

The Drekkar

Newsletter of the Barony of Storvik

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University Teachers:

February 2, 2008 is the next Atlantian University, in the Shire of Berley Cort. At time of publication there are four known members of Storvik teaching classes. William the Younger is teaching class 119: Youth Armored Combat Marshal 101 and 219: Making a Youth Combat Division One Weapon. Tirzah MacCradden will be teaching class 311: Knife Skills 101. Mori Matsunomae will be teaching class 517: Gold vs Paper. Sonya Flicker will be teaching class 601: English Country Dance.

Barony Events Calendar:

Yule Revel: January 5, 2008

Performer's Revel: February 9, 2008

Kingdom Events Calendar:

Kingdom 12th Night: January 12 in Salesberie Glen

Midwinter's Tale 2008: January 19 in Border Vale Keep

Fool's Twelfth Night: January 19 in Crois Brigitte

Ice Castles: January 26 in Black Diamond

Manannan mac Lir: January 26 in Tear-Sea's Shore

Inter-Baronial Twelfth Night: January 26 in Tir-y-Don

Midwinter's Revel: January 26 in Lochmere Winter University: February 2 in Berley Cort

Ymir: February 8-10 in Elvegast

Bright Hills Baronial Birthday: A Feast of Fools: February 9 in Bright Hills

Estrella War XXIV: February 12-18 in Atenveldt

Candlemas: February 16 Middle

Southern Regional War Practice: February 16 in Aire Faucon

Missive from the Baron and Baroness:

Greetings to Storvik! The winds of winter are blowing, and the days grow short. As we approach the time of mid winter celebrations. We want to wish all of you the blessings of the season; joy and good fellowship.

We have returned from our sojourn in the Kingdom of Lochac, and are flinging ourselves back into SCA activities. We attended UnEvent, and went to as many sessions as we could. Along with a lot of our officers (Thank you William, Mori, Tirzah, and Patricia- plus Johanna and anyone else I left out) I think all of the major sessions were covered.

During the upcoming weeks we intend to attend the following events:

- **Revel Without a Cause**
- **Our Yule Revel** - remember that annual taxes are due (traditionally a peppercorn)
- **Kingdom 12th Night**
- **Our Performer's Revel** -- remember that this event is by reservation only - so get yours in soon! For those who are not performers, we would encourage you to attend Our Cousin in Bright Hills Baronial Birthday the same day

The end of February sees the Investiture of our Cousins of Ponte Alto Lord Jurgen Göttsfurböter and Lady Flora de Bayeaux.

We want to encourage everyone to attend the Kingdom A&S Festival in March. This Festival promises to be entertaining and fun! We are willing to coordinate a Stovik group display - and to carry your items with Us if you are unable to attend.

Lastly, We want to thank you for all of your thoughts and prayers during our son's recent illness. He is recovering well, and will be returning to fighter practice soon.

Peace and Good Health to All!

Rorik and Janina

Baron and Baroness Storvik

Introduction from the New Chronicler:

As you may be able to tell the Drekkar is under new management. I wish to greet the populous of Storvik! I am Mori Matsunomae and have been in our Society for about 10 years give or take. During the first weekend of December, I had the honor of receiving my warrant to become your new Chronicler. Shortly after the December meeting, I promptly got sick and behind at work. No real excuse for the delay in the Drekkar and I will endeavor to do better in the future.

The next issue will be prettier as I get the kinks worked out. In this issue I present the November minutes, the December minutes, the calendar, a missive from the Baron and Baroness, a poem a friend of mine wrote, and some rapier drills that same friend wrote. I will also solicit opinions and artwork and articles for future issues.

The Calendar

The following has been taken from the Website. People hosting or opening buildings are encouraged to update the information with the webminister.

Arts & Sciences Social: January 18 and February 15. It is traditionally held the Friday after the Business Meeting in the basement of the College Park Church of God at 7 pm. Contact Griele at moas<at>storvik.atlantia.sca.org for information.

