



Flamberge

The Official Newsletter of the Barony of the Flame

From the Baron and Baroness

Greetings to the most magnificent populace of the Flame!

We are constantly in awe of the successes produced by the members of this Barony! This spring the South Oaken Arts and Science competition was held locally and the event was expertly run. Thank you to all staff and volunteers who worked to make it the lovely day that it was.

Following shortly after, the 4th annual Martial Royal University of the Midrealm was an aggressively scholarly day. As ever the depth and breadth of knowledge in the Barony is a credit to us and the Kingdom. Again, we extend our thanks to the numerous bodies that it takes to run an event and do it well!

Soon, the great Pennsic War will be upon us and we will ask, as we have done for four years now that all members of the Flame come together to show our force for one day of battle! We will provide favors to wear and we encourage members, to wear the colors of the Flame for the day! We would be honored beyond! Baron Jaime will speak to the Knights and armored combatants about choosing an appropriate day and battle scenario. We encourage all members of the populace to come out that day to fight for the Dragon, bear water, hold banners and cheer on our Flame Unit.

The works and articles from the many talented Baronial members that come together in The Flamberge make up a collaborative art project. We would like to thank Lady Sadb for organizing and creating this delightful newsletter and encourage any member to submit material. Any photos of projects, poems, stories (real or imagined), artwork or interesting suggestions would be most welcome. This is a Barony rich in skill and history; this is your showcase.

Incendo!

Baron Jaime and Baroness Eleanor



Lord Ceadda bids the Lords and Ladies all of the Flame, especially to the Baron Jamie and Baroness Eleanor, to be greeted with loving and friendly words, and bids you all to know that it very often comes to my mind what wise and loving men and women dwell within that land.



The days here seem so long that the sky barely grows dark before it lightens once again, the sun rising on the new day. And each day brings more work, more study, and more knowledge. Yet I have still found the time to travel a bit and learn from the people here and explore the lands. At least I am comforted in the knowledge that the days here will never be as hot nor as humid as the aptly named Barony of the Flame.

In the interim however, I journeyed through Northumbria, to the edge of the North Sea, to make a pilgrimage to the Whitby, the seaside town where a great synod of the church was held in 664. There I explored the great church, built high on the cliff, where storms and salt water have broken the stones, and scored the rocks. Another time I joined a Saxon exploration party where the Ealdorman led us to the border of Albion, whereupon we set sail for two days on the ship they called 'The Bear.' We encountered no resistance from the barbarian tribes, and the weather was mostly cooperative, windy, but little rain. I made many friends on that journey and was introduced to a most peculiar dish cooked in the stomach of a sheep.

I look forward to rejoining you all soon, and once again living and thriving amongst all of you fine people. Until then I would hope that everyone who reads these few words are safe and in happiness.

Until we meet again, fair well my friends.

Lord Ceadda of Foxhall

Photo Credits: Lord Ceadda of Foxhall



From the Seneschal

Greetings to the Barony,

The first half of our year has seen many successes and much recognition for our Barony and its members. Thank you to all of those helping hands that have assisted in planning, manning, and promoting our events. If you noticed an individual or a group do something amazing and haven't completed an award recommendation yet, it's easy to do and so rewarding to see others recognized. Log in and make those recommendations! <http://www.midrealm.org/op/recommend/login.php?from=/op/recommend/>

Also, this newsletter and the next will be extra long, as we are publishing the proposed changes to the Flame Baronial Charter. We will vote on the proposed changes at our Baronial 12th Night in early 2018. Then, we will do a final round of review, updated change proposals, and voting before our next Seneschal takes over. Thank you for taking the time to make suggestions and help our Barony run smoother.

In Service,

Dame Marissa von Atzinger, Seneschal



From the Chatelaine

Greetings,

Please give Gemma Borgia and her husband a warm Flame welcome as they have recently moved here from the Kingdom of Caid. While weather forced us to cancel the Ren Faire demo, I'd like to extend a special thank you to Edgar, Sir Axel and the Abbey, and our esteemed Baron for all their work in organizing the event as well as to all that had planned to attend. We had a demo at a local elementary school on June 28th from 10am to 12pm. We really appreciate the volunteers that were able to attend.

In Service,

Sgt. Rodrick Hart



From the Exchequer



Greetings Barony from your tired, but happy Exchequer.

