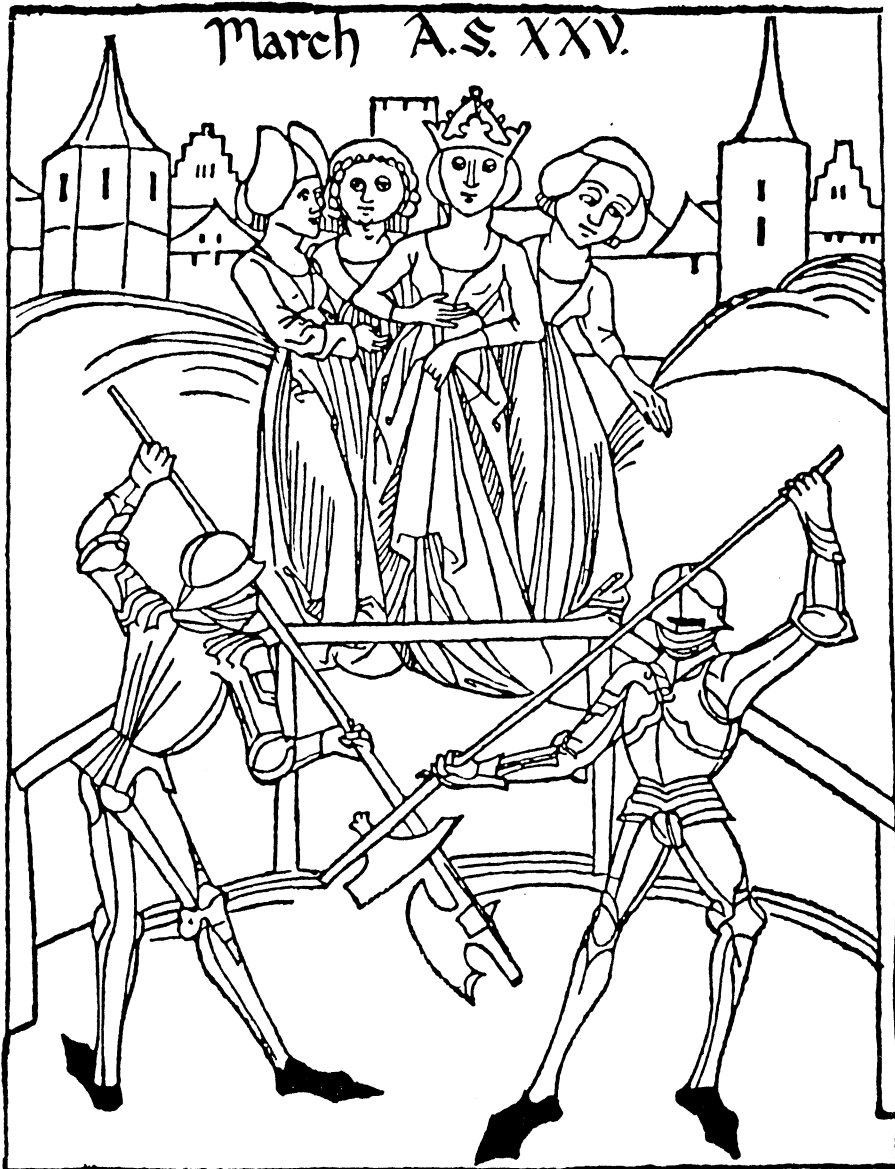


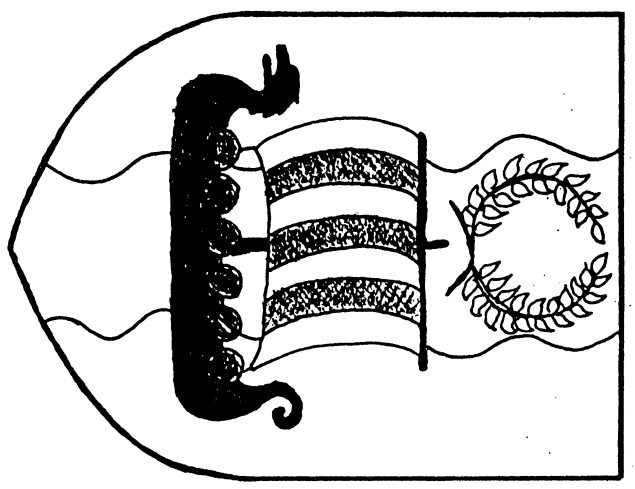
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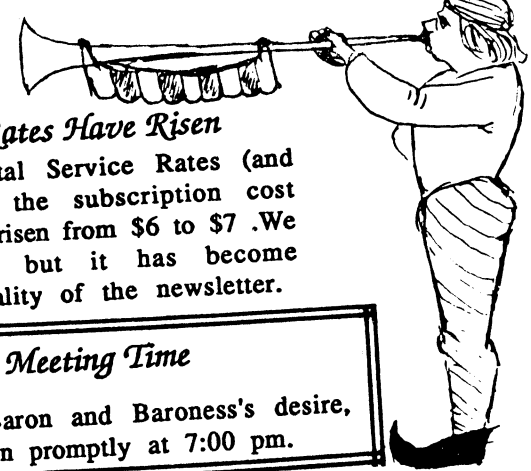