Baron and Baroness' At-Home & New Comer's Social: January 2 and February 6. Baron Rorik and Baroness Janina will be 'At Home' the first Wednesday evening of each month, 7-11 pm. They cordially invite Storvik, and friends of Storvik to join them. The Newcomers' social will also be held during this time. 5416 Lakeford Lane, Bowie, MD 20720

Baronial Business Meeting: January 13 and February 9. Normally held on the second Sunday of each month in the basement of the College Park Church of God at 7 pm. The church is located at 8800 48th Avenue, College Park, MD.

Dance Practice: January 7, 14, 21, 28, and February 4, 11, 18, and 25. This practice is held every Monday evening at the same location as Fighter Practice from 8pm to 10pm. For more information, contact Lord Stefan of Cambion at mol<at>storvik.atlantia.sca.org

Embroidery and Gaming Guild (EGGS): January 3 and 17, February 7 and 21. Held every 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month at the home of Baron & Baroness Rorik & Janina from 7-9pm with a light repast before if you arrive early. Please contact Janina by ggoose<at>radix.net or (301) 262-5253 for more information.

Fight Practice: January 7, 14, 21, 28, and February 4, 11, 18, and 25. This practice is held every Monday evening for both heavy armored and rapier fighters at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in College Park, MD from 7:00-10:00 pm. The fighter practice is in the hall up the metal steps. For the sake of the floor, no marking shoes/boots and no kneeling in heavy armor. For questions or to borrow armor, contact Joscelyn d'Outremer (knightmarshal<at>storvik.atlantia.sca.org) for more information and watch the home page and Yahoo! Group for more information.

Garb Research and Hand Sewing: January 16 and February 20. Come for garb research and hand sewing at Dame Brenna's on the third Tuesday of the month. There will also generally be one Saturday a month to pull out the sewing machines and deal with large garb projects. Contact Brenna at brenna <at> erols.com for directions and more information.

Music Ensemble: January 8 and 22, February 12 and 26. Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month, 7-9pm in Laurel, MD. Contact Teleri the Well-Prepared at sca_bard<at>yahoo.com for directions and more information.

Newcomer's Night: January 16 and February 13. Newcomers' night is on the 2nd Wednesday of the month from 7:30 to 9:00 at the home of Lady Tirzah (9006 Simpson Lane, Clinton, MD 20735.) chatelaine<at>storvik.atlantia.sca.org. Newcomers' is a gathering for all to attend to find out answers to questions about the SCA, whether you're new or an old pro at the game. Hope to see you there! Allergy alert - there are 2 cats and a small dog at the house.

Youth Fighter Practice: No information at this time.

Barony of Storvik
Minutes of the November 11th 2007 Business Meeting

In Attendance:

Orla Carey (Seneschal); Tirzah MacCrudden (Chatelaine); Ansel Ronald Matthews; Catherine Grace Fitzlewis; Mori Matsunomae (Acting Chronicler); Johanna von Sudeborn (Regional Seneschal); Graham Flessas; Morgan O'Lathlann; Teleri the Well-Prepared; Gaspar Marti (Exchequer); Stefan of Cambion (MOL); Patricia of Trakai (Deputy Herald and Deputy Chronicler); Joselin D'Outremer (Knight Marshal); Brenna of Storvik

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The meeting was called to order at 7:08 PM.

Cupcakes were supplied by Tirzah and Orla. They were a major hit. Items in this vein may act as an encouragement to future attendance.

Orla first went through officer reports.

*Exchequer:* Gaspar reported that the current balance of the account is \$6267.46. The funds from the NSF check from Novice Tourney were recovered from the person in question. There is at least one check written that hasn't been cashed yet.

*Chronicler:* Mori introduced herself. She is a resident of Lochmere, but plays more with Storvik and has volunteered to become Storvik Chronicler. She is acting Chronicler pending her warrant.

*MOL:* Stefan, had nothing new to report.

*Chatelaine:* Tirzah, reported that there will be a new comers meeting this Wednesday.

*Herald:* Patricia needs to resolve her warrant status. In the interim she has put out a new issue of Herald's point and took herald classes at University. She reported that she is ready to herald at TOC and Yule Revel.

*Baron and Baroness:* The Baron and Baroness are on pilgrimage in the Kingdom of Lochac and were not present to report on their activities.