We have been very busy these past few months! Everyone has worked hard to make the events extremely successful and I appreciate you all for your diligence!!!

Breakdown of events:

Spring Regional A&S:

Gate profit: 935.00

Lunch Profit: 428.75

Donations: 53.75

NMS Charge: -20.00

Total: 1397.50

****Special Note**** Thanks to Lady Honor von Atzinger for taking care of the cost for the site to host this event!!!

2017 Martial RUM:

Gate profit: 1336.00 (have not received bill for site)

Lunch Profit: 623.00

Auction: 856.00 (monies raised for loaner armor)

NMS Charge: -50.00

Total: 2765.00 (without site bill)

Current Baronial bank balance is \$17,127.78. As announced at the meeting, if your Baronial Office is in need of any supplies, please let me know. If there are any outstanding payments that need to be made in regard to programs used or any other Baronial expenses, please get those to me as soon as possible.

Discussion at the last meeting was about purchasing banners/flags from Sir Omarad for the Barony and key points for activity locations during events. The Barony decided that we would purchase these and they should be coming soon at a cost of \$220.00 (11 banners/flags). It was also discussed that in the future we might want to purchase a trailer for all our Baronial inventory. There will be much discussion to follow.

Please make sure before you spend monies to be reimbursed by the Barony that you have received approval for the spending.

Keep up the GREAT work and make me even more tired, I am loving it!!!

Mistress Ellowyn Kittle von Drachenstein



CAPS Demo

6/28/17



Demo for the CAPS gifted students program at
Wickland Historic Mansion.

Attended by Baron Jaime & Baroness Eleanor von Atzinger, Mistress Ilyana
Ekaterina Yosipovna, Lady Godyth Saint George and Lord David Truehart

Photo Credits: Baroness Eleanor von Atzinger

Ask a Peer

“What do you believe is the most important peer like quality?”

I believe that the most important Peer-like quality is being a "facilitator of the fun". Being a member of the society would be moot if it weren't at least enjoyable. Facilitating can be as simple as including new people into activities that interest them, to running events and teaching classes. It truly is a "lead by example" form of leadership", and has the biggest impact on the entire Society dynamic.

Sir Axel Fairhair, Knight of the Middle Kingdom

In my honest opinion, the most critical step on the Path to Peerage would be humility. Let's face it, candidates for almost any peerage KNOW when they are on the path: increased interest in the most esoteric areas of their subject/fighting, numerous peers loitering in their immediate vicinity, encouragement and recommendations from unexpected sources...all of this can lead to the thought that elevation is imminent, but...it doesn't happen. So we try harder to impress. We assume that, for what ever reason, we are all that, they just don't recognize our awesomeness. We overdo, 'cause we know EVERYTHING about our area of expertise. Except. I DON'T know everything about my area of recognition. I recognize that others, non-peers, are better than I in my own area and I continue try to improve my skill while encouraging them. I can guide, because I have walked the Path, but I still am still learning.

Mistress Myana Ekaterina Vosipovna, Order of the Laurel, Order of the Pelican

As a new Pelican in the Order, I feel that the most important Peer-Like-Quality for me was Graciousness. I feel that it is so important to be gracious and have a pleasant demeanor in all the things you do. I have found through the years, not only in the SCA but also in my working life, being pleasant to people who you are working for and who are working for you goes a long way. People respond better when they are treated like human beings and not just a number or a face.

It is of utmost importance to know who you are working around and with and know their names. I cannot tell you how many times I have had people who were volunteering at events for me how much they appreciated the fact that I not only remembered their names but that I always gave them a small token of my appreciation for the job they did. NEVER forget to say "Please" and "Thank You". I cannot tell you how much people are aware of these "little" nuances. One thing that that people who are running events or coordinating with volunteers often forget is graciousness. Our Society is formed by volunteers. This means people come to us for free and when they are kind enough to volunteer their free time to us and work at an event they have come to enjoy themselves attending, we need to be very careful how those people are treated. Please remember graciousness when you are working with the folks in the SCA. We need to keep people active and WANTING to volunteer and coming back for more!! A little "Nice" never hurt anyone.

Mistress Ellwyn Kittel von Drachenstein, Order of the Pelican

Ask a peer is a new column in the Flamberge where members of the populace can ask an anonymous question to be answered by members of the peerages. If you have something you would like to ask, please send your question to chronicler@baronyoftheflame.org it will be passed anonymously to the peers. Peer responses solicited and collected By Mistress Ellwyn Kittel von Drachenstein.

