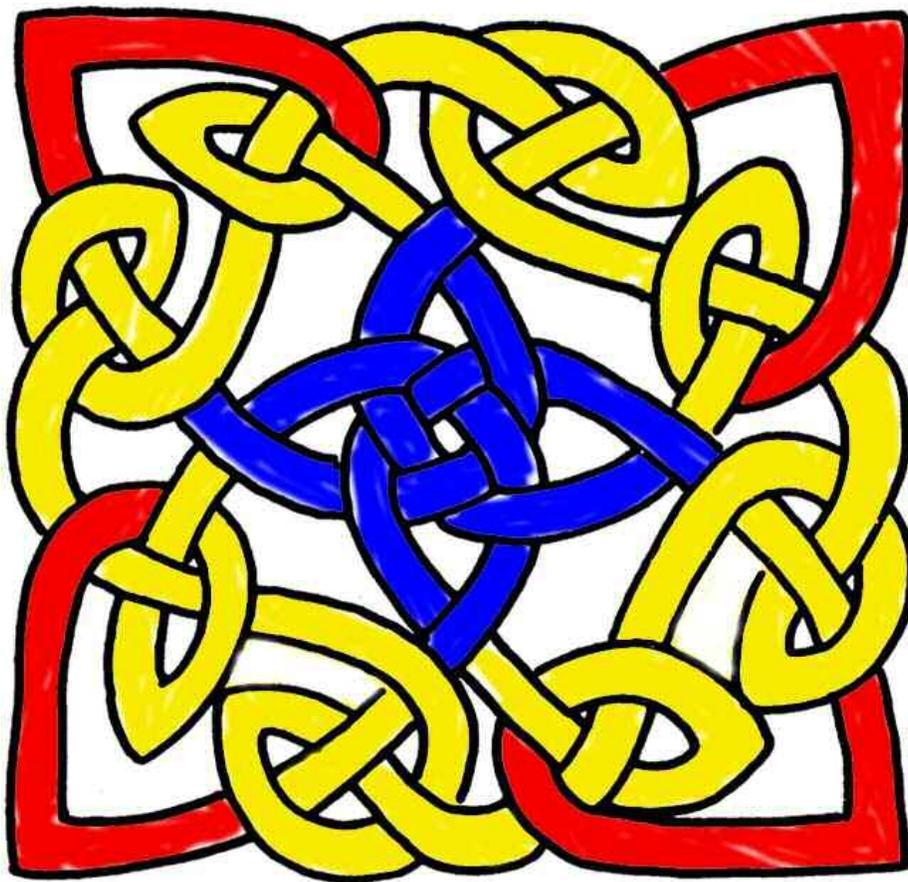


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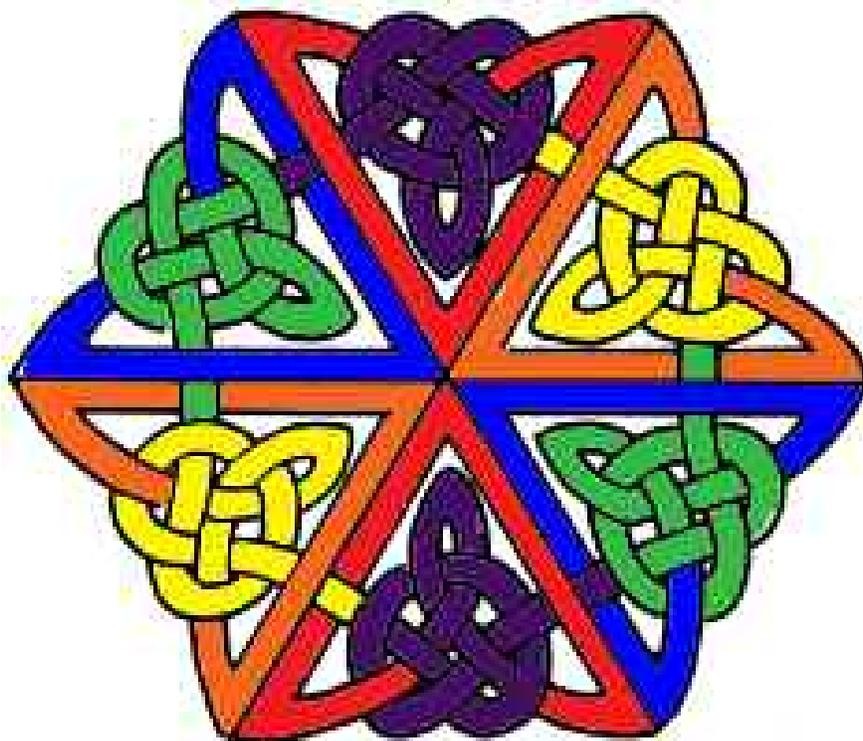


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# Question of the Month

Each issue of the Clyffe Notes features a question. This might ask for your opinion on an issue, or it might ask you to share a story or a memory. Some will be serious, and some will be silly. (Chronicler's Note: Considering who's writing the newsletter, most will probably be silly.) To answer the question, e-mail [chronicler@duncarraig.net](mailto:chronicler@duncarraig.net) .

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Okay, that takes care of the fine print.

Last month's question was "What's the weirdest thing you've ever seen at Pennsic?"