Storvik Calendar & Noteworthy Event

- March 11 STORVIK BARONY MEETING at Lord Sean's and Lady Maria's 301-933-7125.
- March 23 SAINT PATRICK'S DAY BLOODBATH, in Ponte Nove, Autocrat: Lady Elise Dominique Clairmont (703)-321-4996.
Winter's End, a dance event, in Highland Foorde. Autocrat: Teresa Gabriela Montoya de Seville y Flanders (301/990-7856)
- Apr 12-14 DRAGONS TOURNEY, in Lochmere. (Tentative). Autocrat: Aryanna Hawkyns (301)-461-3553.
- April 20 LADY'S DAY TOURNAMENT in Dun Carraig. Autocrat: Tadhgh MacAedain Ui Chonchobhair, (301/737-0339)
- April 27 Nothing but Archery.... By Stierbach, held in Ponte Nove. Autocrat: Anne of Corbridge (703)-490-1318.
- May 11 MAY FAIRE & BARON'S CHAMPION TOURNEY, in Neapsbury Downs (Tentative). Autocrat: Lady Elspeth (301/464-3640)
- May 18 LAUREL MAIN STREET DEMO, in Lochmere. Autocrat: Dugal MacTaveis (301/725-7674)
- May 24-27 ATLANTIAN TENTH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION. Autocrat: Anna Munro (919/223-5893)
- June 8 LOCHMERE BARONIAL BIRTHDAY, Autocrat: Baroness Deirdre of Cres (301/544-5430)
- June 15 Fighting Arts & Sciences Event. (Tentative) Autocrat: Lord Brian du Bois Bretonne (703)-339-3715.
- June 29-30 KNOWN WORLD HERALDIC & SCRIBAL SUMPOSIUM Autocrat: Mistress Jaelle of Armida (202)-737-4609
- July 13 NOVICE TOURNEY. Autocrat: Countess Elizabeth Beaufort (301)-598-7424
- Oct 19 The Dancing Raven. (Tentative) Autocrat: Lady Winifred Corbet de Wynterwood (703-533-8224).

"Tentative" = paperwork has not been filed with Kingdom.

Notes



Drekkar Subscription Rates Have Risen

Due to an increase in Postal Service Rates (and increased production costs), the subscription cost for a year of the Drekkar has risen from \$6 to \$7. We apologize for this change, but it has become necessary to maintain the quality of the newsletter.

New Meeting Time

By their Excellencies the Baron and Baroness's desire, all Barony meetings will begin promptly at 7:00 pm.

Chatelaine Change

Due to personal reasons, Eber Finn has given up the office of Chatelaine. Our best wishes go out to him and his family. Michel le Marin is filling the office temporarily until a replacement can be found. Hint, hint...

A wee Bairn is Born

To our distant cousins who have braved the cold northern seas to colonize the Isle of Ice (Iceland), a wee child is born. To Therion Sean Storie and Heather Skye Storie was a baby girl, Heather Rose, born on December 10th, 1990. Congratulations.

Changing your Address

Very often, when someone moves away from our area they fail to notify the Chronicler of such an occurrence. If they are not a subscriber to this newsletter, this is not a problem. If they are, then it is.

When the Chronicler sends out a Drekkar, it is with correct postage for single address delivery (with the current rate of post, that equals \$.49). While we request that address forwarding be done, it is not without a fee: \$.35. So you can see, that if one does not notify the chronicler of address changes, it significantly increases the Drekkar's expenses, which in turn must be turned around and passed onto the subscribers.

So, if you move, please drop me a postcard or a quick telephone call, so that we might all be able to work together to keep our costs down and our newsletter affordable. Thank you.

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LOCAL ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY

FIGHTING: Practice is held each Sunday afternoon at the Pimmit Library in Falls Church. Contact Sir Strykar (703/241-1682) or Lord Malcolm MacMalcolm (301/656-6050) for more information. Call Pdraig Muadhan for rapier info (703-591-0122).

FIGHTING: Steirbach holds a fighter practice and combat archery practice 2 pm in Cloverdale Park in Dale City, VA. For information, Lord Eric von Kleinfeld, 703/361-3863.

ARCHERY: Lochmere, Sunday afternoons. See notice under Thursday.

HIGHLAND FOORDE ALLTHING: @ 3pm till dark at the Hagerstown City Park, near the far north end. Fighter Practice, dancing, sewing, etc. For more information/directions, call Lord Ian at 301/739-3096.

MONDAY

FIGHTING: Fighting practice in northern Storvik is held on Monday nights at New Hampshire Estates Elementary School (the site of Novice Tourney) from 7-9:30 pm. We ask all fighters who are able to contribute \$1 per evening to help cover the cost of the site. Directions to the Site: From the Beltway, take the New Hampshire Avenue exit south towards Takoma Park. Take New Hampshire approximately 8/10 mile and turn right onto Piney Branch Road. Turn left at the first traffic light onto Carrol Ave. The school will be on your right. For information, call Sir Klaus von Trollenberg (589-6627). PLEASE, AT THE REQUEST OF THE SCHOOL, DO NOT WEAR BLACK-SOLED SHOES.

DANCE PRACTICES in Storvik, on Monday evenings. Look for Nachtanz notice elsewhere in Drekkar.

DANCE: In Lochmere, from 7-9 pm, on the 2nd Monday of the month at the Bowie Community Center and on the 4th Monday of the month at the Bowie Branch Library. Contact Lady Keilyn (301/464-5666) for information.

THE LADIES SEWING CIRCLE AND TERRORIST SOCIETY OF LOWER HIGHLANDE FOORDE, at 7pm in Frederick, MD. for information, call Gordon or Peregrin at 301/695-4095

WOODWORKING OPEN SHOP at Sir Stanford's home, from 8pm to 10pm. For more information, contact Sir Stanford (301/725-5371)

TUESDAY

FIGHTING: The Barony of Lochmere holds Fighter Practice at Arundel High School (south side of Rt. 175, west of Rt. 3) on Tuesday evenings beginning at 7:00 pm. Contact Lord Illarion (Jim Sams, 301/760-3420) for information.

DUELLO: Rapier practice is scheduled 7-9 pm at Ted's Autobody outside Mt. Airy, MD. Call Lord Gregoire for more information. (See officer's list for phone)

ARCHERY: In the Bright Hills, at the Maryland Military Academy (formerly the Montrose School) on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 6-9 pm, weather permitting. The Academy is located on Route 30, west of Reisterstown, MD. For information, contact Timor the Procrastinator (Bill Hume, 301/467-6575).

BARONIAL AT HOME: MUSIC! TOPICS! The Baron and Baroness will be "At Home" on TUESDAY nights (not Wednesday) from 7 pm to 10 pm. This change is being made to accomodate those wanting to practice for a recorder consort. Baron Kay will lead recorder practice upstairs & Baroness Elaina will entertain sewing workshops & discussions topics downstairs. All are welcome!