People of the Flame

"What is an SCA activity that you have never done, but would really like to try?"

I would love to get into equestrian activities. I was raised in Lexington where I learned to take care of horses, though I never learned to ride. Not only does it seem fun but there is no more chivalric activity than mounted combat.

- Sir Jaime von Atzinger, Baron of Flame

Thrown weapon, Spear-Throwing. Skill at the casting spear would be very period for my chosen persona, Red Branch in service to Emain Macha, First Century Northern Erin (Ireland). I would enjoy a chance to be part of the thrown weapon community, just haven't yet found the time.

- Master Rin Ravenfoe

I would like to learn more about brewing, especially making mead. I have made cordials before but that's more like baking, knowing what flavors go well together. I think making meads and learning how the ingredients interact and react to environments would appease the scientist in me.

- Lady Isobel Inghean Alexander



Gentlemen of the Abbey at Simple Day

Left to Right: Sir Axel von Drachenstein, Crusot du Anjou, Heinrich, Rene Rauome, Bautista Valente and William McGauen.



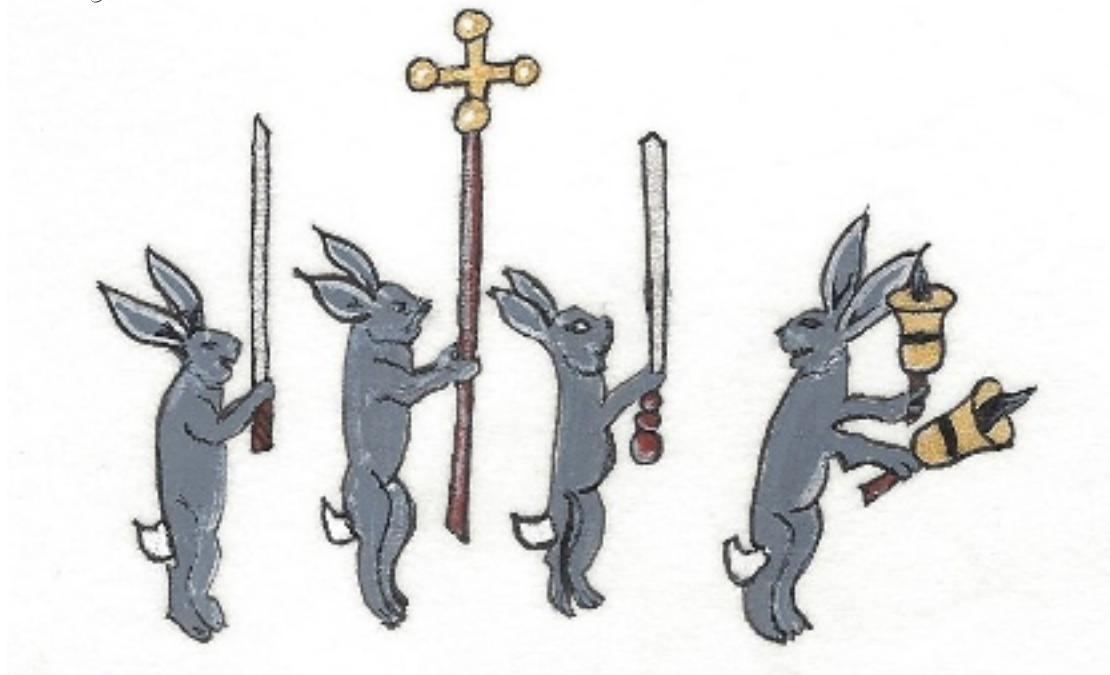
From the Herald

Greeting unto the Populace of the Barony of the Flame!

I, Onora inghean Roibeaird, have been so honored and blessed to be the Baronial Herald of such a wonderful Barony for over 3 years now. However, the time has come for me to step down out of office and let new, passionate members take my place. I will be stepping down at the end of the year and retaining my Herald status to help the next incoming herald and submissions every now and again. If you are interested in becoming a Herald, or have any questions about the office, please email me at onorathepotter@yahoo.com. I have a couple people interested, and want to give everyone an equal opportunity in reaching their goals in this wonderful organization. I will be finishing up a few projects this year, and if you wish to get something submitted soon, please let me know so we can get the process started now!