At this point jokes were had at the expense of the Baronage. The following comments were overheard and unattributed and are poorly reported: "The Baron and Baroness have deserted their lands." "We could erect a tower for the goose." Chronicler's note: You really had to be there and should attend the next meeting to partake in the fun.

*Seneschal:* Orla introduced herself as seneschal. She needs to get membership information from the officers for the seneschals report at the end of the month.

**Business:**

*Unevent:* The Chatelaine, Chronicler, and Herald intend to attend UnEvent. Johanna commented that the officers not attending need to notify their superior and let them know the name of their proxy. The location is about geographic center of the Kingdom.

**Old Business:**

*Tournament of Chivalry:* Our bid for Tournament of Chivalry has been approved. It is April 19<sup>th</sup>. It will be held at the same site as investiture. Tirzah is cooking. Griele is the autocrat. Johanna commented that it is the beginning of Passover and asked if a seder on the side might be appropriate. After further discussion it was decided that observant Jewish people wouldn't be in attendance. There are no menu restrictions. Martial activities may be organized by Duke Bedoin. The understanding was that he would be the MIC. The MIC for this event is usually a knight. At this time there is no plan for A&S.

There was discussion about ways to encourage attendance by those gentles who do not practice the martial activities, so that their fighting partners may be encouraged to attend. Johanna suggested encouraging these non martial participants prepare tokens or awards for best heraldry on the field. A

Baroness' "sewing circle" was also suggested. The point was made that without non-fighters chivalry doesn't really exist. The idea of chivalry is for the court at large, namely all other participants, not for fighters by fighters.

We might want to encourage children chivalric classes, a quest, something to include classes or display. Graham and his thespian friends may be able to help serve feast.

Johanna proposes to be point of contact on the waiver to get teenagers signed in. For the youth helping to serve she was wondering if Barony could possibly comp fees for the minors. Orla needs to talk to Griele, we could put it into the budget for a maximum of 10 servers. Orla and Gaspar needs to talk to Griele. We can vote to comp people. Looking to get more pomp and these minors would be able to do just that.

*Signature Card:* Gaspar reminded the group that we need to do a new signature card. The question, "Who do we want to put on the signature card?" was asked. It was decided that Orla, Gaspar, Regional and Kingdom Exchequers are to be on the card. Patty is on there now and is still willing and able to serve in that capacity. William the Younger and Ariana currently are. Johanna is willing and able if William is not available.

We voted on it and there were no objections.

*Financial Policy:* Gaspar owes Orla a copy of the financial policy. Orla will retype if needed.

*Yule Revel:* Yule Revel, we have talked about it but not approved yet. Morgan O'Lathlann is the autocrat and presented the group with the following information. The date is proposed to be January 5. Instead of a brewing event, as previously discussed and unable to arrange, it will return to tradition. There will be a dessert contest, A&S, dancing, bardic, games, and riddles.

Orla and Tirzah volunteered to supply light fare. The proposed budget is \$460 - \$520. We can probably get at least 60 in attendance which is about the break even point. Entry fee will be \$10 for folks who fail to bring desserts and \$8 for people who do. St. Andrews was still available. Free as two weeks ago. Morgan will jump on it tomorrow or Tuesday. If we approve this plan, Orla can sign the contract Monday night.

Gaspar asked about the different columns on the budget. Morgan replied that the 1<sup>st</sup> column, the conservative budget, 2<sup>nd</sup> column is the 'Pie in the Sky' budget, and the third is in between. Johanna commented that because 12<sup>th</sup> night is in NC we should be OK, unless we get snow. Break even point at \$520 is 65 people if every one brings a desert and 52 if they don't. This isn't unreasonable. Keeping the tradition is successful emotionally and usually financially.

Greatest concern is staff positions:

Rental for the whole day, they charge by the hour. It was determined that we need to try to add time to decorate. \$50/hr for the hall and \$10 for the kitchen is what we got charged for the Post Pennsic Revel. The Post Pennsic Revel is what that budget was based on, \$520. It was determined that we may need to add another \$100 to the budget if the hall needs more money to add in additional decoration time. It is understood that this extra hundred is strictly for additional site costs.

