly as possible because what you needed was an ambulance and I could not provide that to you. I mourn your loss this month and hope you are free from pain in your journeys in the hereafter as well. While I was sad about what had happened at SSBB, the event was a success and I was grateful to join my partner in A&S crime (Pagane) who helped me represent Sacred Stone at Caravan Raids: Road to Byzantium at Optimist Farms in Apex, NC. It was wonderful to meet new people, and I enjoyed the games presented by Mistress Mor the Merry and the beautiful music and songs presented by the Spaulding Family. The warriors fought fiercely in contests being overseen by His Highness Randall who was joined by Atlantia's newest knight Skinna-Steinarr. The feast was delightfully prepared by Magister Gaelan Mac Cuinnega'in who definitely did not skimp on the flavor of his wonderful Roman-influenced dishes. As always, I enjoy going to events to meet the populace and look forward to a great Coronation and War of the Wings! Everyone stay safe!

The Barony of Sacred Stone - Meeting Minutes

• No meeting was had in the month of September. Therefore there are no minutes to report this month

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