From Adriana Michaels: "Probably the weirdest thing I saw at my first Pennsic was Xena. Not a random Tuchux wench dressed vaguely like Xena, but a tall, dark-haired woman in a full Xena costume. And she actually bore a striking resemblance to Lucy Lawless. This year, the weirdest was probably when someone brought a certain pair of underwear (and autographed, no less) back to camp."

From Lore Bubeck: "The weirdest thing I've seen at Pennsic? That's a toughie. This year? Two VERY done up drag queens (period appropriate of course!) Hmmm, that may be the weirdest thing I've ever seen at Pennsic, but then, I don't get out much! "

So, who are you? (That is, tell us a bit about your persona...)

# A Day at the National Gallery of Art

or

## A Redneck Get's Hisself Some Culture That Wasn't Growing in the Fridge.

By Gwenllian Aynwld

During a recent trip to Washington DC my loving husband indulged me in my favorite destination, the National Gallery of Art, providing he got to geek out over airplanes at the air and space. After wandering around and looking at planes and hearing every last detail of the technical specifications, my torture was over. I had wanted to work on two of my research projects, children's playthings and the ever-popular search for period garb. The National Gallery of Art's collection of Renaissance paintings is wonderful. There are over thirty-two galleries of SCA period art spanning the 13th through the 16th centuries. We (all right just Kier) were able to find several portraits to droll over. Several of which we photographed in the hopes of inspiring garb.

I grew up visiting art museums, attending classical music performances (I have fond memories of Virgil Fox playing the Toccata and Fugue in D on the great pipe organ at the Ocean Grove Auditorium), attending the opera and always vacationing at historic landmarks. Well, Alex did not! He grew up on a chicken farm on the Eastern Shore and at various military bases around the country.

To be honest, in order to entertain my wonderful yet horribly geeky redneck hubby, we played a game. I wish to apologize in advance; we don't mean to offend. The one main theme in Renaissance art is "the Madonna and child" as well as "the Nativity." We spent the afternoon in the galleries looking at the painting of the Baby Jesus and wondering what the babe was thinking, based on the expression the artists gave him. A lot of time he looked like he was thinking about what all babies do in their nappies. I have to admit my personal favorite was the one where a Sheppard was kissing the babies foot. The look on his face said "MOMMMMAAAA!! There is a pedophile priest foot fetishist sucking on my heel." Or the Baby Jesus who looked like Elvis in a 14th century painting. Yes, I know we are going straight to hell, and we are not passing go or collecting \$200. It was fun and he was not begging me to leave. Now I have to figure out a way to get him to the opera, and I will be in Culture Heaven.

While wandering in the Galleries we saw the touring exhibit "Bellini \* Giorgione \* Titian and the renaissance of Venetian Paintings." This exhibit represents sixteenth-century Venetian art, from a period regarded as a Golden Age. This exhibition is focusing on paintings from High Renaissance in Rome and Florence. The exhibition presented approximately sixty paintings that best portrayed the new ideas and ideals: music, the pastoral landscape, the female nude, and the romantic portrait of the Renaissance.

This exhibition is made possible by Bracco, an international leader in diagnostic imaging. Conservators and curators used infrared reflectograms and x-radiography to study the under drawings

and compositional shifts made by Bellini, Giorgione, and Titian beneath the surface of their paintings. It was completely fascinating to see the works of the great masters and the changes they made, the different poses they tried or backgrounds put in or taken out. It was interesting to see the under drawings that were drawn directly on the canvas and mistakes they painted out. (Ooops, did I say mistakes? I meant creativity taken in a new direction.)



We were amazed by the use of color and precious metals and the way the painting seemed to sparkle in the light. While the paintings were gorgeous, it was the technical information on the painting we were the most jazzed about. The exhibits provided examples of the types of paint used and explained the use of oils (introduced in the 1470s) thus producing colors of greater richness and depth. The paintings contained many layers of paint, which also aided with giving them depth. We learned that Giorgione would add ground glass to his paint to give it a brightness and sparkle. (I knew it...GLITTER IS PERIOD!!!)

We had a great time. The national gallery is always a treasure trove of wonderment. You never know is a waiting around the corner. I hope next time you can join us. No, you don't have to play Alex's game.

“Bellini \* Giorgione \* Titian and the Renaissance of Venetian Paintings” .

Schedule: National Gallery of Art, Washington, June 18, 2006–September 17, 2006

Passes: Passes are not required for this exhibition.

On view in the National Gallery's West Building, Main Floor



For further information on the exhibit: <http://www.nga.gov/exhibitions/2006/venice/conservation/index.shtm>

Historical information from Wikipedia\*

“Giovanni Bellini (c. 1430-1516) was a Venetian Renaissance painter, probably the best known of the Bellini family of painters. His father was Jacopo Bellini, his brother was Gentile Bellini, and his brother-in-law was Andrea Mantegna. He is considered to have revolutionized Venetian painting, moving it towards a more sensuous and colouristic style. Through the use of clear, slow-drying oil paints, Giovanni created deep, rich tints and detailed shadings. His sumptuous coloring and fluent, atmospheric landscapes had a great effect on the Venetian painting school, especially on his pupils Giorgione and Titian” (Giovanni Bellini).

