

# THE FLAMBERGE

All the latest news from the Barony of the Flame

#### Who's Who in the Flame?

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#### **Archery Captain**

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# **Upcoming Events**

November 2023		
04 Nov	Rose Tournament	Shelby County Fairgrounds
		Shelbyville, Kentucky
19 Nov	Baronial Archery Championships	Tom Sawyer Park Archery Range
		Louisville, KY
TBD	Baronial Rapier Championships	TBD
TBD	Baronial Heavy Fighting	TBD
	Championships	
December 2023		
02 Dec	Christmas Tournament	Pritchard Community Center
		Elizabethtown, KY

### Also in the future are the following events:

A&S Championships, Bardic Championships, and Cooking Championships. More info will be available on the Barony's Facebook page as it is released. These Champions will be honored at Twelfth Night in Feb 2024.

# **Important Announcements:**

Gemma Borgia has been nominated for the next A&S Officer. Voting to take place at the Oct 2023 Baronial meeting.

Several other roles are looking for interested individuals to get involved. Nominations are open for the following:

\* Social Media Officer

Additionally, we are always looking for people who are interested in becoming a Marshal for Rapier, Heavy Fighting or Archery. Training can begin immediately!

## **Weekly Practices**

Monday - Heavy fighting, rapier, choir, A&S

St John Paul II Parish Church, 3539 Goldsmith Lane, Louisville, KY 40220 Meets from 7:00 til 9:00

Monday and Wednesday - Archery

E.P. Tom Sawyer Park Archery Range, 3000 Freys Hill Rd, Louisville, KY 40241 Meets from 6:00 til 7:30, daylight dependent

# Incendo, Don Roberto!!

The Barony of the Flame wishes to congratulate Don Roberto José Alfonso Cayetano de San Fernando Toledo Ruiz y Escalante on his elevation to knighthood at Fall Coronation, 23 Sept 2023!



When Roberto was inducted into the Order of Chivalry he swore an oath in Spanish; for those that do not speak the language the English version goes like this:

I here swear fealty and do homage to the Crown of the Middle Kingdom, to ever be a good knight and true, reverent and generous, shield of the weak, obedient to my liege-lord, foremost in battle, courteous at all times, champion of the right and the good.

It is an oath that is steeped in history, fantasy, and obligation. There are many ways to interpret it. Many take "foremost in battle" to be a prescription in melee season; I use this as the punch line to one of my favorite jokes. Few see "shield of the weak" as referring to wood or steel. At its most poignant the oath is a call to do the difficult, necessary, work of making our community better, safer, and more just,

with every action you take.

In this lens Roberto is being recognized for the work he is

already doing. He has been public and eloquent in his fight for equality, representation, and justice in the Society. In his actions he has stepped up to put his time and talent into our Barony and in his short time in the position has prioritized safety and accountability. He has been knightly in his endeavors. He has shown his respect for the varied and wonderful people of the Midrealm. He has shielded of the weak and been their voice. He has been a Royal Champion and now serves his Baron and Baroness in our highest office. He has been foremost in the battles that matter. His courtesy is impeccable, and it tempers the weapons he righteously wields as a champion of the Society.

He will be a knight exemplar.

Jaime von Atzinger, Knight of the Society



Newly knighted Don Roberto with his wife, Lady Artemisia di Torino leaving the ceremony.

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Una poesía del Don Roberto, el caballero fuertísima y verdadísima En el estilo de Juan del Encina

Brightly wave the knightly banners As the King and Queen are calling This prow squire of courtly manners, On his knees before them falling.

Su honor es su tesoro, Su amor es la verdad.

Let his virtues' tale be told: Diligent in fullest measure; Faithful, courteous, and bold, And his honor is his treasure.

Su honor es su tesoro, Su amor es la verdad.

Of his merit all have heard.
The chivalry demand no other,
And upon their liege lord's word,
Claim him as beloved brother.

Su honor es su tesoro, Su amor es la verdad.

Rise, Sir Knight! Take up thy story– Nobles bow as thou art passing– Go to service, go to glory And to honor everlasting.

Su honor es su tesoro, Su amor es la verdad.

~~Ursula Mortimer



## **Baronial Meetings**

Want to know what goes on behind the scenes in the Barony? Want to take part in the running of the Barony? Join us for the monthly baronial meetings! Meetings are held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of every month at St John Paul II Parish Church at 7:00 before practice. Please note, on meeting days practice will be extended to 9:30 pm.

## Have something to include in our newletters?

Contact chronicler@baronyoftheflame.org to submit articles, photos, shout outs and things of that ilk!