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Meetings

Our populace/officers meetings are held every third Thursday of the month at Thorpe Park Community Center in Flagstaff from 6:30p to 8:00p. Thorpe Park Community Center is located in Flagstaff at 245 N. Thorpe Rd.

Our meetings usually cover discussion of business items, plans for upcoming events, and occasionally a dance practice if time permits.

We usually go out for pizza after the meeting. Please feel free to join us!

OUR WORDS

Greetings All!

What a wonderful day!

We're just back from Coronation. And the elevation of Our first St Vlad's alumni to a peerage was inspiring. Lord Thaddeus is now Sir Thaddeus. He was brought into court by Sir Angus, Viscount Sir Sterling, Thegn Christopher, Thegn Gunnar, Banthege Saeun, Baron Zephyr, and the assembled members of the Barony of Ered Sul. (sorry if we didn't see who you were – it was surprisingly difficult to see from our seats once the impressive procession turned the corner).

Participation at this type of event is important not only to support the recipient, but also for the Barony. Our Barony also participated as members of two peerages during the ceremony. His Excellency Henry spoke for Thaddeus as a member of the Laurel while Viscount Sir Sterling spoke as Royal Peer. It was Our pleasure to witness the last blow, and then to see Sir Thaddeus take his place holding Kings Blood (the oath sword of Atenveldt).

Yule is on the way and will be here in barely a month! It's Ered Sul's turn to host Yule this year and we have a fabulous feast planned – watch the Baronial website at baronyoferedsul.org for more details. Seating is limited, pre-payment is required. If you just show up on the day of the event, you may not be able to attend the feast.

And in late breaking news, Sankt Vladimir's is once again an NAU club! Congratulations to the hardworking students who resurrected the club.

Don't forget! Our A&S Championship is next spring at Ered Sulabration. If you start working on your projects NOW there will be plenty of time to finish them before the event.

Now is the time to start planning for Highlands War. It isn't too early to remind your friends that Highlands is in its second year at a great new site. We have room for every kind of SCA activity. And, there is a local swimming hole only two miles from site. While we didn't make it to the swimming hole, the reports were awesome! If you have ever considered participating in equestrian activities, this is definitely the place to be. Baroness Eirny will be running an Indigo dye pot again in an even large Fiber Tent, and the plans are starting to come together for even more fiber activities. Did you miss the Mongolian felting last year? We are planning to do it again this year!

Yours in Service,

Baron Henry & Baroness Eirny
Protectors of All Things Wooly

Northern Yule 2013

Northern Yule Feast
Saturday, December 7, 2013

Ever wonder what a Banquet might have been like in 1500s Italy? Then don your best late period garb for this indoor Northern Yule event in Flagstaff, AZ. Come play period games, dance, and feast. DUE TO SITE AVAILABILITY, SEATING WILL BE LIMITED TO 70 PEOPLE.

Schedule: This dry site is open from noon to 9pm.

Event Steward: Lady Liadan of Lochlann (Mindy Fisher, mindykid@mindykid.com, 928-266-6008)

Northern Yule Feast is presented by the Barony of Ered Sul, the Barony of Granite Mountain, and the Shire of Windale. The Feast Stewards are Lord Michael the Taverner and Lady Dubhchobhlaigh inghean Eoin uí hEalaighthe. Carnivores will have plenty of dishes to sate their hunger, and vegetarian feasters will also have dishes to choose from. A side board with light snacks will be provided. The feast begins at 4:00 pm and will make its way through five courses and many tasty period dishes over 2-3 hours. Parents, please take this into consideration if bringing small children. Food will be served promptly when it is ready. Smoking is allowed outside in designated areas only.

Feast Stewards: Michael the Taverner (Michael Kolasinski, mpkolasinski@msn.com, 928-970-9702) Lady Dubhchobhlaigh inghean Eoin uí hEalaighthe (Patricia Kolasinski, grymstone1@yahoo.com, 928-970-9703)

Event Fees: Feast \$17.00 per Adult Member (18yrs and over) and \$8.00 per Youth (5 to 17 years of age). The \$5.00 non-member surcharge will apply. Registration will close on Saturday, November 30, 2013.

Reservations for the feast ARE required to guarantee your seat. Payment will be accepted by ACCEPS or check. A limited number of feast tickets are available. Checks accepted at (c/o Michael Kolasinski 8239 W Juniper Place, Payson, AZ 85541).