“Giorgione (c. 1477—1510) is the familiar name of Giorgio Barbarelli da Castelfranco, one of the seminal artists of the High Renaissance in Venice. Giorgione is known for the elusive poetic quality of his work, and for the fact that only very few (around six) paintings are known for certain to be his work. The resulting uncertainty about the identity and meaning of his art has made Giorgione one of the most mysterious figures in European painting” (Giorgione).

“Tiziano Vecelli or Vecellio (c. 1488-90 - August 26, 1576), better known as Titian (tish'un), was the leader of the 16th-century Venetian school of the Italian Renaissance. He was born in Pieve di Cadore, in the Cadore territory, near Belluno (Vento), in Italy, and died in Venice. During his lifetime, he was often called Da Cadore, taken from the place of his birth. The color titian is derived from the artist's frequent use of brownish orange” (Titian).

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## BARONIAL BUSINESS MEETING

The October business meeting will be held Tuesday, October 3 at 7:30 PM, at the Prince Frederick Public Library.

## BARONIAL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 12TH, 2006

### OLD BUSINESS

#### *New Charter:*

Theron motioned to approve the new charter, Gwennlian seconded. 11 votes in favor, 0 against, 1 abstention.

#### *Demos:*

##### *Annemarie Gardens*

This demo is a Halloween day time safe trick-or-treat for kids (and their parents). It will be October 28 from 11-4. It was designed for small businesses & non-profits to pass out contact info for parents, while giving candy out, giving kids a safe trick-or-treat.. The demo is free, except we have to pass out candy to about 5000 kids. Alex estimates that \$45 worth of tootsie rolls from BJ's will do it. The financial committee approved \$50 for candy for this demo.

We need people to fight rapier & heavy if it's allowed, which Alex is checking on...if not, come clunk around in armor & look spiffy. Bring anything else that "looks neat," garb, A&S, etc.

Alex is in charge of this one; contact him. He's putting together a tri-fold presentation

foam board, in order to get together a demo in a bag.

People can pop in for an hour or two if they can't spend the whole day. Set-up is at 10:00 sharp.

### *Blessing of the Fleet:*

Blessing of the Fleet is Oct 8, the day after Crusades. This makes it a potential conflict for those who are camping. We can do whatever we want for the demo; they'll also give us money for food on site for the day. This demo has gotten new people for the group in the past.

Muirghen is coordinating it. The event itself starts @ 10; we need to get there @ 9 to set up. Muirghen suggests getting there beforehand because parking is lousy—getting a good spot is a nice thing.

### *Pax River Demo*

Rose presented Pax River Demo info for Molly, who couldn't be at the meeting. Because we have two good demos this fall, it was suggested that maybe we need to push a base demo back to early spring. Molly's life is busy due to job switch, school, and such, so she's hesitant to spearhead this demo.

Our paperwork may also have expired for base stuff for this year, but Molly can re-up it pretty quick if need be. Also, if we really want to get on the base this fall, if someone else is gung-ho and wants to run it, she can do the paperwork and pass it off.

The base demo was tabled until someone else decides to grab it, or for Molly or someone else to pick up this spring.

### *Exchequer: Reports on Money Spent*

-Officer badges were purchased at Pennsic & distributed, no shipping, 10% discount. Receipt just has total, however, no real info. Amalia will give her credit card statement with actual info to Serena for reimbursement.

-The purchase of a tent repair kit was discussed at the officers' meeting, Muirghen found a nice kit, and Alex has contact with a company that makes vinyl signs, the exact same material as the tent. He wants to see about picking up scraps from them, so that we can get glue & make a repair kit.

Mindy showed off water bottles at officer meetings...look like they'll work for fighters for waterbearing...looking at having color-coded sets so that Gatorade stays separate... replacing once a year to keep them from getting germ and nasty. \$14 for six...good-sized bottles (liter-ish), squeeze bottles

They'll go up just prior to B-Day.

Money was designated for Quartermaster to purchase or make containers to store baronial "stuff." Lore donated heavy canvas, so Jim will see what he can make from that first, before spending money; that expenditure might be on hold for a bit.

Muirghen donated the lumber, and \$40 was approved to fix the list fence. Theron volunteered to head up the effort to get that fixed.

***Birthday:***

Planning meeting **Sunday Oct 1<sup>st</sup>, 2pm.**

Serena is working on site tokens, hopefully done by meeting.

Adriana asked for clarification on the status of the list fence, and Theron explained that it is still usable, but needs painting and other repairs, but that it's fine to be used for Birthday.

We still need people to pass out flyers at events, especially Crusades.

Please talk up the event at events and on mailing lists that you are on; Adriana will be sending out a generic short form that can be sent to mailing lists. (**Chronicler's Note: It's gone out to the mailing list and the news list.**)

Alex will be doing up a flyer more targeted to new people. (**Chronicler's Note: Alex has finished the flyer, and it's available on the web page.**)

Muirghen has kindly volunteered to run a youth archery class; it will probably run during heavy fighting as that works for his schedule.

We did not get our extra month of advertising in the Acorn. Adriana has followed up with the kingdom chronicler, and we will get a refund and will get some free advertising for another event. Kiri suggested using that for Middle Eastern.

We could really use more classes for children; Molly's tentatively teaching one class on court etiquette). The class will be open to all kids, but will also qualify as an Atlantia page class.

