

# THE HIGHER WORD

## BARONY OF ERED SUL - KINGDOM OF ATENVELDT

APRIL 2017

### WORDS FROM THE CORONET

Greeting unto the Noble Populace of Ered Sul,

Please join us on April 20<sup>th</sup> at the Thorpe Adult Community center, there will be a Q&A session for the Baron & Baroness candidates. We hope you can attend for this very important day! Send all your questions to the moderator, Count Sir Brian Winterbourne, at [brian.b.cole@gmail.com](mailto:brian.b.cole@gmail.com)

Polling will be taking place at Eredsulabration on May 13<sup>th</sup>. This is one of our spotlight events of the year and hope to see great attendance from our members.

Gaelic Games will be on April 15<sup>th</sup> in Kingman. We highly suggest that you support our family in the Shire of Windale and attend this fantastically fun event.

A huge thank you to the Autocrats for Highlands this year! Lady Liadan of Lochlainn (Mindy Lewis) and Baron Chavez MacTavish. If you have any questions or ideas for Highlands War, please contact them directly.

In Your Service,

Angus & Katarina, Baron & Baroness of Ered Sul

### OFFICERS OF ERED SUL

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## OPEN OFFICES

- Deputy Seneschal
- Knight Marshal
- Waiver Secretary
- Chronicler
- Equestrian Marshal
- Deputy Arts & Sciences Minister
- Deputy Archery Marshal
- Deputy Sheriff
- Deputy Chronicler
- Deputy Gold Key

## EREDSULABRATION INFO AND A&S GUIDELINES

Relax in the cool pines of Ered Sul while helping us celebrate Eredsulabration!

We will have polling to decide the next Baron and Baroness of Ered Sul!

Heavy fighters are welcome to compete for the title of executioner and cadaver!

Baronal Surgeon title is back up for grabs!

Making a return, College of Sankt Vladimir's Wind Chime Tourney!

A new A&S Champion will be chosen!

Along with all of these wonderful fun things, we will also be having a potluck. Please bring your favorite dish for all to enjoy. (Last name ending in A-G -Dessert. H-Q -Main Dish. R-Z -Side Dish)

Eredsulabration is at Peeks View Park, Directions from Flagstaff - Take route 66 East to Hwy 89 then make a right on Silver Saddle Rd and a left on Koch Field Rd. ( 20 minute drive)

If you are driving up from the south- head East on I-40 and exit onto Country Club Dr, make a left onto Country Club then a right on HW 89 then a right on Silver Saddle Rd and a left on Koch Field Rd.

Site Fee: \$10.00 with a \$5.00 member discount (Wet site) and \$2 for youth

Event Steward - Lord Sebastian of Ered Sul ([tm496@nau.edu](mailto:tm496@nau.edu))

If you are declaring for A&S Champion of Ered Sul you must live in Ered Sul lands.

Your entry needs to be a single "new" (you do not need to make it specifically for this but it can not be something you have entered into competition before) piece of art made by your hand. Documentation is required. You also need to bring at least two other pieces of art to display along your entry, documentation is not required for those pieces.

If you do not live in Ered Sul or do not wish to be Champion there will be an option to display your art for Populace Choice, no documentation will be required but is always appreciated.

Please direct any questions regarding the A&S Competition to our current champion Lady Æsa Öngull

## IMPORTANT DATES

05/6-7/17 - Coronation  
05/13/17 - Eredsulabration  
05/20-21/17 - Torneo de Belleza  
06/03/17 - Kingdom A&S Collegium  
06/17/17 - AtenU  
06/24/17 - Freya's Feast and Fest

## OTHER WAYS TO REACH US

Society Website: <http://www.sca.org>

Kingdom Website: <http://www.atenveldt.org>

Barony of Ered Sul Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/SCAEredSul/>

Baron of Ered Sul Facebook Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/135613726524285/>

## T-SHIRT AND DECAL SALES

Baronial T-Shirts and Decals are available for purchase. T-shirt sizes available at this time are 2XL, 1XL, and L. They are \$15.00 each. Decals are approx. 3" x 4" and are \$3.00 each. You can purchase them at fighter practice, Court Night, and Eredsulabration.