Fee Structure:

- Babe in Arms (under 5): free
- Minor: \$8
- \$10 adults
- \$8 if you bring a dessert

Gaspar moves to approve a budget of \$620. , Tirzah, seconds. Approved with no opposition.

Morgan needs to discuss A&S activities at Yule Revel post meeting. He will post to the list about the staff positions he needs covered.

*Faering Tokens:* Catherine brought up that she found that Pastiche has them for \$4. These are smaller than the proposed European tokens, they are sterling silver with amber hulls. Pastiche is an Estrella War vendor and Catherine and her family attend this event regularly. The others from Europe are bigger but

after shipping are about \$5 per pendant. The Pastiche ones can be picked up at Estrella War or have them shipped. Shipping was proposed so that we might have the tokens for Yule Revel. Because the Baron and Baroness are not present this was tabled until the December Business Meeting.

**New Business:**

No business of any import. Minor points of business mopping up are.

*Knight Marshal Report:* Jocelyn reported that fighter practice is great and people are hitting each other. Site donations reached \$420 for two months. Jocelyn was asked if William the Younger really broke his thumb again. Jocelyn replied that it was so and that he was learning how to fill out the injury report for practice. Orla asked Jocelyn about the number of people attending. He wasn't sure as he typically focuses on the fighters. Orla put it at usually about 40 – 50 including dancers.

*Expense check to be signed:* Gaspar has an expense for copies for the third quarter report in the amount of \$6.89. The Senechal determined she didn't need to know about the quarterly report copy expenses as long as they are under \$10. Patty is able to sign the check.

*Meeting Closes:* Tirzah moved to close the meeting. Jocelyn seconded the motion. There were no objections and the meeting closed at 7:53.

It was commented that this was a 45 minute meeting and a budget for the event was approved in that time.

Gossiping was the next order of business and will not be recorded here.



**Barony of Storvik**  
**Minutes of the December 9<sup>th</sup> 2007 Business Meeting**

*In Attendance:*

Orla Carey (Seneschal); Tirzah Mac Crudden (Chatelaine); Mori Matsunomae (Chronicler); Johanna von Sudeborn (Northern Regional Seneschal); Graham Flessas; Morgan O'Lathlann; Teleri the Well-Prepared; Gaspar Marti (Exchequer); Patricia of Trakai (Deputy Herald and Deputy Chronicler); Joselin D'Outremer (Knight Marshal);  
Janina (Baroness)

Meeting was called to order at 7:08pm.

**Herald report:** Lady Patricia attended UnEvent. She is still working on getting the release to officially become the Baronial herald. One thing discussed at the meeting of Heralds at UnEvent regarding the handling of money at Heraldic Consult Tables. Cash can only be accepted at Kingdom sanctioned Heraldic Consult Tables. For all other transactions funds must be presented in check form. This is an accounting practice.

There have been no submissions in the past month. Lady Patricia will try to show up at fighter practice for consultation on a semi-regular basis.

**Seneschal report:** At this time there is nothing new to report.

**Exchequer report:** There is \$6707.17 in the account.

**Chronicler report:** Lady Mori attended UnEvent and attended meetings for the Chroniclers, Heavy Marshal, Rapier Marshal, MOL, and College of Scribes. She has forms for the MOL and will write up her notes for distribution soon. There were no major changes discussed except in the MOL meeting and those predominantly pertained to Youth Rapier practice and Equestrian.

As of the day after UnEvent she is now the warranted Chronicler for Storvik.

**Chatelaine report:** Lady Tirzah attended UnEvent. Chatelaines now have some tokens to distribute to newcomers. These are silver 'N' shaped tokens on a blue and white cord. Each barony got 5 to 6. When Chatelaines are presented with a newcomer they are given a token. When the newcomer no longer feels like a newcomer they should pass the token on or return it to the Chatelaine. This is so newcomers can be more easily identified and not given a hard time for questions or failings in garb and equipment. They should be offered assistance and support for their efforts.

Baroness Johanna asked about "Old Codger" badges. Lady Tirzah replied with words to the effect that "Old Codger" badges are handed out quite regularly in the form of coronets.

The Chatelaine hosts a Newcomer's night the Wednesday after the Barony meeting. So far attendance has been light and a bunch of "old comers."