WEDNESDAY

THE LADIES SEWING CIRCLE AND TERRORIST SOCIETY assembles on Wednesday's again for fittings, fashion, fraternizing and fun at the home of Mistress Teleri Talgellawg in Falls Church on Wednesday evenings from 7:30 till 11:00. Meetings are not restricted to ladies only! Contact Teleri (703/560-8825) for directions.

FIGHTING: The Canton of Neapsbury Downs holds fighting practice at 7pm-9pm at the Huntington Community Center in Bowie. For information, call Lady Therasa at (301) 262-5142.

THURSDAY

FIGHTING: Sir Strykar holds a Fighter Practice on Thursdays in Fairfax. Contact Sir Strykar (703/241-1682) for more information.

ARCHERY: Thursday evenings from aprox 4pm till dark at the archery range on University Blvd (next to University of Maryland) Contact Lord Sean MacKay for information (301/933-7125).

ARCHERY: The Barony of Lochmere holds archery practice at Arundel Archers from 5pm 'till dark (Sunday afternoons as well). Arundel Archers is located off Route 3 on the Southbound lanes. For information, contact Baron AElfred at 301/544-5430

ARCHERY: In the Bright Hills. See notice under Tuesday.

FRIDAY

SUMPOSION OIKOMENIKON: Lord Beornheard and Lord Herverus d'Ormonde invite all newcomers (and any other interested "old-timers") to an informal get-together on various aspects of life in the Society, on the Second Friday of every month North of the River, and on the Third Friday of the month South of the River. See notice on page 7.

FIGHTING: Thorvassir meeting, from 6-10 pm at the Marvin Center, 800 21st Street, George Washington University, in room 501. For information, contact Lord Maximillian von Holstern, (Max Nelson, 202/835-9673)

FIGHTING: Bright Hills holds a fighting practice from 7-10 pm at the Franklyn Middle School in Reisterstown. For information, call Heinrich or Barbara, 301/833-6194

FROM HEAD TO TOE, an Arts Workshop, meets Friday nights in Bowie, for all interested in costuming, needlework, and other various medieval arts and sciences. Contact Lady Therasa du Domremy (Terry Lee Bjorkland, 301/262-5142) for directions or more information.

THE COLLEGIUM COMMUTATIUM:

The Collegium Commutatum meets for lunch on several "campuses" around the area. Come join us for conversations medieval and mundane.

CRYSTAL CITY/PENTAGON, on the **THIRD WEDNESDAY** of every month. Contact Mistress Signy (Tracie Brown, 202/692-0531) or Morgana (Barbara Jackson, 202/692-8465) for exact time and location.

DOWNTOWN WASHINGTON, at 1:00 on the **THIRD MONDAY** of every month, at International Square (above the Farragut West Metro Station, 18th and I Streets, near the escalators), also within walking distance of Farragut North. Contact Mistress Jaelle (Judy Gerjuoy, 202/638-0252). Collegiums which fall on Federal Holidays will be held the following Tuesday.

RESTON, VA., on the **THIRD WEDNESDAY** of every month. Contact Baroness Elaina (Mary Mormon, 703/689-5084) for exact time and location.

TYSON'S CORNER, VA, on the **FIRST WEDNESDAY** of every month, at the Shakey's Pizza off International Drive in Tysons Corner. For information, Contact Master Allyn (Alan Dowd, work 703/827-3697, home 703/491-8867, between 6 & 10 PM)

Nachtanz

Learn to dance in the good old way!

Pavan, Bransle, Galliard, Alman, Ballo, Country Dance, Minuet, Cotillion, Renaissance, Elizabethan, Cavalier, Louis XIV, Baroque, Colonial, Regency. French, Italian, English German, Spanish.

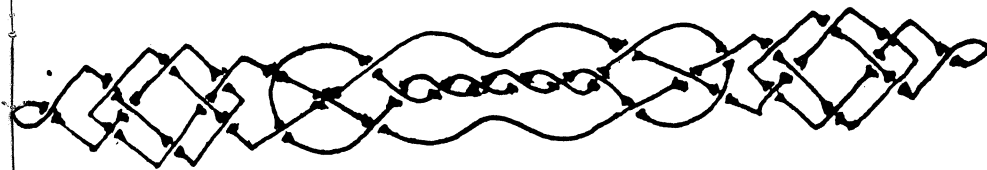
Classes in early dance are held on **Monday** nights, 7:30 PM, at George Washington University, except as noted. The first hour or so will cover general dances. We will then cover more complicated dances, experimentation with new dances and practice for Nachtanz performance. No dance experience required.

1991

March	4	11	18	25
April	8	15	22	29
May	6	13	20	

Location: George Washington University, Marvin Center,
21st NW between H St & G St

We usually meet in room 403, 405 or 410 on the 4th floor. Look for "Medieval History Club", "SCA" or "Dance Practice" on the Schedule. Note: If GWU is closed due to adverse weather, we will not meet. For more information contact Niall (Ken Reed, 2941 Fairmont Street, Falls Church, Va 22042 Tel: 703/560-8825)



Newcomers

to Storvik and to the SCA are cordially invited to the

SUMPOSITION OIKOMENIKON

(or, as the Greeks say, "Y'all come to the Party")

from 7 to 11 PM on the second Friday of each month North of the Great River, and the third Friday of the month South of the Great River. Here is a chance to meet people and get your bearings, in a smaller and more personal setting than a big event. Wear casual clothes (costume NOT required), ask and answer questions, bring your current project, or just hang out. Each month features:

A TALK, DEMO, OR WORKSHOP on a topic of interest.

TIME to talk and visit with other Storviki.

PIZZA! A chef visits with dinner for those who cannot eat before they come. Please call to get in on the order.

Northern Sumposion

March 8 To Fight, perchance to Dream
(SCA Combat)

April 12 Picking up the Pieces
(Households, award structure, etc.)