OFFICER REPORTS

Herald's Report October 2013

All has been quiet in Ered Sul for the month of October 2013. Nothing to report from your herald.

Yours in service,
Lora of the Four Paws

October 2013 Rapier Report

Combined Heavy Ren and Rapier practices were held at Bushmaster Park on the dates of October 27th 20th & 13th.

The 27th had 1 rapier fighter.

The 20th had 2 rapier fighters.

The 13th had 1 rapier fighter.

There were no youth fighters, no equipment failures, or any injuries.

I have been approached by Janquith Telewin (Chad Wheeler) to be an assistant marshal. I have tentatively agreed. If this gives any one cause for concern please contact me directly. He plans on having practices at his house. I will not be attending these practices however I will continue to hold joint practices with the hard suiters on Sundays.

Hopefully as soon a football season is over at NAU, we will be able to have practices at the Sky Dome. I feel this move will be of great benefit for the barony and our community of fighters. This location will help raise awareness & interest in the greater community.

Servant to the people,

Sigurd Magnusson

KINGDOM EVENTS

THROWN WEAPONS PRACTICES

C'mon out Friday evenings between 7:00 pm and 9:00 pm to hone your skills in the Thrown Weapons and earn your badges!

Practices are hosted by Baronies of Atenveldt and Sundragon and will be held at Lord Jerome's residence:

6925 W. Wilshire Dr.
Phoenix, AZ 85035

Proposed schedule is as follows;

November-2013....Friday 15th and 29th

December-2013....Friday 13th and 20th

Please watch your FB pages and group lists for details as dates are subject to change.

Please bring your own axes, knives and spears to throw as there is no loaner gear available at present. Please bring your own chair.

Cold bottled water and sodas will be provided.

This activity involves the handling of live weapons and is restricted to adults only at this time.

For more information, please call Lord Jerome the True (602) 617-3586 OR Lady Edeline de Diekirche (602) 647-0726

Aten University

November 23rd, 2013

The Kingdom of Atenveldt's first Annual Aten University, will be a one day, comprehensive training seminar for all warranted officers in the Kingdom of Atenveldt; this includes all Kingdom, Baronial, Shire, March and College officers and their emergency deputies. The event is free, non-garbed, and attendance is required.

The Kingdom will be providing breakfast and lunch and gas reimbursement is available for out of area officers. Class schedules and curriculum will be announced closer to the event.

November 23, 2013 9 am – 5 pm. 3102 N 56th Street, Phoenix AZ 85018

Barony of SunDragon Baronial Polling

January 5th, 2014

Guidelines for Baronial Letters of Intent and Baronial Polling
Letters of Intent

Unto the populace of the Barony of SunDragon: Their Excellencies, Viola and Wilhelus, will soon complete their warrant. Therefore, in accordance with Kingdom Law, The Crown is accepting Letters of Intent, from qualified couples, who wish to be considered as candidates for the position of Baron and Baroness.

To be eligible for this position, candidates must be paid members of the SCA and reside within the zip codes assigned to the Barony of SunDragon.

Letters of Intent should be sent to the Crown with copies to the Kingdom Seneschal and the current Baron and Baroness of SunDragon. Letters may be sent by either US Mail or email.

Letters of intent must be received by November 5, 2013

The following information must be included in your Letter of Intent:

Full contact information that includes both modern and SCA names, complete mailing address, phone number(s), and email addresses

Proof of current membership

A statement of your reasons for seeking the position

A statement of your plans and dreams for the future of the Barony

A brief statement of your history of participation in the Barony and within the SCA

A statement that you fully understand the responsibilities of the positions of Baron and Baroness and that you are willing to commit to a three year term of office

A statement that you understand that, if accepted as a candidate by the Crown, your Letter of Intent will be published in the Baronial newsletter.

Polling

A polling of the current paid members of the SunDragon will be conducted on January 5, 2014 at Kingdom War Practice. The polling will begin at Noon and will last until 1:30. If the results of that polling do not show a clear preference, a second run-off polling will be held immediately following the closing and tabulation of ballots from the first poll. Members are encouraged to remain onsite should a second poll be necessary.

To participate in the polling, you must possess a valid SCA membership that is listed in the zip codes assigned to the Barony of SunDragon and be eighteen years of age or older. Current membership will be verified on a membership list at the polling site, or you may present an online membership renewal confirmation that is dated after the Milpitas Registry Office list was generated. A driver's license or government picture ID will also be required to be shown to prove age and identity.

