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BARONIAL EVENTS:

BARONIAL PICNIC!!

Who wants to have a Picnic for the Barony??

WHEN: May 1st, 2022

WHERE: Liberty Lake Park in Bedford.

TIME: 12 NOON -- till everyone leaves or they close the Park.

WHY: Because it's Been a LONG While!

FOOD: Burgers and Hot Dogs and Buns will be Provided.

Bring your own Beverage

Everything else is Up to you -- condiments, side dishes, etc.

This Is Not a Kingdom Event.

This Is just for the Barony of Black Diamond.

It is a chance to get re-acquainted with ourselves and see what we have been up to during the last 2 years.

If you want to wear a Mask that's Just Fine. If you don't, That's Fine Too!

But Ursus I don't have Garb to Wear.... That's Fine Just SHOW UP in your "I'm Naked" T-Shirt!

This is a Social Event.

So, Come and Eat some Meat encased in bread. Cooked by a Crazy Bear.

Talk to people that you may or may not have seen in a LONG while.

See you there !!

Queries / questions can be directed to Lord Ursus at [ldursus\[at\]yahoo.com](mailto:ldursus[at]yahoo.com)

BARONIAL ACTIVITIES:

Business Meeting – 2nd Wednesday each month

Time: 7:30pm – 9:00pm

Location: Virtual Zoom meeting

Contact: Lady Kale Cinnabarrissa (Seneschal)

Info: A meeting to discuss baronial financial and legal details and upcoming activities.

Cyber Tea – Every Tuesday

Time: 8:00pm – 10:00pm

Location: Facebook Barony of Black Diamond page

Contact: Baroness Alys d'Avignon or comment on the weekly announcement post on the Barony Facebook page.

Info: Weekly chat to discuss ongoing activities in the Barony. Comment on the Barony of Black Diamond FB group to be added to the chat

A&S Night – 1st and 3rd Mondays

Time: 7:00pm

Location: ZOOM.

Contact: Lady Genevotte la Feseresse or Baroness Alys d'Avignon

Info: Virtual gathering to discuss and display Arts & Sciences, Scribal, Bardic projects

Fighter Practice –Thursdays

Time: 6:00pm

Location: Ridgewood Park, 0 Hemlock Rd NW, Roanoke, VA 24017.

Contact: Baron Alonzo Falcone

Info: In-person practice of heavy and rapier combat.

ROANOKE Area Activity Details:

Some in-person activities are being resumed at this time. Additional information will be printed as it becomes available.

SEVEN HILLS Area Activity Details:

Return to in-person practices after March 21st

WOLF HILLS Area Activity Details:

All activities suspended at this time.

Other events in the Kingdom

See the Kingdom Calendar for event links and event information.

Royal Progress Events are noted as follows:

Queen (Q), King (K), Princess (Pr), Prince (P)

April - 2022

04-09 - 04-09: Festival of Elvegast: Journey to Avallon: Hillsborough NC (Elvegast)

04-09 - 04-09: Dragon's Fire - A Celebration of St. George's Day: Easley SC (Saint Georges)

04-09 - 04-09: St Paddy's Day Blood Bath: Vienna VA (Ponte Alto) (K)

04-15 - 04-17: Night Under a Faie Moon: Annapolis MD (Lochmere)

04-22 - 04-24: Revenge of the Stitch VII: Chestertown Road MD (Spiaggia Levantina)

04-22 - 04-24: Hidden Mountain Baronial Birthday: Bennettsville SC (Hidden Mountain) (K)

04-30 - 04-30: Performing Arts Workshop: Spartanburg SC (Nottinghill Coill)

LETTER FROM THE BARONAGE

This month we have been busy traveling! We both went to Raven's Cove Baronial Birthday and Baron Alonzo went to Defending the Gate and Coronation. Raven's Cove Birthday was a lot of fun. Baron Alonzo fought a lot of the day and helped marshal for rapier. They picked their Baronial Champions at this event and during one of the fights, the fighters that wanted to become Champion had to sing a song for their Baroness while fighting, which was very entertaining.

Defending the Gate was interesting due to the weather. The fighting was stopped a couple times due to snow and potential storms and court ended up moving indoors. We want to thank everyone for helping with setting up and taking down the dayshade during all the windy weather and for helping others around them that were having issues in the wind. Also, Master Aldemere took on Lady Meriorie Matheson as his first Protégé at Defending the Gate. Congratulations to you both!

