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# **Volunteer Opportunities**

The Barony of Stierbach has several opportunities open for volunteers. Current vacant positions include:

- \* Deputy Chronicler
- Deputy Knight Marshal
- Deputy Seneschal
- Quartermaster

Volunteering is a wonderful way to get to know others and give back to our Barony! If you are interested in learning more about any of these positions, please reach out to any of the current Officers.

# **Baronial Business Meeting Notes: April 12th**

Meeting called to order at 7:09 pm by Seneschal, Lord Adelric Falke.

#### Officers present:

Baroness Genefe Wölfelin
Seneschal, Lord Adelric Falke
Deputy Seneschal, {Vacant}
Exchequer, Lord Dunstan Stonehill
Chatelaine, Lord Johannes Reinhardt von Falkenstein
Chronicler & Social Media Deputy, Lady Jenefer de Winter
Herald, Noble Ahmed Mustafa
Minister of Arts & Science, Lady Cynthia Anne of Silver Lakes
Minister of Lists, Mistress Briana Morgan of the Valley
Knights Marshal, Sir Ragnar Rifsbrjoter
Webminister, Master Richard Wymarc

#### Total populace in attendance: 15

#### **Words from their Excellencies:**

Spring Crown is coming May 7<sup>th</sup>, we need retainers. Please contact our Head Retainer – Noble Ahmed Mustafa. We plan to put together a gift basket for the Heirs, we would like to assemble the day of Crown and gift it to the winners. A small contingent of Stierbachers made it to Coronation. The dayshade "little white" is not so little and can be quite the job to set up. We would like to approach the populace about acquiring a smaller white dayshade for travel. Rainbow ribbons are being sported by some to support the LGBTQ+ community in the SCA; We will be wearing these as well, and support anyone who wishes to do so. Finally, send award recommendations!

#### **Officer Reports:**

Seneschal: 1st quarter report filed on time. It is hoped that all officers will do so as well. Due date is 4/15.

I posted my hopes, priorities, and goals for the direction of the Barony during my tenure in this office. I welcome any input, recommendations, discussions, and guidance. I also welcome your partnership and assistance in achieving them. This is not an all-encompassing list, there will be additional short and long-term goals added as necessary.

• Get back to in-person activities and events that welcomes and supports newcomers; returning members; and our new arrivals from out of Kingdom.

- Encourage ownership of activities; get people involved in running activities; encourage open communications and discussions about those activities; and encourage people to take on new roles and responsibilities through linking them up with mentors.
- Make sure that we have Event Stewards and event bids for Baronial events; Officers on Baronial Staff positions; and Baronial Camp Stewards for Pennsic and War of the Wings.
- Find my replacement before my tenure is over.

If there are any current officers who a thinking about needing a replacement, please let me know.

If there is anyone willing to step up into a role, please let me know.

**<u>Volunteer Opportunities</u>**: The Barony of Stierbach has several opportunities open for volunteers. Current vacant positions include:

- Deputy Chronicler, someone to give relief to our longtime serving Chronicler
- Deputy Knight Marshal, someone to give relief to our longtime serving Knights Marshal
- Quartermaster, someone to take over management and access control of our baronial storage locker
- Deputy Seneschal, to act as drop dead and run business meetings if Seneschal is unavailable

The 1st QTR Seneschal Report has been submitted, Officer Reports due 15 Apr, please let me know if you need any assistance with submitting your reports or if you are not going to be able to meet the suspense for any reason

Their Excellencies have confirmed Lord Allen of Wolhou as the Baronial Camp Steward for the Baronial Camp at Pennsic. Pre-Registration is open. Please be on the lookout for some informational post regarding the Baronial Camp Plans from Lord Allen. Please contact Lord Allen if you are planning to camp with the barony.

Does anyone have a contact at the Church where we used to hold our Baronial Business Meetings? I'm planning a trip out there in a few weeks to talk to them about availability of space and their rules for using their space in anticipation of getting back to in-person meetings.

**Exchequer:** New bank account is set up — currently have three signers. Ready to start using. Still writing checks off the old account, waiting for checks for new account Looking for a Deputy Exchequer — new Quartermaster can do it. Financial policy has been on website for one month, no comments have been received. Will repost to Facebook and website. Cerwidwen went over proposed budget for 2022. {Discussion} Cerwidwen moved to approve budget total of \$4025.00, motion passed. Additional discussion by Seneschal regarding a review of books, inventory of storage shed.

**Chatelaine:** Didn't make it to the demo event in Isenfir. Searching for a Deputy especially with Crown coming up as I am assisting the Autocrat. Working on Quarterly report. Seneschal to Chatelaine: Post Crown, recommend going through the Gold Key and pulling out anything that is unusable or in excess to dispose of or turn over to Richard Wymarc for the silent auctions?

**Chronicler & Social Media Deputy:** Newsletter went out a day late due to life events. Planning to set up a Baronial Instagram account and TikTok account. We need to utilize social media to grow our Barony. Will look at creating Baronial business cards as well per Seneschal recommendation.