There may be some SCA members who do not reside within the zip codes currently assigned to the Barony of SunDragon but who play exclusively in the Barony of SunDragon and consider themselves as active members of the group. These individual will be allowed to cast a ballot of a different color after signing a statement agreeing to not participate in the polling of any other group in the Kingdom for the next three years.

Absentee Ballots

Proxy ballots are NOT allowed. If you are unable to attend the polling, you may follow the procedures below to submit an Absentee Ballot Letter. No exceptions will be made to the timeline or contents for an Absentee ballot to be counted, so review the requirements carefully, and send your letters in as soon as the candidates are announced.

You must write a letter to the Kingdom Seneschal stating your preference in the poll. Your absentee ballot MUST be received by December 26, 2013 to be counted.

DO NOT require a signature at delivery on a mailed ballot, as that will delay delivery. If there is a second polling, absentee ballots will only be counted if the preferred candidates remain in the run-off polling.

Your letter must include ALL of the following:

The names of one and only one couple you prefer as candidates.

Modern and SCA name and the mailing address for your membership, including zip code.

Proof of membership (Any one of membership number, photocopy of membership card, photocopy of Southwind label, photocopy of confirmation printout from online membership renewal)

Photocopy of a driver's license or government ID showing your modern name, zip code, and proof that you are 18 years of age or older.

If you do not reside within the zip codes currently assigned to the Barony of SunDragon, but consider yourself as a member thereof, your absentee ballot must include the following signed statement: "I consider myself a member of the populace of the Barony of SunDragon and promise the Crown of Atenveldt that I will not cast a ballot in any polling for another group within the Kingdom for three years following January 5, 2014."

Send the absentee ballot by US Mail or email to arrive by December 26, 2013 to seneschal@atenveldt.org or by mail to: Sylvia Baldwin, 3638 W. Campbell Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85019.

In Service to the Crown and Kingdom of Atenveldt,
Baroness Saba O'Coileain, Kingdom Seneschal, Atenveldt

Barony of Tir Ysgithr Baronial Polling

January 12th, 2014

Guidelines for Baronial Letters of Intent and Baronial Polling

Letters of Intent

Unto the populace of the Barony of Tir Ysgithr: Their Excellencies, Zhigmun and Aleyd, will soon complete their warrant. Therefore, in accordance with Kingdom Law, The Crown is accepting Letters of Intent, from qualified couples, who wish to be considered as candidates for the position of Baron and Baroness.

To be eligible for this position, candidates must be paid members of the SCA and reside within the zip codes assigned to the Barony of Tir Ysgithr. Letters of Intent should be sent to the Crown with copies to the Kingdom Seneschal and the current Baron and Baroness of Tir Ysgithr. Letters may be sent by either US Mail or email. Letters of intent must be received by November 12, 2013

The following information must be included in your Letter of Intent:

Full contact information that includes both modern and SCA names, complete mailing address, phone number(s), and email addresses

Proof of current membership

A statement of your reasons for seeking the position

A statement of your plans and dreams for the future of the Barony

A brief statement of your history of participation in the Barony and within the SCA

A statement that you fully understand the responsibilities of the positions of Baron and Baroness and that you are willing to commit to a three year term of office

A statement that you understand that, if accepted as a candidate by the Crown, your Letter of Intent will be published in the Baronial newsletter.

Polling

A polling of the current paid members of the Tir Ysigthr will be conducted on January 12, 2014 at Kingdom Southern War Practice. The polling will begin at Noon and will last until 1:30. If the results of that polling do not show a clear preference, a second run-off polling will be held

immediately following the closing and tabulation of ballots from the first poll. Members are encouraged to remain onsite should a second poll be necessary.

To participate in the polling, you must possess a valid SCA membership that is listed in the zip codes assigned to the Barony of Tir Ysgithr and be eighteen years of age or older. Current membership will be verified on a membership list at the polling site, or you may present an online membership renewal confirmation that is dated after the Milpitas Registry Office list was generated. A driver's license or government picture ID will also be required to be shown to prove age and identity.

There may be some SCA members who do not reside within the zip codes currently assigned to the Barony of Tir Ysgithr but who play exclusively in the Barony of Tir Ysgithr and consider themselves as active members of the group. These individual will be allowed to cast a ballot of a different color after signing a statement agreeing to not participate in the polling of any other group in the Kingdom for the next three years.