Southern Sumposion

March 15 Every Tom, Dick, and Herald

April 19 You can dress them up, but... (Costume)

For more information, contact Lord Beornheard of Wearmouth (Jeff Tyeryar, 202/857-6213 work, 301/559-7852 evenings), Heroverus d'Ormonde (Michael Houghton, 703/486-0522)

Northern Location: At the home of Lord Beornheard of Wearmouth, 3603 Oliver Street, Hyattsville, Maryland

From the Capitol Beltway (I-495): Take New Hampshire Avenue South to Adelphi Road. Go left onto Adelphi. After several miles, you will come to Route 410 (East-West Highway). Get in the right-hand lane, and cross over 410 onto Queens Chapel Road. Go through the light at the top of the hill, and make the next right onto Oliver Street.

From The City: Take North Capitol Street to Michigan Avenue. (Look for the signs to Providence Hospital and the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception). Turn right onto Michigan. It will become Queens Chapel Rd when it leaves the District. Oliver street is approx. 5.4 miles from the intersection of North Capitol and Michigan. You will eventually pass through a shopping district (a shopping center, gas stations, a Pizza Hut, etc). Queens chapel road then goes up a very noticeable hill. Oliver street is on the other side of the hill, at the bottom, on the left. If you reach Route 410 (East-West Highway), you have gone too far. If so, cross 410, turn around, and follow the "from the Capital Beltway" directions above.

Southern Location: The home of Heroverus d'Ormonde, 919 16th Street South, Arlington, VA 22209 (703/486-0522)

From the City: Leaving the city on I-395, get onto U.S. 1 South. take the 23rd Street Exit. Take a right onto Ives. When Ives meets 16th St., take a left onto 16th. It is a white house on the left.

From No. Virginia: Driving toward the city on I-395, exit on U.S. 1 to Pentagon City. Stay to the right of the exit lanes and get onto Army Navy Drive. At the second light, take a left onto Joyce St. After two long blocks, take the first left after the road narrows. This will be 16th St. Look for the white house on the left.



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Notes of Medieval Interest

March 17, 1991 St.Patrick's Day Music for Lute and Harp
Thru March 17,1991 The Art of Glass
April 12, 1991 Ars Nova
Thru April 28, 1991 Eva/Ave- Medieval Women in woodcuts
Thru June, 1991 Of Courts and Courtship: Scenes from the Renaissance

St.Patrick's Day Music for Lute and Harp.A concert held on March 17th, in the John Addison Concert Hall of the Harmony Hall Regional Center, in Fort Washington, MD. The address is 10701 Livingston Road, in Fort Washington; the phone number for reservations is 301-292-2839. The fee for admission is \$10.00 for adults, and \$8.00 for seniors/students.

Eva/Ave- Medieval Women depicted in woodcuts. Woodcuts depicting the various ways in which the woman in medieval society was viewed. Showing on the lower level of the National Gallery of Art, West Building

The Art of Glass- pieces from the Corning Glass Museum spanning over 3000 years of the history of glass, in the East Building of the National Gallery of Art

Of Courts and Courtship: Scenes from the Renaissance, at the Renaissance Sculpture Court, Walters Art Gallery, Baltimore, Maryland, two Sunday's each month through June, 1991. For information, call 301/547-9000, ext236/237.

Ars Nova, April 12, 1991 at the University of Maryland Center of Adult Education, Seminar 6:30 pm, Concert 8:00 pm. "A program exploring music of the early Renaissance when northern Europe's seminal composers flourished in the courts of Italy." *

* For information on or tickets for these concerts, call 301/454-6534.



To all good gentles of Atlantia, the Incipient canton of Ponte Nove sends greetings:

On the 23rd of March A.S. XXV, we invite all to attend the St. Patrick's Day Massacre and Bear Pit Tourney. The site is Nottoway Park in Vienna, Virginia. The site will open at 10:30 am. The Tourney will commence at 12:00, with killing continuing until there is no one left to be killed. Please note there is no site fee, no feast afterwards, and no reservations are required. There is a covered pavillion on site, gentles are requested, by the park authority to not bring their own tentage.

Directions to the Massacre:

Take the best route to I-495. From I-495 take exit 9 (I-66 West). Continue on I-66 for about 2 miles. Take exit 17 (Nutley St.) toward Vienna. Note there has been construction, please follow signs toward Vienna. Turn left onto Courthouse Rd. (Crt. House) and Nottoway Park will be on your left.

Autocrat: Elise Dominique Clairmont
Mka: Erci Stern (703) 321-4996 (H) (202) 373-3530 (W)

The Shire of Highland Foorde presents a...

Winter's End Dance

Come all and join the *Shire of Highland Foorde* on Saturday March 23, 1991 for a fabulous day of dancing and reveling and dancing and eating and dancing and talking and dancing and more dancing. The event will be held at the Brunswick Fire Hall, in Brunswick, MD Fear not, ye who would say "But I know not the steps!" for we shall fix that.

Not only will this event celebrate the passing of winter, but we will toast to the Society's Twenty-fifth Year during the feast. The feast is being prepared by the greatest cooks in the Known World-yourselves!. This is a pot-luck feast, and gentles are asked to bring their own (small) main course, plus a dish to pass (either dinner or dessert) that will feed 5-8 people for the buffet table. Beverages and breads will be happily provided.

The site opens at noon and will close at 9:00 p.m. We will be holding informal dance classes for those who wish to learn or to practice, beginning whenever people want it to. The feast will commence at approximately 6:00 p.m.

The Autocrat extends a *special* invitation to those who would teach dance, play an instrument, sing, or who have SCA dance tapes for the sound system, to help us provide music and entertainment for one and all. Please contact the Autocrat, Lady Teresa Gabriela de Montoya y Seville(Tracey Stoever) to make these arrangements, or for any questions. Farspeaker with mechanical serf: (301)-990-7856. Limited crash space is available.

The site is wet, very wet, *ringing* WET, but only after 1:00 p.m. Maryland state drinking laws will be strictly enforced (21 years of age, if you didn't already know). The Shire asks that all take precautions not to mix drinking and driving, and to please designate a non-drinking driver if you are imbibing!

Merchant space is available and encouraged, but only SCA related wares will be allowed. Merchanting will be by prior arrangement only, and the Shire merchanting policy will be in effect (No Star Trek, no comic books, etc...).