**Knight's Marshal:** Will submit quarter report. No official practices going on. Grimmsfield is open for archery. We had an official Equestrian practice. *Seneschal asked Knight's Marshal to query on official and unofficial practices*. Reminder for all Marshals and Fighters to check their class, authorization, and expiration dates.

*MOL:* Nothing to report. Was asked was to MoL for Baronial Birthday, can't. *Seneschal asked how many active MoLs we have in the Barony, and what can we do to grow new ones?* We had trouble getting an MoL for Defending the Gate, we had to seek help outside the Barony. Will pull a list of warranted MoLs.

**A&S:** About to submit quarterly report. Planning to send a survey to Baronial populace to get an idea of what people do, what they would like to do, are they willing to teach, are they willing to write articles. {Discussion}

*Herald:* Defending the Gate went well, court report filed with Triton. Asked Seneschal to send email to Triton to confirm Ahmed is our Herald. Went To the Heralds Meet & Greet at Coronation. Will need retainers at Crown for Baronage. Quarterly report will be submitted at the end of the month when it's due. {Discussion with Webminister about email and contact updates} {Discussion}

**Webminister:** Kingdom had a database issue earlier today, has been fixed did not affect us. Anything created for social media send to Web. Anyone who does not have a subscription to the Moo there is a link on the website. *Per Seneschal: Would like to begin a discussion to update our Baronial Webpage and server platform? Thomas de Winter had some thoughts, would like to link Richard and Thomas up to see what ideas may come about.* 

#### **Report from the Canton of Sudentorre:**

The Defending the Gate Event and weather cornucopia was a huge Success, 365 attendees, Initial Event Report indicated \$3,100 Profit. No reported injuries. Many Awards given out. Congratulations to all of those who were recognized, and a heartfelt thanks to everyone who attended, the event staff, and those who stayed till the end to clear the site.

## Old Business:

#### • Spring Crown Tournament 7 May Update, Lord Adelric Falke:

The theme of the event is: Glory of Atlantia. Pageantry, and lots of color, prizes for best pavilion and best procession

Site Set up will be on Friday, 6 May, 10AM till Dark. (We may have to people sleeping on site). Site opens Saturday, 7 May, 8AM. Combatants must be signed in with the gate and MoL prior to 1100 AM. Procession starts promptly at 11AM. The tournament begins promptly at 1130 AM.

Numerous A&S Displays and Competitions. The KMOAS asked for assistance in monitoring the A&S displays.

Most of the Event checks should have been cut and sent out

Event Insurance request in accordance with the contract has been sent to the SCA (the day prior to the 30-day deadline) saved us a \$175 late fee.

SCARS Ore-Reg as of 4 May, 127. Anticipate many At the Gate Check-ins. Defending the Gate had 365 attendees, Coronation had over 450 attendees. We will have one lane a gate for pre-reg and two lanes to non-pre-reg. We will need some assistance with running the Gate, please contact Don Sutton.

Need 1-2 People to help with parking control 8-11 on Saturday, 7 May

Her Majesty would like to have a silent auction to raise money for the Royal Travel Fund. Our Royal Liaison will be discussion with Her Majesty any details. I am thinking maybe we can solicit donations from across the Kingdom to be delivered the morning of the event at Gate and we can have 4 Baskets to put the donations into and put them up for the silent auction. Richard Wymarc has offered to run the Silent Auctions if it is not curated. I'm personally willing to donate a basket, a bottle of wine, and 3 x bags of 10 each SPIKE Buttons.

# • <u>Baronial Birthday on October 8th</u>, <u>Update</u>, <u>Lord Johannes Reinhardt von</u> Falkenstein:

We have a theme: Harvest Festival. Cerwidwen is MoL, Syr Roussel is MIT, Lady Vivienne reservations & troll, looking for a cake-o-crat to handle ice cream social, working with Lady Cynthia on A&S. After-even campfire bardic (unofficial). Goal is to do a lead up to next year's Baronial Birthday – to plan Stierbach's 25<sup>th</sup> a Bavarian Feast.