**Knight Marshal:** Lord Joselin reported that fighting is going fine. There was one injury in the past month. William the Younger again damaged a thumb. Attendance has dropped a bit this is due to the season. New Years and Christmas practices are cancelled. There is almost more rapier and dancing than heavy fighting at practice.

Lord Joselin also reported that \$180 was raised at fighter practice in the last month to defray the cost of space rent.

### ***Old Business:***

Yule Revel: Lord Morgan reported that the event has been Spiked and is on the website. The announcement won't make the December Acorn. It will appear in the January Acorn.

Lord Morgan wanted to know if the Barony had a traditional vendor for supplying garlands and decorations. Noone present at the meeting reported a traditional vendor.

Lord Morgan is seeking volunteers for decoration committee. Baroness Janina suggested Bedoin (sp?).

The Baroness reminded the group that this is the traditional time for everyone to pay taxes, normally in the form of peppercorns or other spices.

Lord Morgan is seeking a prize for the A&S competition. He also needs set up and break down help.

He is looking for a way to transport baronial chairs and decorations and asked about possible van access? The Baroness stated that he won't need a van the Baronial chairs and decorations can be loaded into Baron Rorik's truck and only volunteers to load and offload the truck will be required.

He asked about children's activities. The Baroness suggested that he talk to Katherine, the Minister of Minors. He should also talk to Igor about the Father Christmas costume. Igor was volunteered for it.

He asked if we were comping musicians. The Seneschal and Exchequer left it up to him and his budget. He should come up with a comp proposal and we would discuss and approve it.

To date there are no people registered for the event. This concerns him. Baroness Johanna commented that the record number of reservations for this event is about 12. This isn't unusual. He was encouraged to flog the event on the Merry Rose list and Baroness Janina will forward it to other baronies.

Baroness Johanna volunteered to be head troll. She requested ones and fives for change the Exchequer will cut a check to the autocrat for Troll change. As the event is only \$8 for those bringing a dessert ones will be crucial.

Lord Morgan proposed that permission be given to comp the first 12 real musicians who offer to come and play. Tirzah seconded the proposal. It was determined that there was no need for discussion. There was no opposition and the motion passed.

Baroness Janina was the first to reserve. There is one discount per dessert.

Baroness Johanna, as head troll will need to keep excellent records of who was comped. A very specific list of comped people including full name needs to be kept.

Performers Revel: The event is Spiked and will be flogged as it is a reservation only event. The rest of the flyer may or may not have been done, the Baroness will check. The event is February 9. Baroness Janina encouraged anyone not attending the Performer's Revel to attend the Bright Hills event that will be held on the same day.

Baron Rorik may be attending both as it would be good form to put in a Baronial appearance at the Bright Hills event.

Tournament of Chivalry: The autocrat is not present.

Baroness Johanna interjected with a request for a check for \$200 for troll box change for Yule Revel. This will be written post meeting.

The cook of TOC commented that Griele, the autocrat, was OK with comping servers. Graham is recruiting, servers. Griele and Johanna need to have a conversation about camping for servers.

Faerhing tokens: Catherine is not present and she had further information. This is tabled until next meeting.

Storvik Music Ensemble: Meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays. They have learned a selection of a few carols and at this time the meetings have three regular attendees. Baroness likes the ensemble for court pageantry. It is thought that a Storvik songbook should be created. Proceeds should go to some cause or Baronial fund.

Tintinabulum Atlanticum: The Baroness raised the issue of the Tintinabulum Atlanticum again. She was not volunteering. This is an occasional publication of baronial and Roxbury mill contact information. It was mentioned that the Chronicler traditionally did this. The new Chronicler will speak with the old one and find out the current status.

Baronage Report: Baroness Janina reported that they have returned safely from their voyages to Lohac. They had no contact with our cousins in Lohac except by phone. There was a miscommunication and practices were missed.

The Baron and Baroness attended UnEvent. Andrew got sick and is now better.

At the Public Relations meeting at UnEvent there was little talk. Corporate is thrilled by the Washington Post article. The Baroness is quoted and she is willing to take the hit for what now appears to be somewhat embarrassing words.