Philip can't teach his class on court heraldry as he will be on work travel; it was suggested that one of the other heralds could do it. The time is whenever the kind volunteer, whoever he or she may be, wants to teach it.

Another suggested class is one on taking garb from movie and making it good, or telling good from bad garb. Kiri has some garb patterns that are a mix of good and bad, which she would be willing to lend out for a potential class.

Rose is cooking,. Phillip was going to work with her, but can't because of work travel. Rose would really like an assistant. She has plenty of people in the kitchen day of, and can leave if she needs. What she really needs is someone to help keep her on track with planning—helping her to remember to find recipes, buy food, get things together. This could be an opportunity for newer cooks to give that a whirl. Matt has officially been nudged by Hank and Kiri to do this one. (Cathal will be too, but he wasn't at the meeting.)

As a fundraiser, we'd like to sell Spike tattoos at troll. It was mentioned that Molly currently has them.

### **Middle Eastern Event**

Lore has been out of town, and didn't make it to the meeting. The date is set now at Feb 17. The site already has us reserved for that date, and the contract is set up, but Lore needs to meet with the seneschal to get it signed.

### **Challenge**

Mathias and Alex are still trying to nail down a site. Mathias went and talked to people at King's Landing. On the version of the contract we got from county office, we're not supposed to collect money. Basically their thing is that we can't collect money from Joe Schmoie at a public park, but can collect money from our own members. But, we cannot put that distinction on the contract because of county regs, however.

The other major issue was question of return of deposits and the timeliness thereof. Mathias talked w/ Jackie; they can't promise a date because they're a governmentt office

& “they just don’t do that.” If Mathias calls the Monday following and reminds them, we should be able to get it back w/in a couple weeks.

The major concern with the possibility of a deposit refund being late is that the deposit can’t be included in the event report if it’s not there within 30 days. Last Challenge’s deposit, being returned late, went in as a donation rather than as part of the event report. If the event is near break-even range, that difference can make it a loss vs. a profit. If we continuously go in the hole on events, that will raise a red flag, and kingdom will start questioning.

We can also attach a note to the financial report that deposit has been promised & is on the way, to document that.

For the park, we’re expected off-site at sundown, so have extra fee/penalty for that. There’s one potential way to get camping; what Mathias and Alex found as the easiest way to deal with the park’s rules system is for the youth/pages to adopt a cabin. Those are available for youth groups or groups w/ a youth division. They work on maintenance for the cabin, roof work, shingles replaced, etc. (Adults do most of work, of course.) If you adopt a cabin for a year, you get 2 free weekends of camping (all cabins and field tenting space) that year. We’d have to scrounge materials, as we can’t use baronial funds for this.

Alex estimates that 3 or 4 adults could do it in a weekend. We can camp the weekend we’re working, and not count it toward one of the 2 weekends. It was pointed out that this might still be worthwhile even if we don’t use site as good PR with county towards other county sites, or other PR.

Mathias is also looking at getting together with Izaak Walton League (the Birthday site). The site costs roughly the same, \$500-600 range. Camping w/ IW is iffy, however. Sue, who’s in charge of hall rentals, said that she’d need to get in touch with the board and get back to us. They’re trying to set up a chance for us to go look at it.

As far as the stove at King’s Landing, the stove has been fixed but the county won’t allow us to use it without going through classes. (More than one class... 10 to 12 one-hour sessions.)

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### *Storage Shed*

The idea of renting a storage unit to hold baronial stuff was brought up.

Some prices from Bozhana on one:

5x5 \$45

10x20 \$151

The contract must be in a person's name, not the barony's.

Another idea was to get a shed and put it on someone's property. We would need someone willing to store it on their property and allow access to it. (We'd draw up a formal contract spelling out that the shed belongs to the barony and that barony members will have access to it.)

Some shed options:

8x7.5 750 plastic shed

-expansion kits available, will no rot, easily transportable.

8x8 elsewhere for 6-650 online.

One even said they had a 15 year warranty. There was also a question on shipping costs, which would need to be checked on.

One item being stored would be list fence, which has 8' lengths. It would also need to be watertight for the cook gear.

Anyone looking at sheds should check height as well as other dimensions.

Allocating house space to items requiring climate control (food, wooden bowls) was suggested, and less fragile items could go in shed.

In terms of price, a storage shed would be cheaper than a rented storage unit in less than a year. The downside is that we could rent a larger storage unit if needed, but couldn't necessarily upgrade a shed once it's purchased.

It was pointed out that we need to look at current bank balance and expenses in the foreseeable future too.

## Straw Poll for New Seneschal

There was a discussion on the voting process for straw poll for seneschal. . .open vs. private. Regional & kingdom will decide; they want a straw vote from the populace. The point was made that the discussion should be open, but several people suggested doing the vote itself by private ballot.

The group also discussed proxies versus voting at the meeting only. The fact that that there are people who frequently can't be at meetings was also brought up, and the need to make sure that people who can't be there can vote via a private proxy. Also discussed was the question of whether someone who isn't active with the barony should have the same say as someone who is, and the concern that not being present at the meeting where an issue is discussed can give a person an incomplete understanding of that issue.

Timetable for seneschal polling:

September 26th—last call for letters of intent to Rose and Johanna

October 3—Theron will run the business meeting, as Mathias ran the September one. Somewhere in mid-October (8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, or 10<sup>th</sup> –ish) we'll have a separate open forum to have people ask questions of candidates. Paper will be available for those who want to vote then and there.