#### **New Business:**

- We need an Autocrat for Holiday Faire 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend in November, please submit your intent to submit an event budget to the Seneschal as soon as you can.
- We are in discussions about holding a Baronial All-Thing in June either at the American Legion in Spotsylvania or another location. This would be a Garb optional social gathering; My request submitted to Kingdom to allow us to hold authorizations before Pennsic has already been approved; Pennsic Camp Planning opportunity; work on A&S Projects. Would be seeking to put forth an activity budget to pay for the site rental and drinks, food would be potluck or bring your own. Bonnie Daniels has agreed to take charge of the planning. Any thoughts?
- We have no Youth Activities, and no one cleared by Kingdom to oversee them. If anyone is interested in running youth activities, please contact the Seneschal so that he can assist with the Kingdom approvals.
- We will need a Baronial Camp Steward for War of the Wings, anyone interested please contact the Seneschal.
- Upcoming Events: (Please look at the Kingdom Calendar)
  - o Highland River Melees, Frederick Maryland, 14 May
  - o Ruby Joust, Ashland VA, 27 May
- We received a formal email request from Duchess Melisande de Belvoir (MKA) Carol O'Leary; to gauge interest in the primary boundary question is whether any or all the Virginia groups wish to be included in her effort. Copies of this letter were sent electronically to the seneschals of all Maryland, DC, and Virginia groups, to the Baronage of all such groups, and to the Kingdom Seneschal and MD and VA Deputies for informational purposes. She asks that seneschals and/or Barons/Baronesses seek the opinions of their populace to determine whether there is any interest in proceeding. I believe this issue was brought up and decided upon about 3 years ago, I have my opinion and recommendation how we should respond; but I would like to see if there is any interest in this, and I would like to respond to her with the unofficial opinion of our Barony. {DISCUSSION}

Submit award recommendations!

#### **Final Closing Thoughts from Their Excellencies:**

Thanks to Adelric for stepping into the role of Seneschal! We need award recommendations!

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 10<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm Hybrid in-person and on Zoom. Location Bethel Lutheran Church 8712 Plantation Lane, Manassas, VA 20110

Meeting Adjourned: 8:42pm

#### MISSIVE FROM THE SENESCHAL

Greetings Stierbach,

By the time you read this, my hopes are that we are recovering from a very successful Atlantian Spring Crown Tournament.

Here are some of the things in our immediate future that I would like to focus the Baronies attention on:

- Getting back to in-person activities
- Purchasing a new smaller day shade for the Barony
- Building two travel thrones for the Barony
- Getting our financial policy approved and submitted. But having a follow-on discussion about how our financial committee works.
- Identifying the Autocrat for Holiday Fair
- Identifying the Land Steward for War of the Wings

These are just a few items; I hope that we can accomplish many things together during my time as your Seneschal.

Regarding getting back to in-person activities, I would like to begin with our monthly business meetings, I contacted the Bethel Lutheran Church in Manassas where we have traditionally held our Business Meetings pre-COVID, we are fortunate that they never took us off their calendar and our previous room is still available to us. I am also working with them to see if there is a larger room option. So, we will hold our next business meeting, in-person, on Tuesday, 10 May, at the Church. The church also gave me their Wi-Fi password, so I will be bringing my laptop to allow us to also hold the Zoom Call. You will receive posts and emails regarding the Zoom details and the in-person meeting details. It is my sincere hope that over the next 2-3 months we will be able to find an alternative to the Zoom Call and get back to an audio bridge. I hope to see many of you there!

Barony of Stierbach, Monthly Business Meeting

In-Person and on-line via ZOOM

Tuesday, 10 May, 7 PM

Bethel Lutheran Church

8712 Plantation Ln, Manassas, VA 20110

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Adelric Falke

(MKA) Darrell Newman

Seneschal, Barony of Stierbach

# **BARONIAL BIRTHDAY IS COMING!**

# Oyez! Oyez!

Their Excellencies of Stierbach call the populace to help them raise the banners of gules and argent for the XXIV (24<sup>th</sup>) Birthday Celebration and Harvest Festival of our beloved Barony. Our daylong celebration will showcase the skill and talents of baronial artisans, fighters, and archers in competition and revelry. Join us the 8<sup>th</sup> day of October at our feast hall at 8456 Brock Rd, Spotsylvania Courthouse, VA 22553.

More details will follow.

In service,

Johannes Reinhardt von Falkenstein,

Baronial Birthday Event Steward



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#### May - 2022

05-07 - 05-07: <u>Atlantian Spring Crown</u> <u>Tourney</u>: Leesburg VA (Stierbach) (QK)

05-13 - 05-15: <u>Gardens of Thyme &</u> <u>Oakwood</u>: Boonville NC (Middlegate)

05-14 - 05-14: <u>Highland River Melees</u>: Frederick MD (Highland Foorde) (Q K) 05-19 - 05-21 <u>Hawkwood Baronial</u>
<u>Birthday: Spread Your Wings!</u>: Tryon NC (Hawkwood)

05-21 - 05-21: <u>On Target</u>: Annapolis

MD (Lochmere)

05-21 - 05-21: <u>Not Quite Quarterly</u> <u>Braggin' Rights Tourney</u>: Aiken SC (Ritterwald)

05-27 - 05-30: <u>Ruby Joust</u>: Ashland VA (Caer Mear) (Q K)

# For more information visit: www.atlantia.org

# **Baronial Business Meeting**

**Meets:** Second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Contact the Stierbach Seneschal <u>seneschal@stierbach.org</u> for more information.

# **Canton of Sudentorre Business Meeting**

**Meets**: Third Tuesday of the month Contact the Sudentorre Seneschal for more information (585) 309-3282

### **Newcomers:**

New to the Barony? Contact <a href="mailto:thechatelaine@stierbach.org">thechatelaine@stierbach.org</a> for more information.

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