If the press contacts you, contact the Kingdom Public Relations person, seneschal or designee. The contact has to go up the chain of command. Press are not to be unaccompanied at the event. If you find press introduce them to the Seneschal, Chatelaine, and if applicable the Media Relations person. There are now words we are never to use to the press. "Mundane" should be replaced with "modern person." "Boffer" should now be "padded weapon combat." In general we are doing an OK job.

She attended the equestrian meeting. There are now some very fine differences in categories.

A&S activities are encouraged and getting reports on them into the MOAS is stressed.

At the Baronage meeting her highness announced that the children will be given titles of, Prince and Princess Royal at coronation. This is a title in lieu of parents for 6 months. It is temporary and means nothing in the order of precedence; it is just a way to reward the children for their cooperation and support as the duties of the Royal parents increase.

The Baroness found the Town Meeting fascinating.

Curia was 6 minutes. She was disappointed that she wasn't able to speak.

The College of Scribes had a project that they are proposing for 12<sup>th</sup> Night, namely encouraging all, not just scribes, to tackle the backlog. This project will involve cards that can be given as gifts. The giver is taking responsibility for a backlog item and is to make sure that a backlog scroll or other project fulfilling that role is completed for the recipient within a year. The giver is encouraged to arrange with an artisan or be the artisan who will produce the work prior to giving the card. Backlog scrolls can involve fabric, leather, glass, wood, etc. Paper, parchment, and vellum are not the only acceptable materials. Scribes were encouraged to work with other artisans to discuss wording and other requirements.

The Baron and Baroness are going to a number of events; Revel Without a Cause, Yule Revel, 12<sup>th</sup> Night, Ponte Alto investiture, and KASF.

The Baroness reported that at the Kingdom Arts & Sciences Festival there will be a separate pavilion for smoking. This will keep it away from the doors. Tirzah commented that there will be a food competition. This will include food, reports about food, feast documentation, etc.

### ***New Business:***

UnEvent Report: Baroness Johanna attended the Exchequer, Seneschal, and Exchequer & Seneschal meetings. The focus of all of these meetings was the new event reporting form. It is "way cool," makes sense, and has slots for fundraisers, etc. The Exchequer and Seneschal are encouraged to communicate. This was stressed in all meetings. Communication will avoid duplication of effort.

Financial Policy: The current copy of the financial Policy needs to be attached to the Domesday report. It requires kingdom level approval and the Kingdom Exchequer wants to make sure all financial policies for all baronies fall in line with the mandates. The Kingdom Exchequer will be auditing everyone in the next year, some sooner, some later.

Inventory: Inventory needs to be done two times a year and kept up to date.



The Seneschal commented that we need an inventory performed for the Domesday book. Tirzah can give the kitchen inventory. Baroness has some baronial stuff and will supply that list. Llyr has all other items. Lists should be sent to Gaspar, and cc:ed to the seneschal. We will need to address storage soon. Baron and baroness keep some items.

Joselin was asked about the Iron Key items, loaner armor. Joselin replied that Donny has it. A list needs to be compiled. If Donny gave it out, there should be a list of what was given out to whom. We need to institute an active inventory at practice. Donny needs to show up at practice and he needs to call the seneschal. Joselin will call Donny and get answers.

Call for Storvik inventory to be made. All replies should be supplied by the next Barony meeting.

Storage: The discussion of the inventor raised the issue of Baronial storage. The shed proposal was raised again. We need to research the kind of shed we want and how to fund it. The inventory should help determine size. Tirzah proposed an additional, barony only, shed on her and Frederich property. She will talk to Frederich and work up estimate of costs. Gaspar will research how to improve another person's property. It is possible that if we took personal donations of about \$30 we could do it and then Tirzah and Frederich would loan the space for the Barony. That way the barony doesn't pay. .

In general the baronial stuff has shrunk. A lot of it was cooking stuff and that is now at Lady Tirzah's. An 8x8 storage shed would be big enough.

Events and Dates for Krum site: As of Jan 1 we need to go to Krum for whatever date for whatever event we want.

