



The Drekkar

of the Barony of Storvik

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Upcoming Events

- June 7-9 On Target (Lochmere)
- June 8 Summer University (Berley Cort)
- June 22 Stierbach Baronial Birthday
- June 28-30 Storvik Novice & Unbelt Tourney
- July 5-7 King's Assessments (Black Diamond)

Baronial Activities

- Baronial 'At Home': June 5
- Business Meeting: June 9 (7pm)
- Fight, Rapier Practice: June 3, 10, 17, 24 (8-10pm)
- Dance Practice: June 3, 10, 17, 24 (7-9:30pm)

Minutes of Monthly Business Meeting, May 15, 2013

Attendees: Kunigunde von Darmstadt, Rayhana bint Yusuf, Griele vanden Burgh, Badouin MacKenzie, Devin of Storvik, Orla Carey, Tirzah MacCrudden, Graçia Esperança de Sevilla, James Carlyle, William the Younger, Grazia Morgano, Patricia of Trakai

Meeting commenced: 6:58

Officers' Reports

Seneschal - (Devin) The polling will be starting soon. There are two candidates for Baron/Baroness. Devin will send out a message reminding people to update their membership or they won't get the polling. Saturday is the deadline for entries.

Carlyle says he is not yet signed up as Knight Marshal. This will be taken care of right after the meeting.

Devin will not be renewing her warrant and will step down in Sept. 2013 after Battle

on the Bay. Rayhana is interested; she is currently Chatelaine and will need to be replaced in that position. William made a motion that we make Rayhana the Deputy Seneschal. This was seconded and passed. There was some discussion on which positions can be held by the same person – basically, not the ones handling money.

Devin will be away at the date of the June meeting and wants to change the meeting date. The next meeting will be on June 9 at Comfort Inn.

A few people will be attending Curia. The layout is on the same site as the Acorn. There was some discussion of what will be discussed at Curia.

Exchequer (Tirzah) – We have a little under \$6,500 in the bank. Rents for the church and meeting space have been paid.

Chatelaine (Rayhana) – She turned in the Chatelaine annual report. Grazia replied to a newcomer's email. Rayhana will take an inventory of the loaner garb, which we think is in the storage unit. William will donate some loaner garb and Kunigunde has garb to lend.

Chronicler (Kunigunde) – Newsletters are up to date.

Webminister (Grazia) – The Chronicler now has access to upload the Drekkar on the website. There is a notice up for Performer's Revel, which is an activity rather than an event.

Knight Marshal (Carlyle) – Practice continues. There have been no injuries, and everyone has blue cards so no waivers have been needed. The quarterly report needs to be done. Assisting marshals should be listed.

B&B (William) – William is going to Curia. He went to Crown Tourney: his squire-brother is King and his knight is Prince, so he will be busy.

MoAS (Johanna) – Johanna will be holding an A&S meeting Tuesday to help newcomers make garb for Pennsic.

Old Business

Gift basket – Griele needs items for the gift basket before Pennsic. Atlantia is giving a gift basket to Trimaris. Their colors are blue and white.

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New business

Polling - There was some discussion of rules regarding polling and candidacy.

Grill – The propane tank was marked 'defective'; there is a problem with the line. Devin made a motion to replace the part to fix the grill, up to \$50 for the line and/or regulator. This was seconded and unanimously approved.

Events

Novice Tourney (Carlyle is Autocrat) – Carlyle and Ilaria have discussed the event and all positions are filled. There was some discussion on a shocking mispronunciation of "A&S". Reservations for space for day shades are going to Carlyle for now. Devin and Alicia are working on the feast. Carlyle would like the menu in advance, particularly for those who have allergies. Badouin will be MIC. In addition to novice and unbelt tourneys, there will be a Ransom for the Cure tourney (taking donations), and King Amos has requested a Tournament of Chivalry. Badouin wants to check on the size of the list fence. Nikki from Bright Hills will be covering target archery. During court, novice winners will all be presented at the same time.

Battle on the Bay – Devin talked to Avice and Medb. We need an MOL, children's activities coordinator, entertainment coordinator and camping coordinator.

Johanna's name was raised for camping coordinator or children's activities. There was discussion of requirements of a warrant and completed background check by the SCA to be children's activities coordinator. Orla said that the Kingdom might expect the person to do children's activities for more than one event after they pay for the background check. Graçia suggested asking outside our barony for someone who has already had the paperwork done. Orla said that we should double-check Kingdom policy.