FEES: \$3.00 until March 7th, \$5.00 thereafter and at the door. Children under 12 half-price, and babes in arms free. Fees will

only be charged for the two eldest children. Please make checks payable to Highland Foorde/SCA, Inc. and send along with the mundane and SCA name of those attending to the Autocrat:

Ms. Tracey Stoever
19840 Billings Court
Gaithersburg, MD 20879
Telephone: (301)-990-7856

Directions: *From the East* Take I-270 to US-15 North. Take 15 to US-340 West. Exit at MD-17 Brunswick-Burkittsville. At the top of the exit ramp, turn left, and proceed one mile on Route 17 to the first full traffic light (a Sheetz gas station and a church will be on the right). Follow MD Route 17 into Brunswick (please note that at this point Route 17 hangs a right and may be under construction) for another mile until you find a yellow flasher. Make a left turn at the flasher and then an *immediate* right onto Maryland Ave. Go to the stop sign, turn right and go three blocks. The Brunswick Fire Hall is on the right side of the road and the parking lot is on the left.

From the South: Take your best route to Leesburg, VA and Route 7 West. Follow Route 7 to VA-9 West. Continue west 5 miles to the first full signal and turn right onto VA-287 and follow this into Maryland (across the Potomac) approx. 9 miles. You will find a flashing light after you cross the bridge. At this point, follow the SCA signs to the site (you are not very far).

If you have any questions about directions, please call Lady Ariadne at (301)-698-0751.



St. James Faire at Coronation

From the Barony of Windmaster's Hill do Countess Fern de la Foret and Master Robyyan Torr D'Elandris send Greetings to the People of Atlantia.

We have been designated as Masters of St. James Faire, which will be held in celebration of the coronation of Anton and Luned, April 6, 1991. We ask your help in making this Faire an event to remember.

The Faire should be a place of entertainment, amusement, and shopping. We anticipate a midway of games, an entertainment area, merchants, archery, a lawn for bowls, and wandering barkers. Count Guido has agreed to set up the *Knave and Coin* gaming house, and plans are underway for that marvel of marvels... a dancing bear! What would you like to see? What would you like to do? We would like each Barony and Shire of the Kingdom to be represented in some way at the Faire. Some possible ways to participate would be to have a troupe of entertainers, or a game booth, or to sponsor contests in archery or bowls.

To avoid too many of the same thing, we are requiring that any person or group intending to participate as booth holders or entertainers in the Faire register with us ahead of time. We reserve the right to veto ideas for a booth, especially the second and later registrations of similar ideas- we don't want six "Dunk the Baron" booths, for example (Actually, we don't want even one "Dunk the Baron" booth-unless you can document it as a pre-1600 practice). We encourage you to contact us as early as possible, both to reserve your bright idea (or to get one from us) We must know of your intent to participate no later than March 15, as we are planning to go to TFYC, and you won't be able to get in touch with us after that date. We can be contacted at the below address and phone number (a machine will answer if we don't- no calls after 11 pm, please), at events, or electronically at drs@uncvxl.bitnet.

Laurie M.Erickson
Dennis R.Sherman
1308 Brookfield Drive
Chapel Hill, NC 27516
(919)-929-5026

The Barony of Lochmere presents...

Dragon's Tourney

The event will be held April 12th thru 14th at Camp Wright, MD. The first part of the Tourney will be divided into three individual contests:

- *Single elimination Sword and shield
- *Single elimination Polearm
- *Single elimination Great Sword

In the second half of the tourney, the first and second place finishers in the above contests will team up to form the Dragon. Three player teams will then challenge the Dragon. Further rules and information will be announced at the Tourney. There is also a Dragon Archery Shoot; rules will also be announced at the shoot.

This wet site boasts hot showers, cabins, and tent space. Children are welcome, but are the responsibility of their parents. The event fees are:

Fees	<u>Until April 1</u>	<u>After April 1</u>
Fri- Sun on-board	\$14.00	\$15.00
off-board	\$8.00	\$9.00
Sat- Sun on-board	\$11.00	\$12.00
off-board	\$5.00	\$6.00
Sat only on-board	\$9.00	\$10.00
off-board	\$4.00	\$5.00

There is a \$1.00 discount for on-board members, with proof of membership. Children under 12 pay half the adult rate. Make checks payable to "The Barony of Lochmere, SCA Inc." Send reservations to:

Tara McDonough
13224 Deerfield Rd.
Laurel, MD 20708
301-604-2492

Directions: take your best route to the Washington beltway> Exit onto US 50 eastbound, towards Baltimore. Take 50 east approx. 30 miles and go over the Bay Bridge (\$2.50 toll). Take Route 8 South 1 1/2 miles. The site is on the right.

Heraldic and Scribal Symposium 1991

Kingdom of Atlantia June 27-30

The 1991 Known World Heraldic and Scribal Symposium will be sponsored by the Barony of Storvik, in the Kingdom of Atlantia. Diverse activities for both beginning, intermediate and advanced heralds and scribes will be offered.

Scheduling: Thursday night there will be a small party/reception for people who are already on site. On Friday during the day there will be tours of DC and a formal reception at night. If there is sufficient interest, classes will be held on Friday. On Saturday the classes will be divided as: two tracks of scribal, one track of onomastics (names and naming practices), one track of advanced heraldry, and one track of basic heraldry. Saturday evening we will go off site for a feast and revel. There will be parties in the hotel when we return. Sunday will be the Laurel meeting and more classes.

Speakers: Dr. Gerald Brault, author of Early Blazon, has agreed to come and speak. Dr. Jeri Fleck (Geirr Bassi Haroldsson) will speak on Norse Onomastics. Mistress Aelfwyn Grythdottir has agreed to teach a class on Anglo-Saxon onomastics, and Mistress Keridwyn (Lady Harpy) will teach on some aspect of Welsh onomastics. Lord Talan, Dragon Principal Herald of the Midrealm, will be teaching a class on doing name research in a language with which you are unfamiliar. Master Bruce Draconarius will teach a heraldic class.