In Service to the Barony and to the Dream,

Onora inghean Roibeaird



Officer Announcement

Lady Onora inghean Roibeaird (Olivia Richardson) has volunteered to become the Deputy Youth Minister, with plans to take over the position if approved at the next Baronial Meeting.

Have you heard about the Flamma Scholares Series?

Our MOAS, THL Honor von Atzinger, has set up classes throughout the year that will highlight a specific art or science. The classes can be attended in person and some will be recorded. The videos will be uploaded to YouTube, and available on the Barony of the Flame channel.

In *July* there will be a class in **Basic Leatherworking** led by Master Aerio Orvender. Just in time for Pennsic, THL Sgt. Honor will provide a **Basic Sewing** class for garb needs.

For *August*, there will be on site **Pennsic Tours** for new folks!

September will have an **Intro to Harp** with Mistress Illyana and **Woodworking** with Sir Axel.

Because it is getting cold outside in *October* – THL Emer will provide instruction on **Nalbinding** techniques.

November brings the "**Peer series!**" Knights, Laurels and Pelicans talk about their journeys and answer questions about their experiences in the SCA.

From the Mistress of A&S

Greetings,

Many of us are gearing up for Pennsic and we have recently been approached by TRH Cellach and Vukasin's garb coordinator, our very own THL Emer to create a set of garb for them as a Barony! Stay tuned as more information comes in!

In Service,

THL Sgt. Honor von Atzinger



From the Rapier Marshal

Greetings,

Rapier activity is alive and well in the Barony. We have a dedicated few at practice almost every week, but we could always use more. As Christmas Tourney approaches, I would like a little feedback about the format of the rapier activities. I may contact the Regional MOF about hosting South Oaken Championship. The toy and food drive for the animal shelter was a success, should I repeat it? I will need help at the list table, volunteer now.

Baroness Camilla de la Reynarde



Flamma Chorom performs before court at Martial RUM
Photo by Lady Aveline de Ceresbroch



Mistress Ilyana awarded the Sapphire
at Martial Rum
Photo by Lady Aveline de Ceresbroch



Alex joins his family in court.
(Lady Sadb awarded the Willow at Martial RUM)
Photo by Lady Aveline de Ceresbroch



Elliot joins the Choir
We start them young in the Flame
Photo by Baroness Eleanor von Atzinger



Scribal Symposium

Left: Mistress Bianca teaching at
the scribal symposium on June 17.
Photo: Baroness Eleanor von Atzinger

Right: Honor von Atzinger's Big,
Beautiful, Blue B!
Photo: THL Honor von Atzinger



Dehydration: The Common Enemy

By Daffyd von Atzinger

Every fighter of every art all has one enemy in common, one that can end a day quicker and more brutal than any shot from another fighter. Of course, I am speaking about dehydration. Dehydration can cause a good day to end a lot quicker than one would want it to, merely because without proper hydration, the body will shut down, and not be able to continue with what you want it to do. And at least in my martial art, that being the Society for Creative Anachronism, the out of doors event season is quickly coming, so knowing more about dehydration is key to enjoying your time on the field.

Even mild dehydration causes a detriment to athletic performance. In fact, studies show that “...decrements in physical performance in athletes have been observed under much lower levels of dehydration, as little as 2%. 38 Under relatively mild levels of dehydration, individuals engaging in rigorous physical activity will experience decrements in performance related to reduced endurance, increased fatigue, altered thermoregulatory capability, reduced motivation, and increased perceived effort. 40, 41.” (See [Water, Hydration and Health](#), by Barry Popkin, Kristen E. D’Anci and Irwin H. Rosenberg[<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2908954/>; Inline citations theirs.])

The obvious answer is to stay hydrated, but that is a concept that is actually a lot more difficult than one would surmise from such a simple statement. Between water, sports drinks, and various homeopathic remedies such as pickle juice and watered down coconut water, there are a multitude of things that you can partake of to quench your thirst but not all of them are created equal.

The first key that I know of for staying hydrated through a long day of fighting is to prehydrate. Prehydration is prepping your body the day before for what you are doing. If you aren’t already drinking 8-10 glasses of water a day (which you should be doing) then it is key to be drinking that amount the day before you go off to your event. Also, and this is just my suggestion, to truly be well prepared to fight, don’t partake in adult beverages the night before, or if you do, then take them in moderation. The truth behind a hangover is that it is dehydration, and none of us should look to start our day out in the red before we even start fighting.