October 20th to 28th, or thereabouts—Votes are to be submitted to Rose some time within this window. Input taken from anyone and everyone, whether they make it to the prior or not.

Rose encouraged the barony members to remember that this is a straw poll, not a binding vote, and the decision ultimately rests with the regional and kingdom seneschals. Because of this, it's important to give reasons as part of your vote, not simply list who you think should be seneschal. Theron mentioned that when he completed his baronial polling, he listed strengths and weaknesses, but didn't rank the three candidates. The then king and queen actually called him up, thanked him for doing that, and asked questions for further info.

Muirghen volunteered his house as a location for the separate meeting for questions and discussion with seneschal candidates. The location was chosen because it is relatively central in the barony. Matthew and Adriana mentioned that, regrettably, although Matt's parents' place in Mechanicsville is even more central, volunteering their house was probably not an option.

## **OFFICERS' REPORTS**

### ***B&B:***

The baron and baroness announced that they will be stepping down, effective in February at the Middle Eastern event, where a new Baron and/or Baroness will be elevated. Their complete letter of resignation is found after the meeting minutes.

### ***Castellan:***

Alex has been in contact with two Boy Scout groups who were interested in demos and is currently waiting for them to contact back. Jonathas mentioned that in the past, some Scout Groups have asked for demos but really wanted entertainment for a dinner of some sort. (And Kier pointed out the near-impossibility of holding kids' attention when food is involved.

Other demos were discussed earlier and are listed under "New Business."

Alex is also working on "demo in a bag," a trifold with pictures, and a demo kit with business cards, flyers, and such, which will be kept together to allow demos to be put together quickly.

### ***Chirurgion:***

Not present, no report sent.

### ***Chronicler:***

Adriana reports that she purchased some new clip art books for use with her office. Also, she reports that the kingdom chronicler now has a deputy who will be in charge of making sure that newsletters are completed, reports turned in, etc.

### ***Knight Marshal:***

Theron announced that at an event in the near future, we'll be having a "marshal's day," where the marshals and MITs will attend an event in another barony as a group to help out, and to help get our MITs further along the path to being warranted. He also pointed out that we still are in need of more marshals and that **\*\*anybody\*\*** can be a youth marshal. It's the only marshaled activity where you aren't required to be authorized in that activity before becoming a marshal.

## *A&S:*

Muirghen is currently revamping the A&S classes. He also wants to point attention the challenge/contest given to the populace via the mailing list. This is a question to consider and respond to: Are we living the dream, and what does that mean to you? Muirghen asks that you send input privately, not to the list. He will be getting people outside the barony to judge this, and a prize will be given as part of Birthday court. A repost of the contest e-mail to the list was requested. (**Chronicler's Note:** After the meeting, Muirghen reposted the contest information.)

## *MOL*

No MOL, no report.

## *MOM*

Gwenllian will post youth activities for Birthday this week. She thanks Hank for the youth archery class. Molly's thinking about trying to find an hour for youth/page courtliness/court behavior class.

Gwenllian is restructuring all wording of classes as "youth class...meets the requirements for Atlantian pages." The hope is that kids who aren't pages will also come.

Gwenllian will post a wishlist of things she needs for her office.

-Someone to teach another class would be awesome.

-It would be cool to offer youth A&S...illumination, chainmail, etc.

-Kier needs prizes for kids games & A&S. She does have the velvet color your own poster as one prize.

-She will be purchasing some supplies for Birthday, sticking to the \$20 budget

-Kier also needs cardstock, which Matt & Adriana and Bobbi have and will give her some.

We'll be offering kids A&S competition at Birthday.

If you have a class you could teach the kids, we're trying to bring in more youth; lots of older kids don't come because there's not as much for them to do.

## *Herald:*

Mathias is finally warranted...yay. There's not much going on at the moment; he wants

anyone who's submitting names or devices to let him know. You don't have to go through him, but let him know so he can track it and harass people. Isolda & Gorm put stuff in at Pennsic. Phillip & Kiri had submissions returned, and Kiri's has gone back through kingdom. Matt submitted name & device at Pennsic.

Theron is the deputy herald. He does court heralding and would like to help train people who are interested in court heraldry. Theron has done heralding for royalty. He also has seen lots of the same mistakes, so can help people iron that out. Some quick pointers:

- ◆ Don't judge a brewing competition beforehand.
- ◆ Learn to pronounce the queen's name before court.

Kiri also heralds & offered to help those who are interested..

## *QM*

Baronial "Stuff" is on a spreadsheet; Mathias will put it on the website. People can look and see what we actually have on-line.

Since his notes are getting dated, Mathis needs another round of checking to keep them current.

Container stuff was mentioned earlier.

Exchequer – See Bobbi's e-mailed report.

If your membership info is not up to date (Bobbi has list if you want to check), you can no longer vote on financial matters if you aren't a current SCA member.

Seneschal and chronicler are supposed to have those lists. (Bo gave them to Bobbi; she will make sure Rose has it.)

At Birthday, Bobbi is head troll. She would really appreciate help. You need to take class if you haven't already. Drop her an e-mail, and you can arrange a mutually agreeable time.