At Coronation King Eckehard and Queen Jane stepped down and after the all the Baronage being consulted, King Cuan and Queen Adelhait stepped up as the new rulers of Atlantia. The weather was beautiful for Coronation and there was a lot going on. Baron Alonzo didn't fight but he did help marshal a little bit. We were excited to see that Lady Genevot received an Opal during the evening court.

This month Baron Alonzo will be attending the Isenfir Demo at Stablecraft Brewery on April 9th. There will also be a Boy Scout Expo Demo on April 30th that will need people to help. We will be unable to attend this one, but it looks like it should be a good place to showcase what the SCA and Black Diamond does. If you're interested in attending the Boy Scout Demo or have any questions, please reach out to Lady Agatha. On May 22nd at 8pm the Royal Bards will be holding their Rose & Crown Bardic online with Black Diamond as their hosts and we will both be attending. Baron Alonzo is also planning to go to Ruby Joust at the end of May.

Thank you to everyone who has helped to retain this month. You have all been amazing! If you are interested in retaining for us in any of the upcoming events, please join the Black Diamond Retainer Facebook group to sign up for spots or email baroness@black-diamond.atlantia.sca.org with the timeframes that work best for you. We usually schedule retainers in 2-hour blocks. With Ruby Joust coming up, Baron Alonzo will likely need quite a few retainers to help him out over the long weekend. If you've never retained, let us know and we can always help you learn how to.

It has been wonderful to see everyone at events the last few months and to see everything that has been going on in the Barony. We look forward to seeing you all at some of the upcoming events!

BARONIAL BUSINESS MEETING NOTES

03 - 09 - 2022:

Seneschal –

The Covidsafe Policy restrictions have been lifted from the Kingdom. At this time we are to follow local, state and federal rules for Covid restrictions (if any). IF people choose to wear a mask for their own comfort, do not make fun of them. IF you are asked by a person at Troll, or MOL to wear a mask for the duration of your interaction with them, they are allowed to require that only for your immediate interaction. Private class instructions can require masking, public class instruction can request, not require, masking.

Baronage - Plan to go to Raven's Cove, Coronation, Isenfir Demo, Assessment. Still looking for award recommendations. Also need scroll folders to hold and distribute scrolls.

Yuri represented Black Diamond at KASF and did very well.

A & S – Continuing virtual Zoom A&S meetings at this time.

Chatelaine – ?

Chronicler (Vacant) –

Exchequer – Spent \$10 for checks, \$637 came back to the account. Currently at \$11,617.21. The Financial Policy was submitted to Kingdom Exchequer. It was returned for a couple of line revisions and has been resubmitted for Kingdom approval.

Herald – Nothing to report. Need more Heralds

Knight Marshall – Moving to in-person fighter practice.

Web Master – Needs deputies.

Canton Seven Hills – In-person activities will resume soon.

Wolf Hills – No activity. Encourage participation in virtual activities

CURRENT Business – Request for additional funds in the amount of \$700 for feast at Assessment because restrictions have been lifted. To be voted on at next business meeting.

NEW Business – Ursus proposes a Baronial Social. To be held at Liberty Lake Park in Bedford, on May 1. This is a baronial activity, not a Kingdom level thing. The aim is to provide an opportunity for members of the barony to hang out and get back in touch with each other (being in person in an outdoor setting). Garb is optional, not required. A request for \$100 to fund purchase of hamburgers, hot dogs and buns. Approved by consensus of attending members.

Next meeting: April 13, 2022 7:30pm

Using Zoom link listed in Black Diamond group for meeting.

CANTON MEETING NOTES

03 - 09 - 2022:

Seneschal:

New Covid guidelines from Kingdom

As of 11:59 PM March 12th, no pre-reg required, no proof of vax or neg test, no masks outdoors or indoors. Exceptions: if the person in charge of a specific activity (IE Troll) asks that you mask for the duration of troll, put a mask on. Possibly also MOL and Inspections.

Not Archery Marshal or Rapier Marshal for fighting, only just for close tight quarters for a brief duration. Teaching classes in a common area - no masks. In a private camp, you can required masks. Don't bully anyone for wearing or not wearing a mask. All subject to mundane jurisdiction and laws.

Review of Books with Regional Wednesday Night

Financial Policy to be sent to Kingdom (approved in January) will be sent up to kingdom tomorrow night.

Looking for a Knight Marshal

Any discipline marshal will do.

Upcoming Demos - April 9th Brewery in Waynesboro

Contact Megan Ladd on FB, she's organizing.