It was asked if we wanted the Novice Tourney at Krum. Right now there is nothing on the calendar for July. 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, or 19<sup>th</sup> and Pennsic is the 26<sup>th</sup>. The ideal date will be July 12<sup>th</sup>. After much discussion about the calendar we will ask for July 12<sup>th</sup> with a backup date of the 5<sup>th</sup>. We will need to contact Dun Carriag and Bright Hills to avoid conflict with Highland River and Challenge of the Heart.

Lady Tirzah is having a party on June 7<sup>th</sup> this does conflict with University.

If possible we would like to get the Krum site in October for our Baronial Birthday. St. Aiden's is an event typically on the 18<sup>th</sup> or 25<sup>th</sup> to avoid Kingdom Crusades. We should try for October 18<sup>th</sup>. We should try to not conflict with TnT. If we can't get a second date at the Krum site we should start work on the birthday date.

Autocrats for future Kingdom Level events: Lady Tirzah would like someone to think about autocratting Kingdom level events, specifically 12<sup>th</sup> Night for 2009. She would like to cook for that event.

It was determined that there was no other business

Baroness proposes to close the meeting. Lady Tirzah lead a round of seconds for that proposal. Meeting concludes at 8:08, exactly an hour.

## For Honor, a Challenge is Met

For the honor of my family name,  
For the love of my lady fair,  
For the glory the comes of noble fame,  
I enter the villain's lair.

A challenge I issue, for the insult made.  
He answers with a snicker, and a haughty glare.  
Dueling hath our city fathers forbade,  
I still make the challenge, for I do not care.

To the courtyard we go, beneath the sunny sky.  
His friends and allies follow, as do mine.  
A duel with rapiers, where one shall live, and one die.  
Tonight shall only one have leisure to dine.

I draw out my rapier, trusty blade of mighty steel.  
He answers in kind, and stands ready, no chance he shall yield.  
Our weapons clash, we fight with vigor and zeal.  
Up and down, back and forth, thrust dodge and parry across the field.

We continue to fight, he is too close, I step to the side.  
His blade makes a cut, barely missing my eye.  
"Dear foe!" I cry, "I shall take that out of your hide!"  
He throws back his head, with laughter to the sky.

The fight grows more fierce, as blood runs down my cheek.  
We both grow tired, as we are two expert swordsmen, equally skilled.  
We thrust and we parry, one shall soon lose as we each grow weak.  
But today is my day, as with a final thrust of my blade, my foe is  
killed.

With a gasp, and a shudder, the villain stumbles, and is dead.  
I sink to my knees, for the fight, finally finished, has done me in.  
With a prayer to god, I raise my bloodied blade and touch my forehead.  
It is finished, it is over, a new life I can now, at last, begin.

Don Malcolm Bowman  
MKA Murray J. Blehart  
September 20, 1999

I would like to add regular features to the Drekkar. Please tell me what you would be interested in seeing. If you have other articles, artwork, poetry, pictures, redacted recipes, craft patterns, etc. I would be happy to consider them for publication in the Drekkar. Please mail this and your other submissions to Mori Matsunomae, c/o Susan Moury, 2007 Cramer Point Ct., Odenton, MD 21113. Or email me at [chronicler@storvik.atlantia.sca.org](mailto:chronicler@storvik.atlantia.sca.org) with your suggestions.

### Drekkar Content Questionnaire

Proposed Regular Features: Please check those that interest you.

- Rapier Drill of the Month: Description of a rapier drill that may help improve your control, targeting, stamina or tactics.
- Fitness for Fighters: Description of an exercise or exercise series that may help improve your fitness for fighting at events.
- Armored Combat Drill of the Month: Description of an armored combat drill, maneuver, or tactic that may help improve your on field performance.
- Commander's Corner: Missives solicited from Rapier and Armored melee commanders. May include content about their goals, the standard Atlantian commands, basic melee tactics, forming a unit, etc.
- Playing with Thread: Articles that deal with sewing and the fiber arts.
- On Food: Articles that deal with food, feasts, table manners, etc.
- Paper and Pigment: Articles that explore the scribal arts and more general painting on any type of media.
- Heavy Arts and Sciences: Articles exploring metalworking, woodworking, and leather working.
- I like the idea above but it needs to be renamed:

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- Your Suggestions:

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