FYI on bringing other peoples' kids. You have to have a notarized form, not just a signature, a **\*\*notarized\*\*** form. Kingdom is becoming much more serious about enforcing this.

Our current account balance is \$1885, not including any income from Birthday and Feb **\*\*royal progress\*\*** Middle Eastern.

The barony might want one of our members to become a notary...since we need all sorts of....stuff notarized. It would be really handy. Jen has been one and might be someone to

get further info from.

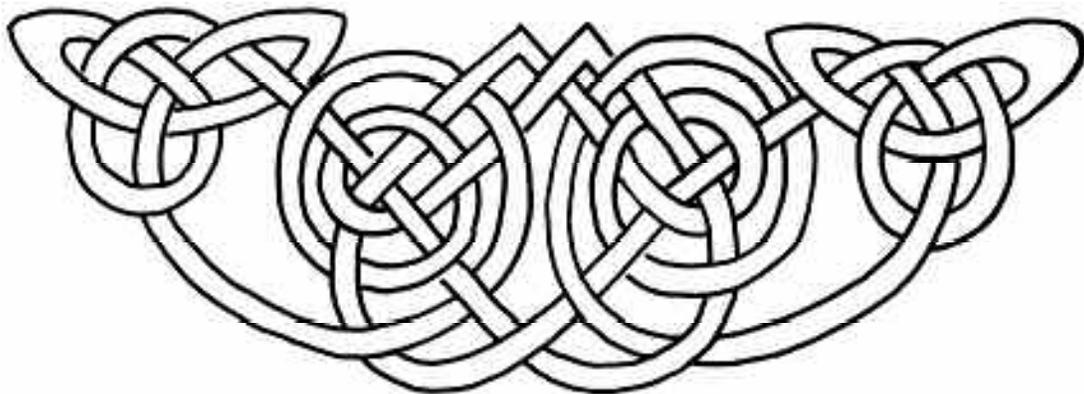
*Seneschal:*

Rose sent her warrant paperwork off on Monday morning; she's hoping she can sign contracts prior to Friday. Things may need to be kept hanging. Bo can sign a contract if absolutely necessary. She says "hi;" she's doing all right.

For the bank account, we have a number of people who can sign checks: Bo, Bobbi, Jen Conti & Hank. So we can still continue signing checks, even with two signatures. Rose sees no point in putting herself as a signature on checks, since she intends to be out by Birthday.

Because of the large officer shuffle coming up, Rose requests that we all keep a handle on tempers, and extend kindness to each other. She also pointed out that it's a good time to start thinking about what jobs in the barony might interest you. As jobs are filled, other jobs might come open, if people with existing positions shuffle into a new one. This is the time to think about what interests you and what you can help with.

If you are turning over a position, please make sure to give all information and office-related stuff to your successor in a nice, organized fashion. Make sure you're filing your reports, completing your job, and preparing any passdown stuff if you're leaving.



## TO DUN CARRAIG FROM BARON JONATHAS AND AMALIA.

To start, we would like it known that our decision has been made since the Tuesday after Pennsic and isn't related to any other events.

We are stepping down.

Countless misunderstandings over the years have taken their toll on our love for the society, and Dun Carraig no longer feels like home. We would be glad to discuss our history and reasoning for stepping down, should anyone desire.

We spoke to His Majesty, who understands why we are stepping down. He would like to hold an investiture at our February event, as he already has commitments for the weekend of Baronial Birthday in November.

The future holds:

1. Johanna will be conducting a polling.
3. The Baronial regalia will be handed over to the new BnB.
4. We will still hold court at Birthday and perform our minimal BnB duties until the investiture.
5. The Barony will need to:
  - a. Find a home for the kitchen gear, signs, archery net, etc.
  - b. Find a new meeting site.
  - c. Find a caretaker for the web page.
6. Amalia will remain reservationist for Birthday, due to the difficulty of changing already published contact information. Jonathas will remain MIC as he has already committed to do.
7. A Kingdom archery practice will still be held at our home every Thursday.
8. Our friends are welcome in our home any time.
9. We'll still be traveling to many events. We would enjoy the company of our friends on the road, or at the event.

We hope that one day Dun Carraig again feels like home.

In Service to the Crown and the Dream,  
Jonathas and Amalia

**(Chronicler's Note:** The preceding letter was edited by Baron Jonathas and Baroness Amalia from the letter that was read at the business meeting, and was submitted for inclusion in the newsletter on September 13.)

## *BARONIAL DOCUMENTS*

In the pages that follow, you will find our baronial financial policy, which was made official with its printing in the August Clyffe Notes, as well as the new baronial charter, which was approved at the September Business Meeting and is now official.

## THE BARONIAL FINANCIAL POLICY

Dun Carraig Financial Policy  
Effective: 24 July 2006

### I. Concerning this Policy

- A. All provisions of this Policy are subject to Kingdom Law & Corpora.
  - 1. The Financial Policy for the Barony of Dun Carraig is established in order to provide adequate control of the financial transactions of the Barony. This Policy is superceded by Kingdom Exchequer Policy, Kingdom Financial Policy, Kingdom Law, Society Exchequer Policy, Corpora, State, and Federal Law.
- B. This Policy may be amended as follows:
  - 1. A proposed amendment must be submitted to the Financial Committee for review.
  - 2. After review by the Financial Committee, all amendments must be presented to the populace at a Baronial business meeting with the Financial Committee's recommendations. A vote will be taken of the entire populace present who are paid members residing in Dun Carraig aged 16 years or older of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc. each having 1 vote.
  - 3. When approved by the populace, it then is forwarded to Regional and Kingdom for final approval. When approved by Kingdom, the amendment shall take effect upon publication in the next issue of the newsletter.