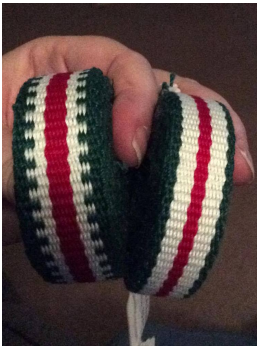
Once you start your day, it’s a key thing to take breaks to have a glass or two of water. research on proper hydration suggests that having 7-10 ounces of water after every twenty minutes of exercise. As my good friend Philip pointed out to me, a standard water bottle is approximately 16.9 ounces. An Aquafina bottle tends to be 20 ounces. Further, it suggests that you have a full gram of electrolytes if you exercise for more than an hour. Basically, one doesn’t need sports drinks until they have exercised for more than an hour. It is every fighter’s duty to keep track of their own hydration level, but if your opponent is acting like they are suffering from the effects of dehydration, do them a solid, and make sure they take a break to get some fluids in them.

Once you have completed your hopefully full day of fighting, it’s time to finish out with proper hydration at the end of the day. Here is where electrolytes are super important to restore. My personal favorite beverage for rehydration is pickle juice, it’s got a taste I don’t find offensive and it works extremely well. Some of my friends include coconut water in their plan. Also available is sports drinks, but if you go that route, cut it in half with water. It will cut the sugar that is in it.

But in all things, our goal is to prevent injury. Dehydration injuries are some of the most preventable injuries that can occur on the field or in the salon. Let’s take care of each other out there!

Artisans of the Flame

Some of the recent A&S projects by the populace of the Flame.



Trim in Midrealm colors. Cotton on the inkle loom.

Lady Isobel Inghean Alexander
Photo: Lady Alexander



Working on weaving a wool on wool Finnish Birds Eye fabric.

Baroness Eleanor von Atzinger
Photo: Baroness Eleanor von Atzinger



Elbow armor for heavy combat. Wax hardened leather. Made with the help of Sicarius.

Kyle of Fenix
Photo by: Kyle of Fenix



14th Century Paternoster made with small carved wood skulls and copper beads.

Lord William McGauen
Photo by: Lord William McGauen



New Ring Tribe Encampment pavilion poles. La Tene and Insular art. Celtic face is Msecke Zehrovice man head. Curvaliner bar is Lisnacrogher scabbard inspired.

Master Rin Ravenfoe
Photo: Master Rin Ravenfoe



Peach Lambic and 15th Century Ale in the fermentor.

Sgt Croimhthann CuRua
Photo by: Sadb ingen Neill



Elizabethan Dress and Men's Short Doublet with detachable sleeves.

Lord Michel Schmidt
Photo by: Lady Isobel Inghean Alexander



Hand Sewn Tippets

THL Honor von Atzinger
Photo: THL Honor von Atzinger

From the Chronicler

Populace of the Flame,

I hope you have enjoyed this issue of the Flamberge. Thank you to all of the contributors who have made this issue possible. Soliciting content from people for the next issue is the best part of my job as chronicler. There are lots of talented folks in the Flame, and you inspire me. Please keep sending in items for publication. I need your drawings, things you have written, pictures from events, recipes, photos and descriptions of your A&S activities, poetry, medieval jokes, comics to make each issue special.

Yours in service,

Lady Sadb ingen Neill



Weekly Practices

Tuesday Nights

Heavy Weapons, Rapier and Choir Practice

7-9pm at Frost 6th Grade Academy / Stuart Middle School
4601 Valley Station Road, Louisville, KY 40272

Wednesday Nights

Archery Practice

6-7:30pm at E.P. Tom Sawyer Park
3000 Freys Hill Rd, Louisville, KY 40241

Artwork in this issue by Mistress Bianca Rosamund, Mistress Ellowyn Kittel von Drachenstein, Lady Aislynn ingen Ronain & Lady Sadb ingen Neill

Calendar of Upcoming Events

July 2017

30-2nd- Simple Day in the Country

7-9th- Push for Pennsic

29-13- Pennsic 46

September 2017

8-10- Harvest Days

23- Fall Coronation

August 2017

29-13- Pennsic 46

October 2017

21- Fall Crown Tourney

28- Red Dragon



PLEASE NOTE: Proposed changes are highlighted in **GREEN**, and the change itself has been underlined.