Please let Costanca know which fighters are planning to attend

Boy Scout Demo in Swoop - April 30th

Info to be passed along, waiting on response from the Boy Scouts

University to be held in Lynchburg. Approved by Canton financial policy

Aldemere recused, all other voted unanimously in favor

Seeking a deputy autocrat

Seeking fundraiser lunch organizer

Think of classes you'd like to teach or take

MOAS: No report

Exchequer: No Activity

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Review of books this week

Knight's Marshal

Return to in-person practices after March 21st

Next meeting: April 11th, 7:30 pm possibly in person, possibly hybrid. Will be posted on FB page

HEAR YE, HEAR YE, All Populace Encouraged To Acquire An AEL LOG-IN.

SPIKE wants YOU, yes You, to get your AEL Log-In

The Kingdom of Atlantia has a wonderful and complex set of interconnected online systems. Those sites start with your AEL or Atlantian Enterprise Login. The AEL login is used for a wide variety of online participation, including but not limited to:

- University of Atlantia student and teacher signup and class management
- Marshal rosters and warrants
- Making and updating award recommendations
- Getting a copy of your fighter's card
- Polling order watch list participation
- Baronial and Kingdom level pollings
- And much more...

Everything starts and ends with your AEL. It accesses the University of Atlantia web site to sign up to attend classes or as a teacher. Your AEL ID is also used for other on-line Atlantian systems such as retrieving your fighter's card, filing event reports, participating in pollings, etc.

Anyone can sign up for an AEL login. In most cases, the sign up is all that is required. There is no membership or residence requirement involved in general access. This means almost anyone can create and use their login for such things as signing up for University classes or making award recommendations.

In specific areas. SCA membership information is required to participate such as in Baronial pollings and the MoL site to retrieve your fighter's card. A link to your Order of Precedence entry is required for access to Order watch lists and pollings.

There is a guide that explains the details of obtaining an AEL and keeping your information up to date. You are not required to be a subject of Atlantia to receive an AEL. Many non-Atlantian's have logins for University classes or to make award recommendations. This guide is available here:

https://polling.atlantia.sca.org/guides/Getting_Started-v2.pdf

COVID RELATED INFORMATION

From the Kingdom Seneschal:

The COVID pandemic has brought many challenges to Atlantia in the past two years. Throughout this time the Kingdom Seneschal's office has worked closely with the Crowns to determine the best policies for our Kingdom. In every decision the welfare of Atlantia's populace was at the forefront. We cannot know what the summer will bring in

terms of COVID but we can see the brightness of spring and glimmers of summer heat ahead. Every week brings more activities and events to the calendars of the Kingdom and local groups. Every two weeks their Majesties, and now their Highnesses and I meet with the Great Officers. We discuss the business of the Kingdom and especially the needs of the Kingdom. In October we instituted the COVIDSafe policy with an end date of March 12, 2022. That day has come, Atlantia is ending the vaccination and testing requirements, and new policies are now in place. Please take the time to read the new policy, and reach out to your local seneschals with questions.

Sincerely,

Duchess Simone
seneschal@atlantia.sca.org

<https://atlantia.sca.org/revised-atlantian-covid-policy/>

BARONIAL OFFICER VACANCIES:

Note: ALL officers are looking for deputies for their office.



ANNOUNCEMENT:: vacant position – CHRONICLER



The Barony is looking for someone to fill the position of Chronicler. More than one person can work in the Chronicler office. There is a main officer, and there can be one or more deputies. If you are interested, you can contact the Kingdom Chronicler if you have questions about being a chronicler.

The Chronicler is a person who publishes a newsletter for the barony. The newsletter has articles, art and information about activities and events in and around the barony. Often Kingdom and other outside information is included. The Chronicler is also the baronial Historian. A Deputy may handle the duties of Historian for the Barony so long as the Deputy is warranted as Chronicler-at-Large by the Kingdom Chronicler

For a complete rundown on all things Chronicler, see section 6 Policies of the Kingdom Chronicler, The Atlantian Book Of Policy



ANNOUNCEMENT:: vacant position - MINISTER OF LISTS



The Barony is looking for someone to fill the position of Minister of Lists. More than one person can work in the Minister of Lists office. There is a main officer, and there can be one or more deputies. Previous experience not required. Below is a brief description of

the duties of a Minister of Lists. If you are interested, you can contact the Kingdom Minister of Lists if you have questions about being a Minister of Lists.

What exactly IS a Minister of the List (MoL)? A MoL is someone who 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.