## LETTERS OF INTENT/BARONY OF ERED SUL

### BARONIAL POLLING

A polling of the current paid members of the Barony of Ered Sul will be conducted at the Fort Tuthill County Park, 2446 Fort Tuthill Loop, Flagstaff, AZ, 86005 to determine their support of candidates for Baron and Baroness. The polling will be held **Saturday, May 13, 2017, from Noon to 1:30 p.m.** The populace should be aware that if the first polling does not show a clear preference of the populace, a second polling will be held immediately following the closing and tabulation of ballots for the first poll. Members are encouraged to plan to remain onsite to participate should a second poll be necessary.

To participate in all pollings held that day, you must be a Sustaining, Associate, or Family member who is 18 years old or older, and must receive a Southwind or have an SCA membership in a Zip Code belonging to the Barony of Ered Sul.

- a. Current paid memberships will be verified on a membership list at the polling site, or you may present an online membership renewal dated after the date the membership list was generated by the Milpitas Registry. The Kingdom Seneschal recommends you bring proof of membership with you to ensure participation in the poll.
- b. You must reside in zip codes belonging to the Barony of Ered Sul, and this will be verified on the membership list at the polling site.

**NOTE:** Paid members who play in the Barony of Ered Sul, but do not reside in the zip codes belonging to the Barony, may not cast ballots. However, they are encouraged to make their views on candidates known to

the Crown by sending personal letters to the Crown and Kingdom Seneschal expressing their candidate selections and preferences. The Crown will consider such letters when reviewing the polling results.

- c. You must be 18 years old or older and present a picture ID at the polling site that shows your date of birth or age.

#### **ABSENTEE BALLOTS FOR BARONIAL POLLING**

If you are unable to attend the polling to cast a ballot, you may follow the below procedures to submit an Absentee Ballot for the polling. Please understand that **NO EXCEPTIONS** will be made to the timeline or contents required for an Absentee Ballot to be counted. So please review the requirements carefully, and send your letters in as soon as the candidates are announced by the Crown.

#### **IF YOU WISH TO SUBMIT AN ABSENTEE BALLOT:**

- a. Write to the Kingdom Seneschal (email or a mailed letter) stating your preference in the poll. Emailed letters will be acknowledged by email. Mailed letters must include a self-addressed, stamped envelope so receipt of the ballot can be acknowledged.
- b. Your letter must *in the hands of the Kingdom Seneschal* no later than **Sunday, May 7, 2017**. Please mail ballots early enough to arrive by that date, and allow for delays in the mail. ***Do not send ballots with signature required at delivery, as that may delay their receipt.***
- c. Your letter must include **ALL** of the following:
  1. Your candidate preference
  2. SCA and modern name, and full mailing address for your membership
  3. Proof of membership (membership number and membership expiration date)
  4. A scanned or hard copy of a picture ID showing you are 18 years old (or older).

Absentee ballots will be counted in the first polling. If a second or subsequent polling is conducted, and your ballot was for one of the candidates included in that poll, it will also be counted in that subsequent. If your ballot was for a candidate NOT included in the subsequent polling, it will not be counted.

Questions about these guidelines should be directed to the Kingdom Seneschal ([seneschal@atenveldt.org](mailto:seneschal@atenveldt.org))

Posadnitsa Natal'ia Diekova vdova Rabyrovicha, Atenveldt Kingdom Seneschal

### **The following candidates have been approved by Their Royal Majesties and Their Royal Highnesses of Atenveldt for consideration (please note some personal information has been withheld from publication but has been provided to the Crown and Coronet):**

**Modern name: Robert Rexroat**

**SCA Name: Lord Robert Av Bergen**

**Modern Name: Kellie Rexroat**

**SCA Name: Lady Kolfinna Av Bergen**

Greetings unto their Majesties of Atenveldt, Atenveldt Kingdom Seneschal, Baron and Baroness of Ered Sul, and the populace of the Barony of Ered Sul,

Lord Robert's previous "jobs" within the SCA consist of Highlands War Event Steward, Knight Marshall, and served on the financial committee of Ered Sul. Since joining the SCA in 2006 Robert has dedicated himself in serving his Barony in a multitude of areas. Robert diligently learned the art of hard suit fighting. He took this information and began training the Youth of the Barony in the art of hard suit fighting techniques. He worked with many children in the Kingdom and ran many tournaments for Highlands War and for Too Hot. Robert has shared the responsibilities for House Bornholm with Kolfinna for the past three years. Robert has been Squired to Sir Angus MacAird for 8 years. He has served as a Baronial guard for several Barons and Baroness's of Ered Sul. Robert's awards include Award of Arms, Gilded Heart of Ered Sul, Gilded Shield of Ered Sul, and the Blood of Fenris.