Here is the Charter for the Barony of the Flame, Last Revision April 2013

Overall proposed change: capitalize Barony, Baronial, Kingdom, and Crown.

Overall proposed change: decide if subsections are a., (a), or A.

Article I. Defined Arms of the Barony of the Flame

Section 1.01 The Arms of the Barony of The Flame shall be as registered with the Laurel Sovereign of Arms, here blazoned.

Flame, Barony of the; registered Feb 1983 via the Middle Kingdom; Device:
Sable, a wavy-bladed sword gules, hilted and the blade enflamed, in base
a laurel wreath Or.

Section 1.02 The Badge of the Barony of the Flame shall be defined as:
Sable, a wavy-bladed sword gules, hilted and the blade enflamed Or

Section 1.03 The Barony of The Flame shall include the territory covered by the following ZIP Codes:

47104, 47106, 47111, 47119, 47122, 47124, 47126, 47129, 47130, 47131, 47132, 47133, 47134, 47141, 47143, 47144, 47146, 47147, 47150, 47151, 47162, 47163, 47172, 47177, 47190, 47199, 40003, 40004, 40006, 40007, 40008, 40009, 40010, 40011, 40012, 40013, 40014, 40018, 40019, 40020, 40022, 40023, 40025, 40026, 40027, 40031, 40032, 40033, 40036, 40037, 40040, 40041, 40045, 40046, 40047, 40048, 40049, 40050, 40051, 40052, 40055, 40056, 40057, 40058, 40059, 40060, 40061, 40062, 40063, 40065, 40066, 40067, 40068, 40069, 40070, 40071, 40075, 40076, 40104, 40108, 40109, 40110, 40111, 40115, 40117, 40118, 40119, 40121, 40140, 40142, 40143, 40144, 40145, 40146, 40150, 40152, 40153, 40155, 40157, 40159, 40160, 40161, 40162, 40164, 40165, 40170, 40171, 40175, 40176, 40177, 40178, 40201, 40202, 40203, 40204, 40205, 40206, 40207, 40208, 40209, 40210, 40211, 40212, 40213, 40214, 40215, 40216, 40219, 40220, 40221, 40222, 40223, 40224, 40225, 40228, 40229, 40231, 40232, 40233, 40241, 40242, 40243, 40245, 40250, 40251, 40252, 40253, 40255, 40256, 40257, 40258, 40259, 40261, 40266, 40268, 40269, 40270, 40272, 40280, 40281, 40282, 40283, 40285, 40287, 40289, 40290, 40291, 40292, 40293, 40294, 40295, 40296, 40297, 40298, 40299, 40328, 41008, 41045, 41046, 41083, 41086, 41095, 41098, 42124, 42129, 42133, 42140, 42151, 42154, 42157, 42166, 42167, 42214, 42701, 42702, 42711, 42712, 42713, 42715, 42716, 42717, 42718, 42719, 42720, 42721, 42722, 42724, 42726, 42728, 42729, 42731, 42732, 42733, 42735, 42740, 42741, 42742, 42743, 42746, 42748, 42749, 42753, 42754, 42755, 42757, 42758, 42759, 42761, 42762, 42764, 42765, 42776, 42782, 42783, 42784, 42786, 42788.

Proposed change:

Section 1.03 needs to have commas removed/added to clean up the list, and the zip codes need to be reviewed for accuracy, as some might be missing (ex. 40218).

Article II: Powers and Duties of the Baron and Baroness

Section 2.01 The Baron and/or Baroness of the Barony of the Flame shall be considered individuals even if the persons are married to each other. The Baron and the Baroness may also be referred to as the Baronial Seat, shall reign in fief to the Crown of the Middle Kingdom, and the Corpora of the Society of Creative Anachronism, Inc.

Section 2.02 The Baron shall be in attendance at least five (5) business meeting per calendar year. Likewise the Baroness shall attend at least five (5) business meetings per year. They may or may not be the same meetings.

Section 2.03 The Baronial Seat shall hold a minimum of one (1) court per calendar year.

Section 2.04 They may appoint Ambassadors or other ceremonial positions, including champions.

Section 2.05 They will swear fealty annually to the crown.