For a complete rundown on all things Minister of List, see section 4 Policies of the Kingdom Minister of the Lists, The Atlantian Book of Policy

ANNOUNCEMENT::CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

The E&E is in need of artwork, articles, poetry, stories, recipes, photos from SCA events or activities, etc. If you have something you would like to have published in the E&E, send your submissions to the Chronicler, [chronicler\[at\]black-diamond.atlantia.sca.org](mailto:chronicler[at]black-diamond.atlantia.sca.org) Please include a release form with your submission which allows us to publish your item. Those forms are available at <https://chronicler.atlantia.sca.org/Releases.php>

ANNOUNCEMENT::CALL FOR EVENT BIDS

At this time one event need an Event Autocrat, a Site, and activities
Submit your bids to the Financial Committee for consideration.

ICE CASTLES 2023 for January 28. 2023.
Is open, awaiting a bid.
Deadline to submit bid is October 1, 2022



CAMPFIRESIDE CHAT



Hey all, everyone got a seat? Good, let's talk. No specific topic, this is a space to talk about all things SCA, and SCA related. Like

The Barony needs officers and deputies.

Some of the current Baronial officers are reaching the end of their term in office. A few wish to continue on, some wish to step down. Our officers do not want to leave their

position without having a replacement to step up. If you have an interest in any of the Baronial offices, contact the incumbent officer to find out what they do in their position.

There is also a great need for deputies. Deputies help officers manage that office and the activities related to that office. Any office can have one or more deputies. For additional information on each office, see the Atlantian Book of Policy [<http://atlantia.sca.org/officers/seneschal/governing-documents/>] to find out what the duties and responsibilities are for each office. Any person interested in an office would need to take appropriate classes to be warranted as a deputy.

The Barony needs event autocrats.

What is an Event Autocrat? An event autocrat is a person who has volunteered to run an event (like Ice Castles, King's Assessment, etc). The Autocrat finds a site for the event to be held, organizes martial, A&S and/or bardic activities at the event, and arranges for a feast if appropriate to the event. That is an extremely brief summary of what an autocrat does.

Can anyone be an event autocrat?

Yes. You do not need experience to be an autocrat. It is strongly recommended that you be a deputy autocrat first. As a deputy autocrat, one can learn what responsibilities and expectations are of an autocrat. It is also recommended that you take the Autocrat class offered thru Atlantia University which will explain more of what an autocrat is and does. There is also an Autocrat class offered by the Kingdom DEI officer.

There is always a need for award recommendations. You, the populace, are an important part of getting people recognized for the things they do. TRM and your Baronage rely on others to tell them about wonderful things that people are doing.

How does one get an award?











By the populace making recommendations to the Baronage and the Royals. The Crown and Baronage cannot be everywhere at once so they do not see all the wonderful things that our populace does. Therefore, they rely on the populace to point out those individuals or groups who are doing notable things.

How / where does one make award recommendations?

On the Kingdom of Atlantia website [<https://award.atlantia.sca.org/>] or you can submit an email to your Baronage or the Royals. They will need to know the name, both SCA and mundane, of the person you are recommending, and why you think this person should be recognized (what did they do that caught your attention).



BARONIAL REGNUM

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	Deputy	VACANT	






BARONIAL NOTABLES

ARMORED COMBAT Champion	Lord Bjorn of Black Diamond (Jarrett Lucas)	
RAPIER Champion	Yakikusa no Yuri (Rachael Renalds)	
ARCHERY Champion	Lady Agatha la Sommeliere (Jordan Mcorrie)	
ARTS & SCIENCES Champion	Vacant	
BARDIC Champion	Master Johann von Solothurn (John Surber)	
BARONIAL SCRIBE	Lady Genevote la Feseresse (Jennifer Barringer)	
Baronial Scroll Wrangler	Jocelyn (Jocelyn Elaine)	
Armored Combat Warlord	Lord Torbjorn Joreksson (Jake Perkovich)	
Rapier Combat Warlord	Lord Renard Belmont (Daniel Belton)	

BARONIAL FINANCIAL COMMITTEE

Seneschal, Exchequer, and Black Diamond populace in attendance at a business meeting who are currently paid members of the SCA, Inc. and are at least 18 years of age. Proof of membership must be provided.

CANTON OF SEVEN HILLS

	SENESCHAL	Master Aldermere McRaife (Allen Foster)	awf556 [at] yahoo.com
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	KNIGHT MARSHAL	Sir Conall mac Aodha mhic Reamoinn (Chris Beazley)	
	MINISTER OF ARTS AND SCIENCES	Mistress Sadb ingen Chonchobair	

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