Lady Kolfinna's previous 'jobs' within the SCA consist of Exchequer for the College of St. Vladimir, Youth Minister of Ered Sul, and Highlands War Youth Coordinator for three years. Kolfinna researched and put together a Page program for the Youth of Ered Sul. This same Page program was recently being considered to being used at the Kingdom level. As a Youth Minister, Kolfinna motivated the Youth of the North to learn and appreciate all aspects of the SCA. They learned about history, art, chivalry, sciences, and most importantly the importance of having fun within the SCA. Kolfinna has been Ered Sul's Art and Science champion, she has served as Lady in Waiting for several Ered Sul Baroness's. Kolfinna has also shared the responsibilities of running House Bornholm for the past three years. Kolfinna's awards consist of an Award of Arms, Gilded Heart of Ered Sul, and the Beacon of the Desert.

### **Why do we want this "job"?**

We would like to be considered for Baron and Baroness of Ered Sul because we believe our love, respect, and experience in the SCA could be very beneficial to the Barony. We believe we can motivate Ered Sul's Populace into becoming even more productive and active within the SCA. We would also like to encourage and help the populace of Ered Sul reach their goals not only in the SCA but also in their regular lives. Ered Sul prides itself on being a close family and we would like to encourage that in any way. We would like to offer our current members and all newcomers a place they can call home. We would like to see everyone in Ered Sul call each other family. We would like to see an increase in membership. Newcomers are very important but, we also need to make sure the rest of the populace and the members that have been playing for years, do not get left out. It is extremely important to make sure that everyone does not lose sight of the stardust that is so important for all members of the SCA. Everyone needs to feel as if they belong, and that they are family. These older members are our teachers and the foundation of the SCA, and sometimes these members are forgotten. As Baron and Baroness, we will work toward making everyone feel that Ered Sul is home.

### **Our Goals for the Barony of Ered Sul.**

Our goals for Ered Sul are simple. We want to do everything in our power to make Ered Sul the Barony everyone wants to live in. We want to encourage the Populace to come out and be more active in any way they feel comfortable. We would like to encourage our artisans, fighters, archers, and youth into motivating others, to strive for greatness in everything they do. We would ask that everyone takes the time to learn something new, to step out of their comfort zone and learn a new art. We would like to increase our numbers as a Barony by increasing demonstrations. Participating in the Celtic Fair and Art Walks would be a goal to encourage more memberships. We would ask our artisans to bring their art and attend fighter practices occasionally, this may help encourage spectators to engage and speak with us to learn about the SCA. We would like to work with the College of St. Vladimir more and help them have a stronger role in the Barony. We would like to ask the Populace to help mentor and teach occasional classes at St. Vladimir. We would like to find a way to encourage more families to join and to make it known that the SCA is welcoming of everyone. We really want to encourage everyone to enjoy the SCA not only at the Barony level but also at the Kingdom level. We want to respect the traditions of Ered Sul and to create new traditions for years to come. Again, making everyone feel as if they our home, to call each other family is one of our main goals. Most importantly we want to create and maintain an environment where everyone feels comfortable, safe, and where they can have fun.

We fully understand the responsibilities of Baron and Baroness and are willing to commit to a three-year term of office.

We understand that, if accepted as a candidate by the Crown, our Letter of Intent will be published in the Baronial newsletter.

Respectfully,  
Lord Robert Av Bergen and Lady Kolfinna Av Bergen

**Modern Name: Kenneth M. Kratman**  
**SCA Name: Lord Fjallnir the Rooster**

**Modern Name: Natalie M. Kratman**  
**SCA Name: Nathali O'Neill**

Greetings unto their Majesties of Atenveldt, Atenveldt Kingdom Senechal, Baron and Baroness of Ered Sul, and the Populace of Ered Sul!