Proposed change:

Section 2.05 They will reaffirm their fealty in person to the Crown of the Middle Kingdom (or the Crown's appointed representative) at least once per reign, as per Kingdom law.

Section 2.06 They may entreaty with other local groups to alliances during times of war.

Section 2.07 They must make every reasonable attempt to attend events within their Barony.

Section 2.08 They shall have the right to bestow Baronial awards as they see fit, and hold regency courts, if the Crown wishes.

Proposed change:

Section 2.08 They shall have the right to bestow Baronial awards as they see fit, and hold regency courts, if the Crown wishes.

Section 2.09 They will make a report to the Crown, in writing, once per reign, per the laws of the Middle Kingdom.

Section 2.10 Submit a signed statement to the Registrar pledging to support and abide by this Charter. This statement must be witnessed by the Seneschal and two other Baronial officers.

Clarification needed: Define "Registrar"

Section 2.11 The Barony understands that meeting and event attendance is subject to temporary emergencies, i.e. health, job, car etc..

Proposed change:

Section 2.11 The Barony understands that meeting and event attendance is subject to temporary emergencies, i.e. health, job, car, etc.

Article III: Appointment, Resignation, and Removal of the Baron and/or Baroness

Section 3.01 The office of Territorial Baron and/or Baroness shall be for a term of 5 (five) years. They are eligible for one (1) additional term and may serve if a poll of confidence of the Barony shows support for them. After a second term, the individuals are eligible for future terms, but the full polling process must be followed. The Baron and/or Baroness must sit out a 5 (five) year term after two consecutive terms.

Proposed change:

Section 3.01 The office of Territorial Baron and/or Baroness shall be for a term of 5 (five) years, as per Kingdom law. They are eligible for one (1) additional term and may serve if a poll of confidence of the Barony shows support for them. After a second term, the individuals are eligible for future terms, but the full polling process must be followed. The Baron and/or Baroness must sit out a 5 (five) year term after two consecutive terms.

Section 3.02 Each candidate must possess at the time of the initial polling, and maintain throughout the entire warrant period, a valid SCA membership which meets the criteria of Copora Bylaws.

Proposed change:

Section 3.02 Each candidate must possess at the time of the initial polling, and maintain throughout the entire warrant period, a valid SCA membership which meets the criteria of the Corpora of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc.

Section 3.03 If the Baron and/or Baroness fail to meet the requirements set down in Section 2 and Section 6 of this article, the Barony can call for a vote of confidence. If the vote of confidence is negative, then a petition can be circulated and a letter requesting removal can be sent to the Crown.

a. If only one member of the Baronial Seat is removed or resigns, the crown decides if the other member may fulfill the term of office alone.

Proposed change:

Section 3.03 If the Baron and/or Baroness fail to meet the requirements set down in this Charter, the Baronial Officers can call for a vote of confidence. If the vote of confidence is negative, then a petition can be circulated and a letter requesting removal can be sent to the Crown.

Section 3.03(a), If only one member of the Baronial Seat is removed or resigns, the Crown decides if the other member may fulfill the term of office alone.

Section 3.04 The Crown may suspend and/or remove a Baron and/or Baroness for just and stated cause.

Section 3.05 Upon the resignation or removal of the Baron and/or Baroness the Barony is required to follow polling procedures as set down in Section 6.06 in order to replace either person.

Proposed change: Section 3.05 Upon the resignation or removal of the Baron and/or Baroness the Barony is required to follow polling procedures as set down in Section 3.06 in order to replace either person.

Section 3.06 Polling and Election Processes

Polling and the Election process shall be followed by the laws and regulations of the Middle Kingdom.

Article IV: Baronial Officers

Section 4.01 The Great Officers of the Barony, as required by Kingdom Law, are Seneschal, Herald, Exchequer, Knight Marshal, Minister of Arts and Sciences, Chronicler.

Proposed change:

Section 4.01 The Great Officers of the Barony, as required by Kingdom Law, are Seneschal, Herald, Exchequer, Knight Marshal, Minister of Arts and Sciences, and Chronicler.

Section 4.02 All great officers of the barony shall report to their superiors by the kingdom mandated dates.

Proposed change:

Section 4.02 All Great Officers of the Barony shall report to their superiors by the Kingdom mandated dates.

Section 4.03 Lesser Officers of the Barony shall include: Rapier Marshal, Archery Marshal, List Mistress, Chirurgeon, and Chatelaine.