The Site: The site is the Holiday Inn, Laurel, in Laurel, Maryland. For those who wish to stay in the hotel, room rates are \$50.00 a night for up to four people in a room.

The hotel is close to Baltimore/Washington International airport, and we are arranging a van service from the airport. It is even possible to arrange to get people from National or Dulles, although that will be a bit more difficult.

For anyone who does not wish to stay in the hotel, or who cannot afford to, there is ample crash space in the area. There is also ample crash space available for anyone who wishes to come early to the event, or leave late, or take advantage of the event to see the Capital (including the Smithsonian Museums, the Library of Congress, the National Archives, the Capital, the Washington Monument, etc.).

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The cost for the event will be: Until May 6, 1991, \$11 site fee, \$7.00 feast fee. After May 6, 1991, and until June 17, 1991, \$13 site fee, \$8 feast fee. After the June 17, \$15 site fee, \$10 feast fee. Checks should be made payable to: Barony of Storvik, SCA Inc., and send to: Alan Dowd, 12502 Oakwood Drive, Woodbridge, VA 22192. All reservations must be accompanied by payment.

Anyone wishing to teach a heraldic or onomastic class should contact: Jaelle of Armida (Judy Gerjuoy), 1210 4th Street, N.W., #101, Washington, DC 20001 (202) 737-4609, no calls after midnight, please. I have an answering machine, so feel free to leave messages.

Anyone wishing to teach a scribal class should contact Lady Therasa du Domremy (Terry Bjorklund), 8828 Maple Avenue, Bowie, MD 20720 (301) 262-5142, no calls after 9PM.



The Medieval Herald:

A Partner in Chivalry by Deirdre O'Siodhachain

While the herald was to grow to be an indispensable partner in the practice of chivalry, his origins were in fact quite humble. The development of the herald is inextricably linked with the tournament. There is no record of heralds in areas or times where the tournament was not present. The first heralds are mentioned in the middle part of the 12th century and were probably minstrels who learned that being familiar with the participants in the continental tournament circuit paid off. These minstrels would literally herald various knights onto the field with praises (or possible insults) based on their reputations as fighters and their generosity to the heralds. A herald's income came from the distribution of largesse and the sale of broken armor remaining after a joust. During the fighting, the heralds identified the fighters for the spectators and recorded the deeds of arms performed. Later, the deeds could be used to good purpose in earning a living by storytelling. In the 1170's, William the Marshall was said to have engaged a herald to follow him from tournament to tournament and always cry "God aid the Marshall!" when he entered the lists. This led to a certain belief that the Marshall was a braggart and his prowess overrated. This belief did not last long, for William justly earned much of his early reputation and wealth from his tournament winnings.

As the usefulness of the heralds grew, their vagabond existence diminished. The best heralds became attached to noble households and served their lords by maintaining the house's dignity; the presence of a herald indicated that the lord had both the need and means to be in contact with other households who participated in or sponsored tournaments. These permanent heralds began to act as messengers between lords and also as officials of the tournament, with their specialized knowledge of armorial devices proving to be useful in both capacities. Though even with their increased importance, heralds remained classed and paid as if they were minstrels, according to household records throughout the 1300's.

Over time the tournament became more formalized and so did the role of the herald. The status of the office was no longer considered so lowly and gradually they were given greater responsibilities in more serious matters. Since much of the conduct of war reflected the conventions of the tournament field, it was only natural that heralds should be given the duty of delivering challenges, and declaring the victor and defeated in war. One of the earliest references to this occurred during the reign of Edward III of England. In 1338 the Carlisle King of Arms was returning from an extended journey on the continent. On the way he received a declaration of war and delivered it to Edward, who returned the compliment by using another herald to accept the challenge.

With the greater duties came greater social standing; men of good family now were appointed as heralds. Also required were men of good learning. As the complexities of heraldry increased,

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heralds began to rely less on memory and keep written records. The requirements for knighthood and participation in a tournament had become sufficiently restrictive that it was necessary to prove descent from four noble families to be accepted. The heralds acted as judges to determine the validity of any claims, most of which were presented by displaying four different sets of arms. The heralds had to verify each set.

Even as the kings of the later middle ages found it expedient to bind the duties of knighthood more closely to the monarch, so it was with the heralds. Gradually there developed three classes of herald, the highest being the King of Arms. The King of Arms went through a form of coronation, was expected to swear an oath of fealty, and was often given heraldic authority over a geographic area called a "march" and all heralds practicing in that area.



At their height, heralds were the ultimate authority on chivalry, acting as arbitrators in chivalric disputes. There is a famous incident at one of the many English sieges of Calais where two noblemen submitted their dispute to two Kings of Arms. When their judgement was given, the English king upheld and enforced their ruling- there was no appeal.

Heralds and knightly matters remained closely associated throughout even the later middle ages. At a *pas d'armes* in 1493,

the heralds assigned each participant the (mythical) arms of one of King Artur's knights. However, tournaments and jousting had lost much of their popularity and gradually fell into decline. Even with this lack of tournaments, the heralds still had much work. They had evolved into a self-perpetuating bureaucracy. Various monarchs would send out their principal King of Arms to perform "visitations." These visitations were meant to ensure the purity of traditional heraldry among established families, grant correct heraldry to the newly ennobled, and remove those who unjustly claimed arms. Almost by accident, heralds played the role of historian, because by their work the arms, genealogy, and history of many families were preserved.

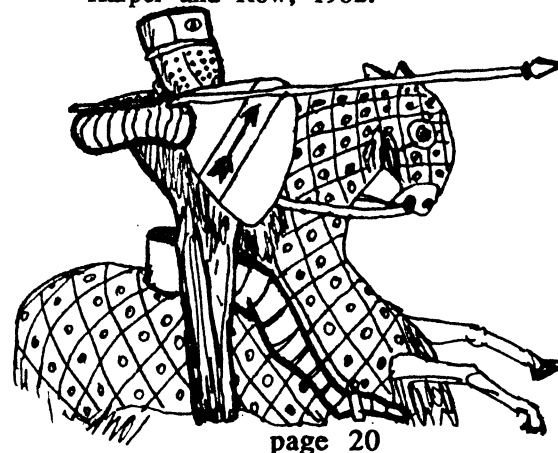
For further reading on the subject...