### II. Disbursement of Funds

- A. Signatories on all Baronial accounts shall be the Exchequer & Seneschal. A third Officer will be designated by the Exchequer and Seneschal as an emergency signatory in the event the Seneschal is unavailable.
- B. The Barony shall have a Financial Committee, constituted by an odd number of members, which is chaired by the Exchequer and consists of the Seneschal; Chronicler; Herald; and the current Baronage. In the event that the Barony has both a Baron and Baroness, both will be members of the Financial Committee but they vote as a single member.
  1. The minimum number of votes to authorize the distribution of funds shall be three. The Exchequer and Seneschal must be present.
  2. In the event that any of the committee members cannot attend a meeting of the Financial Committee, their Deputies (as designated and published in *Clyffe Notes*) may attend in their stead.
    - a. No proxies will be accepted.
    - b. Under no circumstances will any single member carry more than one vote.
  3. If the Financial Committee meeting attendees consists of an even number of members, the requirement to maintain an odd number of members will be met by placing the MoL on the committee for that meeting.
    - a. If there is no MoL at the time of the meeting, the Knight Marshal will fulfill the requirement.
  4. In the case of any tie votes, the issue at hand will be tabled pending discussion at an open business meeting.
- C. Authorization for disbursement of funds
  1. Disbursement for routine expenses (e.g. rental of meeting rooms) incurred through scheduled events, newsletter publication, or contractual obligations will be authorized in the following manner:
    - a. Purchases of supplies for an Office which do not exceed \$20 may be made without prior approval; however, the Exchequer retains the right to withhold reimbursement. This decision may be appealed to the Seneschal.
    - b. Purchases or obligations for the Barony which do not exceed \$50 require the prior approval of the Seneschal and the Exchequer.
    - c. Purchases or obligations for the Barony in excess of \$50 but which do not exceed \$300 require approval by a simple majority of the Financial Committee.
    - d. For expenses over \$300, the Financial Committee will make its recommendation to the populace at a Baronial business meeting. The populace will then vote as a committee of the whole with those who are paid members

residing in Dun Carraig aged 16 years or older of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc. each having one vote.

- e. For purposes of determining eligibility for voting in financial matters, a roster of paid members shall be kept by the Seneschal and/or Chronicler. The roster shall include Modern Name, SCA Name (when possible), Membership Number, and Expiration Date.
  - f. For event related expenses the Autocrat is considered to be a deputy to the Seneschal. Before funds can be disbursed, the Autocrat must specify to the Exchequer where on the budget that the expense falls.
  - g. No proxies will be accepted for anything financial.
2. For reimbursements, all receipts for event related expenses shall be turned into the Exchequer within seven days of the event completion.
  3. For cash advances, all receipts and remaining cash shall be turned into the Exchequer within seven days of the event completion.
  4. The Exchequer and Financial Committee shall report all approved expenses or obligations at the Baronial business meeting following their disbursement.

#### D. Event Refund Policy

1. If a person has paid for a Dun Carraig event but is unable to attend, he or she may request a refund from the Barony within seven days of the event completion. The Barony may, at its discretion, issue a full or partial refund. Such decisions will be made on a case-by case basis, by a refund committee consisting of an odd number of the following; the exchequer, the seneschal, and the event autocrat.
2. When determining whether or not to issue a refund, this refund committee will take into account the following:
  - a. Did the event make a profit? (No refunds will be issued for an event that did not turn a profit, nor will refunds be issued that cause the Barony to take a loss for any event.)
  - b. What is the nature of the situation that caused a refund request? (In general, a refund will only be considered when circumstances beyond a person's control prevent his or her attending the event or feast.)

#### E. Waiving Event Fees

1. Event fees may be waived for the following event attendees; the King, Queen, Prince, Princess, Autocrat, and Head Cook. To waive the fees of additional attendees, the waiver of fees must be approved by the Financial Committee with justification/ documentation for the additional names in writing and added to the Final Event Report.

# BARONIAL CHARTER

(approved at the September Barony Meeting)

Dun Carraig Baronial Charter  
Revised: 9/06

## I. Concerning this Charter

- A. All provisions of this Charter are subject to Kingdom Law & Corpora.
  - 1. Any portions of this Charter which are found to be in conflict with Kingdom Law and/or Corpora will be immediately suspended until amended by the Barony using standard amendment procedures.
  - 2. The remainder of this Charter shall remain in effect.
  - 3. The action will be published in the next issue of the newsletter.
- B. This Charter may be amended as follows:
  - 1. A proposed amendment must be submitted at a Baronial business meeting.
  - 2. If the consensus of the meeting is that the proposed amendment is a good idea, a meeting shall be selected at which to conduct a vote.
  - 3. The proposed amendment shall be published in two issues of the newsletter before the meeting designated for the vote. If approved by 60% of those voting, it shall take effect upon publication in the next issue of the newsletter. A member unable to attend may send a written opinion to the meeting to be counted in the vote.