Fjallnir's previous "jobs" within the Barony of Ered Sul have included previous holder of the Shield of Chivalry of the Barony of Ered Sul, and the Current Baronial Champion of the Barony of Ered Sul. Fjallnir is currently squired to Sir Thaddeus Legolas of the Barony of Ered Sul, is a standing Guardian of the Crowned College of St. Goliath of the Kingdom of the Outlands and is serving as the Co-Knight's Marshall for the Shire of Windale. Fjallnir has been playing in the SCA for 31 years and during his service to the US. Military in mundania has been able to play in kingdoms across the known world. During his time in the Kingdom of the Outlands Fjallnir served as the main Autocrat for the invasion of the Crowned College of St. Goliath by the Barony of Ered Sul under the lead of Baron Angus MacAird. As a result of the invasion of St. Goliath Fjallnir moved his family to the Kingdom of Atenveldt to be closer to extended family and to the Barony of Ered Sul. Fjallnir has also received awards from the kingdom level of the Kingdom of Atenveldt that include induction into the Order of the Mount and Flame and more recently his Award of Arms in 2015.

Nathali, while a newer member to the SCA has become very interested in gaining experience within the society by providing service to the Kingdom of Atenveldt and to the Barony of Ered Sul. Nathali is currently an active member of the Tea House and has served as Co-Autocrat and lead cook for the Invasion of the Crowned College of St. Goliath. More recently Nathali has taken interest in the fighting arts of Rapier and aims to grow and expand her knowledge of other various arts to act as inspiration for our members of our Kingdom and to our Barony.

### **Why do we want this "job"?**

We would like this "job" in order to give back to and continue the traditions of the Barony of Ered Sul that welcomed us from out of kingdom and led to our decision to relocate to the Kingdom of Atenveldt. We desire to continue the preservation of the fine traditions of the Barony of Ered Sul not only for the populace and our own small child but for all who chose to enter our lands in the future. We plan to work hard and inspire the populace of the Barony of Ered Sul to become the shining example of the Kingdom of Atenveldt. We would like to build on the cornerstones set by prior Barons and Baronesses while encouraging growth in new directions withing the populace and the Barony of Ered Sul.

### **Our Goals for the Barony of Ered Sul**

Our goals for the Barony of Ered Sul include continuing the commitment to provide a welcoming and encouraging atmosphere to all whom enter our lands. We aim to foster more well rounded Scadians by providing opportunities to grow and expand our knowledge and skill base as a Barony by encouraging participation in multiple arts from the fighting arts, to A&S, to Dance, not only in our own Barony of Ered Sul but across the Kingdom of Atenveldt and onward. We would like to foster relationships new and old not only on a Baronial or Kingdom level but across the Known World. We aim to do this by open our lands to any whom wish to visit and by encouraging travel to support our brethren in neighboring lands throughout the Kingdom of Atenveldt. We aim to honor long standing traditions, to revive traditions lost and enrich the future of the Barony of Ered Sul by finding and creating new traditions to add to our great history. Granted our rich history Fjallnir and Nathali both see our youth and recruitment as the future of our great society and hope to provide expansion in the way of recruitment and strengthening our youth based activities as our youth are a critical piece to the continuation of our society. Lastly we aim to act as a reminder that our society is a place to be welcomed and a place to have fun, expand and grow.

We fully understand the responsibilities of the positions of Baron and Baroness and we are willing to commit to a three year term of office. We understand that, if accepted as a candidate by the Crown, our Letter of

Intent will be published in the Baronial newsletter.

Respectfully,  
Lord Fjallnir the Rooster and Nathali O'Neill

**Modern Name: James D. Stocking**

**SCA Name: Lord Dhonnabhainn MacEgoín**

**Modern Name: Jessica G. French**

**SCA Name: Lady Idunn of the Citadel**

Within in this letter we, Lord Dhonnabhain MacEgoín and Lady Idunn of the Citadel, submit our letter of intent for Baron and Baroness of the Barony of Ered Sul.

We have both been playing in the SCA for almost a decade strong. Dhonnabhain began playing in September of 2007, hailing from this glorious Kingdom of Atenveldt from the Barony of Ered Sul.

Idunn started playing in May of 2008, hailing from the Kingdom of the Outlands, Barony of the Citadel of the Southern Pass.