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Boydell Press, 1987.

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Volunteer Wanted

Has life in the Current Middle Ages got you down? Need a little excitement in your wretched existence? Have we got a job for you!

Learn all kinds of neat stuff having to do with money and accounting, and help out your Barony at the same time. Contact Lady Aislinn about the opening in the Deputy Exchequer's office. (See officer listing for phone and address).

For the Common Weal

WANTED: Good home for a mature cat. She is approximately 7 years old, of tortise shell coloring, in excellent health, and is of pleasant disposition. Inquiries to Deirdre O'Siodhachain (Terry Sheehan) (301) 779-7985 (there is an answering machine).

ROOM TO LET: House Greygoose has a furnished room which is available now in Camp Springs MD. Inquiries to Rorik or Janina, telephone 301/ICE-LORD.

ROOMMATE SOUGHT: to share 5 bedroom house w/CAC, W/D, Baby Grand (That's a piano ... for those of you who are not musical inclined), 1 1/2 blocks from soon to be opened U Street Metro (May 4th) and cats. Veggie, non-smoker preferred. Call Daniel or James of Rutland (202)-332-7501.

Heraldic Research

Are you interested in heraldry? Would you like to know how the SCA College of Arms functions? Mistress Jaelle, Nereid Herald of Atlatia, is running heraldic commenting sessions in various places in the greater Storvik/Lochmere area. These sessions take place every other week, and are open to anyone who is interested in learning more about how SCA heraldry.

For further information contact: Jaelle of Armida (Judy Gerjouy, [202] 737-4609). Feel free to leave messages on the answering machine; she will get back to you.

Lost and Found from 12th Night

Baroness Elaina requests that all gentles who believe they have misplaced items at this past Saturday's 12th Night contact her at their earliest possible convenience. Many objects were discovered at clean-up time, including sneakers, sweats, assorted under and over garments, a coronet, and the usual post feast assorted goblets and feast gear. Items of value will be sold for profit, so contact her quickly...

ATTENTION ALL AUTOCRATS:

As of late, we have had a problem in our Barony resulting in the cancellation of two events and the near cancelling of a third... In the past month, three autocrats have failed to send in paperwork to kingdom, report to Barony meetings the status of their event, and send in event announcements to the Acorn and Drekkar. **THESE THINGS ARE REQUIRED!**

It is the policy of this Barony, from this day forth, that if you do not have a *published* calendar date on the kingdom calendar, *and* an event announcement in the hands of the Barony Chronicler by the first day of the month prior to the month of your event, *you will not have an event.*

The way this works is... let's say your event is June 22nd. The chronicler would have to have the announcement no later than May 1st.

This, we realize, is a drastic measure and could lead to more work for the autocrats, but it is the necessary solution to the problem at hand.

Notes From The February

BARONY MEETING

The February Barony meeting was held at the home of Lord Beornheard of Wearmouth on Feb.10,1991.

OFFICER'S REPORTS: Herald: Conrad sick with flu. Reported that the Storvik badge was rejected due to a charge problem (You know, herald's stuff). Marshal: Not present, no report. Lists: no report.

Arts & Sciences: no report. Exchequer: Lady Aislinn reported that the balance for the Barony account was \$698.26, and the Drekkar balance was \$627.63. She also reported that since the site for Ten Year Celebration was changed, the \$1000 loan we made to Kingdom would be refunded earlier than we thought. End of year taxes submitted. Chronicler: Arrived late (sorry), reported that all was proceeding well with the plans for the Tintinnabulum for mid-summer. Also suggested procedure for autocrats to follow when scheduling events (see page 21). Chatelaine: Eber Finn has had to give up the office, Michel le Marin filling position temporarily. Seneschal for Demos: The demo that was scheduled for the week after last Barony meeting didn't go. There wasn't enough time to plan and gather people. le Marin has moved, see officer's list for new address and phone.

CANTON NOTES: Neapsbury Downs: no report. Ponte Nove: Name change selection proceeding- "Ponte Alte" leading the grouping. Wrattingham Lynn: no report.

BARONY MEETINGS: The March meeting will be at Lord Sean and Lady Maria's in Silver Spring on March 10,1991 at 7:30 (301/933-7125).

The April meeting will be at the home of Lord Stefan of Cambion, and the May meeting will be at Rutland Manor, the home of James and Daniel.

EVENTS: 12th Night- A few refund checks left to do, then the report will be completed. Perf. Revel- was budgeted to break even, no report available yet. Oriental Feast- postponed indefinitely. St.Pat's- not published on Kingdom calendar. Announcement not available, autocrat not available. Stefan and Winifred will look into it. May Faire- different sites for feast and fighting, paperwork being sent in this week. Fighting A&S- paperwork submitted to Kingdom. Date reserved.

Meeting Notes Continued

OLD BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS: Her Excellency Baroness Elaina announced that in the future, all Barony meetings would begin promptly at 7:00 pm. **ATTENDING THE MEETING WERE:** Teresa Gabriela Montoya, Herveus d'Ormonde, Ursula Aelswitha, Kay Delafleur, Stefan of Cambion, Gregoire de Conteville, Alyson, Sean MacKay, Raven Helmsplitter, James of Rutland, Daniel of Rutland, Elaina de Sinistre, Michel le Marin, Winifred Corbet de Wynterwood, Beornheard of Wearmouth, Aislinn die Bogenschutzei, and William Conor MacLean. Plus two other gentles who, although they did sign the attendance roster, they did not do so legibly.

DIRECTIONS TO THE MARCH BARONY MEETING: From 495 take Georgia Ave. toward Wheaton At Randolph Rd turn right. At 2nd light, Glenallen Rd., turn left. First light is Greenery Lane. Address is 2201 Greenery Lane #203. Phone is (301)-933-7125. Please park on Glen Allen.