## II. Baronial Heads

- A. There may be either a Baron, a Baroness or both.
- B. The Baron and/or Baroness shall serve for a term of two years. At the end of the term the Baron and/or Baroness may request to serve another term provided it is not in violation of Kingdom Law and is the desire of the group and the Crown for them to do so.
- C. Candidacy for Baronial Heads
  - 1. Candidates may be self-nominated or nominated by another person.
    - a. All nominations must be made at a Baronial business meeting designated for that purpose.
    - b. If a potential candidate is not present at the meeting where s/he is nominated, the Seneschal shall inform them of their nomination.
    - c. If the candidates choose to accept their nomination, it must be done so in writing, to the Seneschal, by the next Baronial business meeting.
  - 2. Persons nominated to serve as a couple must agree to do so.
  - 3. All candidates must agree in writing to the provisions within the Charter for term of office and selection of successors, and must pledge to maintain them.
- D. Polling to determine the membership's preference for Baronial Heads shall be conducted as prescribed by Kingdom Law and no less than 4 months before the planned investiture.
  - 1. Pollings, in accordance with Kingdom Law, shall be sent to all members of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc., who reside within the ZIP codes belonging to Dun Carraig. Each polling shall contain the names of all candidates, a deadline date for returning pollings, and a signature line.
  - 2. Pollings will be sent to associate members of Dun Carraig who request a polling and are members of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc. Pollings will be sent at the associate member's expense. The Seneschal shall send to the Crown a list of all associate members requesting pollings prior to the polling deadline.
  - 3. Dun Carraig shall request that the Crown determine their choice as the new Baron and/or Baroness within a month after the polling deadline and that the choice be communicated to the Dun Carraig Seneschal in order to facilitate an orderly transition.
- E. If half of a Baronial couple cannot fulfill a term, the other individual may elect either to serve the remainder of the term alone or to resign. If a sole Baronial head or both members of a couple cannot fulfill a term, a Regent shall be recommended to the Crown by the outgoing Baron and/or Baroness with the consensus of the Barony.
  - 1. The Regent shall serve until a polling can be completed and a new Baron and/or

Baroness invested.

2. Time spent as Regent shall not affect eligibility to serve term(s) as Baron or Baroness.

### III. Orders and Awards

- A. All Baronial Orders and Awards are granted at the discretion of the Baronage.
- B. None of the Baronial Orders are polling.
- C. A person may only be inducted into each of the Baronial Orders once.
- D. Order of the Sea Hawk – Shall be the pre-eminent order of the Barony and shall be granted to those who have proven themselves to be stalwarts of the Barony for supporting Dun Carraig through their efforts and skills in a varied and diverse means. Badge of the Order: “(Fieldless) Three sinister wings conjoined in pall inverted argent.”
- E. Order of the Company of the Wayfarers – Shall recognize members of the group who no longer reside within the Barony. Badge of the Order: “(Fieldless) On a compass star within and conjoined to an annulet gules a cross bottony argent.”
- F. Order of the Emerald Flame– Shall be given to those who show on going excellence in the Arts and Sciences.
- G. Order of the Garnet Tower– Shall be given to those who show on going excellence in Service.
- H. Order of the Silver Blade - Shall be given to those who show on going excellence in any marshaled activity.
- I. Mark of Excellence – shall be given for a specific achievement or action within the Barony. There is no limit to the number of times an individual may receive this award. On an individual's first award they should receive the token of the award, plus the bead to denote what it is for. For each successive award the individual should only receive an additional bead to denote what it is for.
  1. Carraig Uaine (Green Stone) – Bead given to denote a specific Arts and Sciences achievement.
  2. Carraig Deirge (Red Stone) – Bead given to denote a specific service or action.
  3. Carraig Gile (White Stone) – Bead given to denote a specific achievement in any marshaled activity.
- J. Baroness' Award of Courtesy – Awarded to an individual who has repeatedly demonstrated exceptional courtesy to others.
- K. Company of Dun Carraig's Champions – A company for those who have served as any of the Baronial Champions. In addition to a token from the Baronage they served, a medallion of red and white; Heater and Sword (armoured), Buckler and Sword (rapier), drawn Bow and Arrow (archery), Lantern (A&S), others as the Baronage desires.

### IV. Baronial Business Meetings

- A. Baronial business meetings shall be scheduled to occur monthly. Additional meetings may be scheduled as needed.
  1. The meeting shall be conducted by the Seneschal or his designated proxy.
  2. Minutes of all meetings shall be published in the newsletter.
- B. The date, place, and time of the meetings shall be published in the newsletter. However, if time does not permit the publishing of the date, place and time of an emergency meeting then a reasonable attempt shall be made to contact all members of the Barony prior to the meeting.

### V. Unofficial Modes of Communication

- A. The disbursement of all unofficial communications within the Barony shall be limited to members and associate members of the Barony.
- B. Exceptions may be granted with the approval of a simple majority at any Baronial business meeting.

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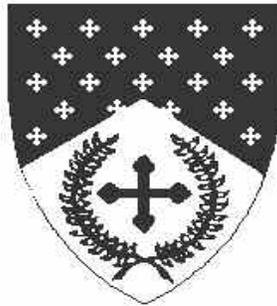
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