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Novice Tourney Approaches!



Be there, or be... somebody who is not there. I don't presume to know your life. You might not be able to attend, or maybe there's going to be a last minute problem, or possibly you just don't groove to the idea of a weekend event celebrating spring, and new beginnings. I'm not actually here to judge you. I wouldn't take that job if it was offered to me on a plate.

You wouldn't thank me for it, and I suspect I wouldn't want the job anyway...

Sorry. This gig can get weirdly philosophical, at times. Anyway, all that being said: SCORES for Novice is open.

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Upcoming Events

April 5-7: <u>Spring Coronation</u> (**NOW IN BOONVILLE, SC**). In honor of the Realm's Heirs, Christoph and Adelhait. Armored, rapier, archery, thrown weapons, youth combat, A&S, feast, merchanting, camping with showers on site.

April 12-14: Storvik Novice Tournament (Upper Marlboro, MD). (R) Their Excellencies Storvik invite one and all to join them for the guest investiture of the new Baronage of Highland Foorde! A&S, martial activities (Titan's Challenges), equestrian bardic, feast. Camping available.

April 20th: Night on the Town (Severn, MD). Join Lochmere for the reinvestiture of their Baronage! Rapier, A&S, Italian themed feast.

April 26-28: Revenge of the Stitch IX

(Chestertown, MD). Like I need to tell the strike teams that are even now preparing for this battle that the date draws nigh.

Regular Baronial Activities

Locations to regular baronial activities on the last page. Well, regular during a more normal time period. We currently do not have a site for in-person meetings.

Populace Gathering: April 21st: Virtual only, 6:30-9 PM. Zoom starts at 6:30, meeting at 7 PM. See the <u>Facebook event page</u> for further information.

Storvik Fighter Practice: April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 7-10PM, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church.

Archery Practice: See the <u>Facebook event</u> <u>page</u> for further information.

Equestrian Practice: All levels welcome. See the Facebook event page for further information.

Dance Practice: April 1, 15, 22, 29 St. Andrew's Episcopal Church.

Martial Related A&S: No Martial Related A&S meetings this month. See the <u>Facebook</u> <u>Event Page</u> for further information.

A&S: First Tuesday of every month. See the <u>Facebook event page</u> for contact information.

Baronial At-Home: Not at this current time.



Photo by Lord Thomas de Winter

The 8th Oar and Board Monthly Tournament took place on March 25th! fighters took part! Congratulations to our chivalric winner Lord Lucian de la Monte. Sir Marcus de Rath was declared our martial winner. The winners were awarded bottles of homemade sage caramel.

Come and join us next month for #9!

Next Tournament April 29th!

Storvik Novice Tournament!



Their Excellencies Storvik invite one and all to join them for a day of arts, fighting, feasting, and investiture! The theme this year is spring and new growth, from the clever minds and hands of the Arts and Sciences, to the fresh vigor and might on the field. The Barony as the honor of hosting both the Investiture of the new Baronage of Highland Foorde, and the Themis's Challenge in the Kingdom's Titan's Challenge Tournament! (Armored and Rapier, novice and unbelted challenges only). Finish your travels with a hot and filling feast, and enjoy the promise of Spring.

See here for more details

Greetings from their Excellencies!



From the field:

Our chronicler has reminded us that Chaucer called April a time of pilgrimages, and we are certainly going to be traveling up and down Atlantia this month! As we write this, we prepare for Spring Coronation, and the elevation of Christoph and Adelhait to the thrones. There we will renew our own oaths of fealty and friendship to our monarchs.

After that, we return to the hearthfires of Storvik, just in time for Novice Tourney. Our chronicler has also reminded us to remind all of you that this event will have archery, arts, bardic, courts, crafts, competitions, displays, feasting, fencing, fighting, sciences, thrown weapons, tourneys, and youth activities -- and that those new to a particular passion, or to the Society in general, are thricewelcome to join us! So do so! We look forward to your coming, and will be saddened by your leaving.