Dhonnabhainn's previous SCA "Jobs" within the Baron of Ered Sul have included being Autocrat for Highlands War and has been indispensable during set up and tear down at numerous events. He has been Deputy Fighter Marshall and is the current acting Knight Marshall for Ered Sul. He is also squired to Sir Angus MacAird, current Baron of Ered Sul. For the past 5 years he has dedicated himself to training the hard-suit fighters and helping expand the prowess of each fighter. He has also been dedicated to being hospitable for all that play and bringing in new faces to this game we all have a love for. He has made his own armor, sewn some of his own garb, practices leather work, and has started to dabble in the arts. Dhonnabhainn has been Baronial Champion of Ered Sul, Baronial Executioner, and is now the current Bard of Ered Sul; he has been recognized for honor and chivalry both on and off of the field. Awards he has been given include: The Gilded Shield, Blood of Fenris, Hawks Lure, and has been Champion of Highlands War.

Idunn began in the Barony of the Citadel of the Southern Pass in the Kingdom of the Outlands. She was List Minister there as well as Chiurgeon. She earned her Award of Arms there and was recognized for service with induction into the Order of the Astrum Australis. During her time in the Outlands, she volunteered at Estrella War, Battlemoor, and many other events as First Aid, Water Bearer, List Minister, and Security. Idunn also volunteered to teach classes at the local middle school to coincide with their history lessons on the middle ages. From the Outlands she traveled to the Barony of the Western Seas in the Kingdom of Caid and resided there from 2012 to 2014. There she encouraged many new persons to seek out the SCA. In 2014, she traveled once again.

Home is now in Ered Sul where she has served as List Minister since late 2014. She has also volunteered time as First Aid, Security, Waiver Secretary, and has acted as herald for many tournaments. She has been honored as a Companion of the Beacon of the Desert and bestowed the Gilded Heart in the First Degree. Lady Idunn is dedicated to learning both artistry and service from Master Theign Gunnar Skullsplitter. She creates jewelry and clothing. She dabbles in illumination and archery.

#### **Why do we want the "job":**

The reason why want this position is to help the current members and future new members to define their goals, help them to achieve them, and witness their success. We want to help expand the Barony with new members and to continue the traditions and hospitality that our Barony is renowned for. We want to continue to make all who enter to feel welcomed and embraced here. The Barony of Ered Sul is our home and the SCA stands as huge expansion of our family. We feel very close to the populace of Ered Sul and wish

to serve them further. We wish to continue to expand and build onto the wealth of talent this Barony has to offer, from the martial aspects such as Hardsuit, Rapier, Archery, to the Arts and Sciences such as garb and building siege weapons, and finally, to Hospitality which makes all of this possible. We want this job because we recognize the passion and character of the populace of this Barony. We would be greatly honored to represent them and their amazing accomplishments done for the Barony and the Kingdom. We are passionate about the SCA and have had many "star dust" moments in the years we have been playing. We wish to share those moments and many more with the amazing people that comprise Ered Sul and the Kingdom of Atenveldt.

### **Our Goals:**

Though we are the North and known for our bitterly cold winters, we want everyone to feel the warmth which is Ered Sul's hospitality. Their Excellencies Angus and Katarina have set a shining example of how the Baron and Baroness can change an area and we desire to expand upon their good works. Ered Sul has a rich history and the older traditions will be upheld and new ones shall be formed. We wish to expand the populace by attracting new persons, encouraging the current populace to participate more, and by enticing veteran members to return. We desire to increase the participation in the martial arts focusing on rapier, cut & thrust, and archery. We would also like to increase the visibility of the SCA by bolstering the College of Sankt Vladimir at Northern Arizona University and by increasing demonstrations on that campus as well as around Northern Arizona. We want to enhance the arts and sciences participation and encourage learning by all of the populace. With the lands of Ered Sul being great, we feel it is important to engage the populace in the outlying areas as well through travel and participation in local events. We also feel it is of importance to encourage the populace to travel so they may experience all that the Kingdom has to offer.

We will strive to be leaders in Ered Sul that the populace, the Crown, and the Known World shall be proud of.

Overall, we would like to create an enjoyable atmosphere where everyone feels welcome, safe, and are able to set aside the mundane world for a moment to bathe in stardust.

We fully understand the responsibilities of the positions of Baron and Baroness and are willing to commit to a three year term of office.

We also understand that, if accepted as candidates by the Crown, our Letter of Intent will be published in the Baronial Newsletter.

In service to the Dream and all things Wild & Woolly,  
Lord Dhonnabhainn MacEgoin & Lady Idunn of the Citadel

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