Patricia would like to staff a Herald's table at BoB. Graçia will be head cook. Kunigunde will be MOL. Devin will be liaison to Lochmere. We are still waiting for a budget from Lochmere.

Kingdom 12th Night 2014 – Chez Robear got the bid for 12th Night at the Almas Shrine Temple in DC. The cost includes setup and breakdown staff. The theme will be Ottoman. Graçia showed interest in offering a block of rooms at the hotel where she works; the contract for the hotel space would be through the barony. They might be able to offer a room discount and hospitality room, and shuttle vans were also suggested. There is paid parking at the Temple and it is near Metro.

Coronation – Rayhana put in Storvik's bid for Coronation in Fall 2014.

Meeting adjourned at 8:04pm

Treats – Tirzah made crab Rangoon and Devin made brownies.

Respectfully submitted,
Lady Kunigunde von Darmstadt
Chronicler for Storvik

In Museums:

Albrecht Dürer exhibition at the National Gallery of Art through June 9, 2013

<http://www.nytimes.com/2013/03/22/arts/design/albrecht-durer-master-drawings-watercolors-and-prints-at-the-national-gallery.html>

The Inns of Court

by Stefan of Cambion

The Inns of Court were a social center of Elizabethan London but they actually started centuries earlier. As the 12th and 13th century English kings consolidated central authority and introduced "common law" throughout the realm, there arose a need for men trained in the law to effectively utilize the king's courts, based in Westminster (now a part of London). Medieval universities were not the bricks-and-mortar campuses we know today; instead, teachers and students would gather for classes at an inn with sleeping and eating and common area. Therefore, the "Inns of Court" were the early law schools. They were actually inns located in or near Westminster.

The Inns gradually acquired real estate. When the Knights Templar were suppressed in 1307-12, their property in London became available and 2 of the Inns took over parts to become known as the Inner and Middle Temples (from their proximity to the Templar church, still there 900 years later). The other 2 major Inns were Grays Inn and Lincoln Inn. Those 4 are where the English still go today to become barristers.

It was important for members of the nobility/landed gentry to know some law to run their estates, deal with land and tenant issues, handle business matters, and act as local authorities. They came to London to study at the Inns of Court, although most did not stay long enough to actually pass the bar. While there, other teachers, such as fencing masters and dancing masters, would come in to teach the young gentlemen the necessary skills for their station in life.

The Inns would have balls/revels/parties and the rest of upper class London would attend, including royalty. Gambling and plays and music were other activities on the social calendar. For instance, Shakespeare's 12th Night is not actually about 12th Night, but was premiered at the Middle Temple for the occasion. During these revels, the attendees were expected to participate in a standard set of dances, sometimes called the Old Measures. One of the perks of being King or Queen was leading the line of dancers. There were no manuals or textbooks for the dancing, so what we have for documentation are surviving notes taken down by the students from the instruction by the dancing masters.

Found on the Web

The Vatican Library's collection of 82,000 manuscripts is being digitized, including 8,900 incunabula (books printed before 1501).

http://www.thestar.com/news/world/2013/05/02/digitizing_history_82000manuscript_collection_vatican_library_goes_online.html

"Female Brewers in Holland and England" by Marjolein van Dekken – paper given at the Fifth European Social Science History Conference, Berlin (2004) explores women's roles in the profession of brewing from the Middle Ages onward.

The article: <http://www.medievalists.net/2013/05/07/female-brewers-in-holland-and-england/>

The paper (work in progress): <http://socialhistory.org/sites/default/files/docs/projects/dekken.doc>

Food Recipes from the 12th Century discovered in manuscript

By Medievalists.net – April 16, 2013

Newly-discovered recipes from a manuscript written at Durham Cathedral's priory around 1140 will be recreated in a cooking workshop by Durham University (Durham, England)

<http://www.medievalists.net/2013/04/16/recipes-from-the-12th-century-discovered-in-manuscript/>

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Directions to business meeting and fight practice:

The next business meeting will be Sunday June 9 at 7pm at Comfort Inn Capital Beltway, 4050 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville MD 20705, exit 29 off of I-95.

The business meeting is held regularly every 3rd Sunday of each month.

Fight practice (heavy and rapier) and dance practice are held each Monday at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 4512 College Ave., College Park, MD 20740, at the corner of College Ave. and Princeton Ave. off of Route 1 south of Paint Branch Pkwy. 7 blocks from College Park/U of MD Metro on the Green Line.