After that comes another journey, to Revenge of the Stitch. Our crack Storviki teams of clothiers and needleworkers have long been strong contenders in this event, and we look forward to see what grace and

beauty they produce under pressure. As always: if you see our camp, share our fire and company. And after **that** we travel to warmer lands again, to witness and feel the clash of arms as fair Atlantia chooses its new Heirs at Crown Tourney.

It will be a busy month, full of war, peace, craft, and companionship. There will be many feasts, many full glasses, and many friends old, and new. Tiring it might be, but it will be the good kind of tired. As Chaucer said, this the time of year is when folk long to go on pilgrimages, and he was right.

Of course, Chaucer also called April a time of showers. We would not object if this year he gets that one wrong.

In Service,

John and Gracia

Thegns.

Qasidah

My heart is at war with my heart
In a war, merciless and silent
Should I stay, or should I depart?
For while I bask here in the sun
To keep my promise I should start
And I wish to start it, only -

The journey is long, although the art

Of making journeys short is known to me;

But journeys today have no part

In the growth of mind or soul

That sets a pilgrimage apart

From mere travel from here to there.

So I laze about, will not depart

And claim that this is kismet, too
But deep below, my conquered heart

Will whisper that the road is there

And that my journey I should start

To fulfill a promise that I made.

⁻Written by Lord Morgan O'Lathlann, **fili** of the Royal Eastern College of Bards and former Bard for the Barony of Carillion, Kingdom of the East, for no particular reason. The style is in Qasidah, a form of Islamic poetry. See The Compleat Anachronist 67, "Ars Poetica Societatis", pages 54-57.

OYEZ! OYEZ!

Baronial News Highlights

The non-member surcharge rose to \$10, as of April 1. See here for more information.

No Dance Practice Monday, April 8th.

<u>Equestrian Practice</u>: April 21st. Storvik Co-hosting Equestrian practices with Lochmere at Schooley Mill Park (12975 Hall Shop Rd, Highland, MD 20777). Practices will start at 10 am and run until they are done. See <u>here</u> for further details.

<u>Maugie Concerts</u>: Maugie's Concerts are going on! See <u>here</u> for more information.

Medieval Embroidery Adventure! // A Contessa Project Journal: Link here. From the description: "The chronicle of my experiment creating an embroidered sleeve applique for my 15th century Florentine gown (gamurra), based on portraiture, inventories, chronicles, and extant embroidered pieces."

<u>From the KM</u>: St. Andrews Church has removed the restrictions for the indoor mask mandate for Storvik fighter/dance practice and is instead using a "personal masking preference" guideline. They ask that we open the windows during practice.

Praise the Praiseworthy: Their Excellencies welcome recommendations for awards, as always.

Skol!

Wordfame for those in Storvik's hall

- Lady Amy McAllister became a Companion of the Coral Branch at Defending the Gate! Vivat!
- Lord Leone D'Amore was inducted into the order of the Kraken at Ponte Alto Investiture! Vivat!
- All Atlantian Chivalry who fought at Gulf Wars received the Award of the Vexillium Atlantiae! Vivat!
- Storvik Fighter practice mainstay Sir Joscelin d'Outremer was made a Master of Defense at Defending the Gate, thus becoming the first Atlantian to receive four Peerages! Vivat!
- Longtime friends of Storvik Sir Hakon and Lady Hrefna are the new Baron and Baroness of Ponte Alto! Vivat!

Baronial Meeting Notes, March 17, 2024

Meeting started at 7:08 PM. 10 adults.

Officers' Reports

Seneschal

Lady Marguerite Honoree d'Cheneau/J. Chenault

- · Curia at Gulf Wars.
- Last meeting as Seneschal.

Chatelaine

William de Hirst/B. Fisher

- Awesomecon went great, gathered emails.
- · Practice demo in Columbia, doing Storvik Novice, helping with Ponte Alto Investiture

Minister of Arts and Sciences

Lady Mirabella/M. Gretsinger

- · Nothing new to report.
- Dance practice, A&S going on.
- KoAS coming up in March.