From the chronicler

Greetings! Once again the sun is shining warmer, the sky is getting bluer, birds are singing, flowers are blooming, fighters are warming up...

Yes, those unmistakable signs that Spring is coming. With spring also comes a new year's worth of Tournaments. Events that fill the body with fine food, the mind with the wonders of the Arts and Sciences, and for those of us more militant (Or was that military... I can never remember) a chance to look our best on the Tourney field killing and dying the day away. But before we go off and kill something, let us reflect back on the medieval tournament for a bit.

The classic medieval Tourney was more than just a hack and slash gathering of rusting armor, it was the social event of it's time. It was a chance for ladies to show off the latest fashions of the day, as they pined and politicked surrounded by their handservants. It was a chance for the lords to show off their wealth (Sometimes imagined) by dressing in the finest garb, the highest quality armor, having their personal herald announce them, and in general have their heraldry and banners surrounding them. All of this created much of a Faire atmosphere, with many bright colors and musicians and such... So, after such a description, I put it to you to add a bit of color or atmosphere to the next tourney you go to: bring a banner, dress brightly, offer to be someone's herald for the day (It's a great way to meet people), offer to have someone be your herald for a day, whatever. Have fun with it.

Until next month, Yours in Service... Conor

Canton Notes

The Incipient Canton of Neapsbury Downs (aka. Osprey Fjord) (Bowie and Vicinity)

The Canton has submitted a name change, to Neapsbury Downs, and Lady Therasa du Domremy has been nominated as Seneschal. Fighting practices will be on Wednesday's. See weekly activities.

The Incipient Canton of Ponte Nove (Northern Virginia)

Canton meetings held the last Sunday of each month at St. Paul's Lutheran Church on Idlewood Drive in Falls Church. Meetings begin at 7:30 PM. Call seneschal Lady Winifred for more details (703/533-8224).

For the month of March, the meeting site and day have been changed to the Pimmit Library, located at 7584 Leesburg Pike (The Sunday fighter practice site), on March 24th from 6:30 to 7:30 pm.

Next month the schedule and site will be back to normal.

The Incipient Canton of Wrattingham Lynn (Northern Prince Georges County)

The Incipient Canton of Wrattingham Lynn has their Canton meetings on the 3rd Friday of each month. Contact Seneschal Celeste at (301)-552-8784 for more details.

The Subscribers List

(Newsletters advertised in The Subscribers List are not publications of the SCA, and do not delineate SCA policies. These newsletters are generally thematic, and serve as sources of information and news on specific areas of interest.)

The Inside Line. The source for duello in Atlantia, published bi-monthly starting on January 1 of each year, subscription \$4/year. Make checks to Greg Glewwe. Mail checks and your address to: The Inside Line, c/o Greg Glewwe, 9400 Rushmore Ct., Gaithersburg, MD 20879. Tel: 301/990-8948 for more information.

THE CUSP is a newsletter for the "Borderlands" of the East and the Kingdom of Atlantia, carrying event announcements and information for the following groups: The Baronies of Bhakail, Lochmere & Storvik, the Shires of Bright Hills, Dun Carraig, Highland Foorde, Stierbach, Inglenook, Black Rose, Dawnfield, Montevale, Silver Rylle and the Bailwick of Iveyinrust. The CUSP is available from Lord Cahan Kyle (William Kyle, RD #1, Box 426, Blairs Mills, Penn. 17213). The subscription rate is \$7.00 per year.

The Blue Feather, is a newsletter for the members of Clan Blue Feather, and is to be a forum for publication to period sources, poetry and other items related to gay/lesbian/bisexual studies or individuals in the time period covered by the SCA, including articles on social attitudes, practices and general life documented in historical sources. The Blue Feather is available from Tristan Alexander at 103-J N. Rock Glen Rd., Baltimore, MD, 21229, for \$9 per year.

The Chanter and Stick, is a newsletter of the Atlantian Piping and Drumming Guild. It offers informative articles on beginning bagpipes, equipment reviews, and a source list for related accoutrements. It is available from Niall Duncan MacFarlane (Neal Towley, Rt.3 Box 467, Boone, NC 28607).

Drekkar, the newsletter of the Barony of Storvik. Subscriptions to Drekkar are \$7.00 per year, and are available or renewable by sending a check, payable to 'Barony of Storvik, SCA, Inc.' to the Chronicler (see officers listing). Please include your mundane and SCA names, your mailing address (and your phone number if you wish it listed in the directory).

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Chronicler: Lord Tristan Alexander (103-J North Rock Glen Road, Baltimore, MD 21229. Tel: 301/644-1721)

Newsletter: The Yeoman, pub. monthly, \$8 per year

Incipient Shire of Dun Carraig

Seneschal: Rose of Black Diamond, (Lisa T. Oswald, 2670 Karen Drive, Chesapeake Beach, MD 20732. Tel: 301/257-7953)

Shire of Highlande Foorde

Seneschal: Lady Ariadne Flaxenhair of Dragon's End (Anne Legowik, 814 Knoxville Road, Knoxville, MD 21758. Tel: 301/698-0751)

Chronicler: Ian MacPherson (John MacPherson 248 E. Irvin Ave. Hagerstown, MD 21740 Tel: 301/739-3096)

Newsletter: Undercurrents, pub. monthly, \$5 per year.

Barony of Lochmere

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Seneschal: Lord Galmr Ingolfsson (Wayne Prect, 320 South Drive, Severna Park, MD 21146. Tel: 301/544-3546)

Chronicler: Lady Siobhan O'Riordain (Debra Appel, 13224 Deerfield Road, Laurel, MD 20708 Tel: 301/604-2494)

Newsletter: Dredgings, pub. monthly, \$6 per year

Shire of Stierbach

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Chronicler: Baron Sillan Gareth (Steve Gofe, 1200 Friendship Way, #104, Culpeper, VA 22701. Tel: 703/825-3163)

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Seneschal: Lord Stefan of Cambion (Steve Kiefert, 9704 Beachwood Drive, Lanham, MD 20706 Tel: 301/779-5155 [anytime] or 301/731-0673 [evenings])

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Archer Marshal: Vacant
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