Absentee Ballots

Proxy ballots are NOT allowed. If you are unable to attend the polling, you may follow the procedures below to submit an Absentee Ballot Letter. No exceptions will be made to the timeline or contents for an Absentee ballot to be counted, so review the requirements carefully, and send your letters in as soon as the candidates are announced.

You must write a letter to the Kingdom Seneschal stating your preference in the poll. Your absentee ballot MUST be received by January 2, 2014 to be counted. DO NOT require a signature at delivery on a mailed ballot, as that will delay delivery. If there is a second polling, absentee ballots will only be counted if the preferred candidates remain in the run-off polling.

Your letter must include ALL of the following:

The names of one and only one couple you prefer as candidates.

Modern and SCA name and the mailing address for your membership, including zip code.

Proof of membership (Any one of membership number, photocopy of membership card, photocopy of Southwind label, photocopy of confirmation printout from online membership renewal)

Photocopy of a driver's license or government ID showing your modern name, zip code, and proof that you are 18 years of age or older.

Send the absentee ballot by US Mail or email to arrive by January 2, 2014 to seneschal@atenveldt.org or by mail to: Sylvia Baldwin, 3638 W. Campbell Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85019.

In Service to the Crown and Kingdom of Atenveldt,
Baroness Saba O'Coileain, Kingdom Seneschal, Atenveldt

BARONIAL REGNUM

<p>Baron and Baroness: Master Henry Eynhallow and Mistress Eirny Thorvaldsdottir (Henry & Irene Davis) PO Box 105 Ash Fork, AZ 86320 Coronet@baronyoferedsul.org Henry: (831) 359-1310 Irene: (831) 320-0765 NO CALLS AFTER 9 PM PLEASE!</p>	<p>Seneschal: Lady Liadan of Laithland (Melinda Fisher) mindykid@mindykid.ocm (928) 266-6008</p>
<p>Reeve: Lord Michael the Taverner (Mike Kolasinski) mpkolasinski@msn.com (928) 468-6509 NO CALLS AFTER 8:30 PM PLEASE</p>	<p>Deputy Reeve: OPEN (Please contact their excellencies if interested!)</p>
<p>Rapier Marshall: Sigurd Magnusson (Jeremiah Causer) JeremiahCauser@yahoo.com 928-853-9081</p>	<p>Archery Marshall: Lord Ivar of Elsinore (Don Fisher) donfisher@q.com 928-863-8895</p>
<p>Herald: Lady Lora of the Four Paws (Laura Minas) rdobie98@hotmail.com (928) 607-5542 NO CALLS AFTER 9 PM PLEASE</p>	<p>Acting Arts and Sciences Officer: Lady Allesia De Canaberiis (Alice Annie Wheeler) AlaskaMuse@yahoo.com 928-830-7621</p>
<p>Chronicler: Lady Dubhchobhlaigh inghean Eoin uí hEalaighthe (Pat Kolasinski) grymstone1@yahoo.com (928) 468-6509 NO CALLS AFTER 8:30 PM PLEASE</p>	<p>Deputy Arts and Sciences Officer: Viscountess Diana Della Rosa di Pergola (Denise Smith) greenunycorn@q.com</p>
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<p>Youth Officer: OPEN (Please contact their excellencies if interested!)</p>	<p>Marshal: Sir Angus MacAird (Steve Aird) Stevenjaird@gmail.com</p>

<p>Captain of the Guard: Lord Janquith Telewin (Chad Wheeler) Janquith1@yahoo.com</p>	<p>Web Minister: M’Lady Leesha Southmoor (Carol Howell) summerlurvuv@hotmail.com 928-600-5255</p>
<p>Demonstrations Officer: OPEN (Please contact their excellencies if interested!)</p>	<p>Deputy Web Minister:</p>
<p>Chirurgion: OPEN (Please contact their excellencies if interested!)</p>	<p>Chatelaine/New Comers Coordinator: Bannthegn Saeunn Kerling (Mary Highline) thehighlines@netzero.com (928) 522-0804</p>
<p>Acting Sheriff: M’Lord Delthos Southmoor (Richard Howell) Delthos@yahoo.com 928-600-5253</p>	<p>Scribe: OPEN (Please contact their excellencies if interested!)</p>

Please send any additions/changes to regnum information to Patricia Kolasinski at grymstone1@yahoo.com. Thank you.