Knight Marshal

Master Celric d'Ravelle, private citizen/D. Bartlett

No cancellations for April

Social Media Officer

Lady Sonya/S. Gross

- Archery: Not present: nothing to report.
- Social Media: Not present: sent email report. Posted some AwesomeCon videos to Instagram. Herald is always looking for images and videos to share. Please tag or reach out to her if she can share your images/videos. Posted about the Spring thing. Posted about Novice. Put the Oar and Board tournament on the Storvik calendar. If people have items to post about Novice, send her way.
- Social Media (Herald): Not present: sent email report. Posted some AwesomeCon videos to Instagram. Always looking for images and videos to share. Please tag or reach out to her if she can share your images/videos.

<u>Herald</u>

Lady Rose/E. Stark

Not Present: sent email report. Had a consult; needs to send in the paperwork

Chronicler

Lord Morgan O'Lathlann/M. Lane

- The Drekkar went out.
- Needs articles!

Youth

Astrid Spakona/E. Whitlock

- Need a second person for Novice (2 deep thing); have several different activities planned.
- Researching children's stuff.
- Discussing stuff for Spring Coronation.

Exchequer/Equestrian

Doña Zarra de la Vega/L. Churchill

- Exchequer: \$16.7K ledger, \$9.7K for general use. Accounts unchanged since last month.
- Equestrian: practice today, lot of people, community is growing. Cohosting practices with Lochmere, April 21. More practices June 23 and August 11.

Webminister

Diana Della Torre

NTR

MOL

Meisterin Kunigunde/R. Green

Not present

<u>Baronage</u>

Thegn John and Thegn Gracia/J. and G. Hutchings

- Event season is ramping up. Traveling next to Defending The Gate, Ponte Alto Investiture, Coronation, Storvik Novice. Will run tavern at Novice, may run small breakfast Saturday.
- Give any recommendations to themselves and new majesties. No morning court at Novice. Might do mini pop-up courts. Very thankful for the volunteers.

Events:

- Awesomecon: Awesomecon: it went well. Ballista went over well. 3 pages physical signup sheets, 13 online contacts, was very well attended, people went looking for our presence. Dancing was a particular hit.
- Novice: Event Steward reported on event. All spots filled, but volunteers needed. Called for tents and tables. Event is generally moving along, will be multiple vigils and a wide range of activities
- Spring Thing: will need to plan for that as an event next time
- BotB 2024: Nothing to discuss.
- Novice/BotB 2025: Exchequer wants to know if to cut checks.

Old Business:

• List Fence: motion to set aside up to 1200 for renting a storage unit if necessary for a year passes. New Seneschal will be on point.

New Business:

No new business

Meeting ends 8:13 PM. Next meeting April 21st, 2024, via Zoom.

Baronial Regnum

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Thegn John West & Thegn Graçia Esperança de Sevilla J. Hutchings and G. Hutchings

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Arts & Sciences

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Bardic

Lord Charles Alexander

Equestrian

Lord William

Ethereal

Lady Marguerite de Cheneau

Heavy Weapons

Sir Marcus de Rath

Rapier

Lady Marta de Lyon

Youth

Paul of Storvik

Populace meetings are held the 3rd Sunday of the month at 6:30pm via Zoom. Baronial business will be conducted at 7pm.

Fight practice (armored 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 the College Park/U of MD Metro on the Green Line.

Archery practice currently canceled: usually on Sunday 11:00am at Adelphi archery range, 2800 University Blvd E, Adelphi, MD 20783; equipment-making at Lord Cameron's during inclement weather.

Storvik Arts & Sciences Society: 9426 Canterbury Riding, Laurel, MD. Right off I-95 exit 35A. Free unassigned parking.

Baronial At-Home:



Release Forms

Want to share something in the Drekkar? Give me legal permission to do so!

Please send submissions to

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