Proposed change:

Section 4.03 Lesser Officers of the Barony shall include: Rapier Marshal, Archery Marshal, List Mistress, Chatelaine, Minister of Youth, and Webminister. (Remove Chirurgeon)

Section 4.04 in order to be eligible to hold Baronial office the following qualifications must be met:

A. The candidate must reside within the confines of the Barony or obtain a waiver from his/hers superior.

B. Be a member in good standing of SCA Inc., and pledge to support Corpora, Kingdom Law, and abide by this charter.

This statement will be witnessed by the Seneschal and two other baronial officers at the time the Change of Officer form is filled out.

C. Candidates are also encouraged to publicly declare their candidacy

D. Must be willing and able to report to their superiors in a timely fashion.

E. Are strongly encouraged to hold office no less than 2 years.

F. All baronial officers are required to have a stable mailing address, email access and reliable telephone access.

Proposed change:

Section 4.04 In order to be eligible to hold Baronial office the following qualifications must be met:

(a) The candidate must reside within the confines of the Barony or obtain a waiver from their superior.

(b) The candidate must be a member in good standing of SCA Inc. for the duration of their position, and pledge to support Corpora, Kingdom Law, and abide by this Charter. This statement will be witnessed by the Seneschal and two other Baronial officers at the time the Change of Officer form is filled out.

(c) The candidate must be warranted in their office if required by Kingdom Law.

- (d) Candidates are also encouraged to publicly declare their candidacy. (Add period)
- (e) The candidate must be willing and able to report to their superiors in a timely fashion.
- (f) Candidates are strongly encouraged to hold office no less than 2 years.
- (g) All Baronial officers are required to have a stable mailing address, email access and reliable telephone access.

Proposed change:

Add Section 4.05 An individual serving in a Baronial Great Office cannot hold a second Great Office simultaneously, but may hold, for no more than one year, a Lesser Office, until a suitable replacement is found. An individual serving in a Baronial Lesser Office can hold another Lesser Office for any period of time until a suitable replacement is found.

Article V: Greater Officer Duties

Section 5.01 All Great Officers of the Barony shall be empowered to appoint such assistants in office as are needful to the effective performance of the duties of that office.

Proposed change:

Section 5.01 All Great Officers of the Barony shall be empowered to appoint such assistants in office as are needed to effectively perform the duties of that office.

These deputy officers serve as any combination of the following:

- A) Assistants in day to day responsibilities
- B) Backup, for when the officer cannot be present
- C) A replacement "in training"

Proposed change:

These deputy officers serve as any combination of the following:

- (a) Assistants in day to day responsibilities
- (b) Backup, for when the officer cannot be present
- (c) A replacement "in training"

(edit section letters for consistency)

Should a deputy be required to take over in a "drop dead" situation, they would be expected to fulfill the job responsibilities for three months. In the first month the office vacancy would be announced, and nominations declared. The elections would be held in the second and third month, with the permanent replacement determined in the third month.

Section 5.02 There shall be maintained a permanent record of all correspondence and activities carried on in the performance of the duties of each office, the same record to be subject to examination by any member, with cause, of the Barony and further subject to be turned over to any successors in the office.

Section 5.03 All officers shall make every reasonable attempt to attend Baronial events. Officers are responsible for overseeing all official activities that fall within their area in person or their appointed representative.

Proposed change:

Section 5.03 All officers shall make every reasonable attempt to attend Baronial events. Officers are responsible for overseeing all official activities that fall within their area in person. Officers shall appoint a representative to oversee official event activities if the Officer cannot attend the event.

Section 5.04 The Baronial Seneschal shall act as legal representative in accordance with the laws of the Middle Kingdom, and the Corpora of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc.

Section 5.05 The Baronial Herald shall act as the voice of the Baronial Seat and if necessary the voice of the Crown in making proclamations of the Baronial Seat in accordance with the Charter, the law of the Middle Kingdom, and the Corpora of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc. The Herald shall also lend assistance as needed to the populace to create and submit their heraldic device and persona name.

Proposed change:

Section 5.05 The Baronial Herald shall act as the voice of the Baronial Seat and, if necessary, the voice of the Crown in making proclamations of the Baronial Seat in accordance with this Charter, the law of the Middle Kingdom, and the Corpora of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc. The Herald shall also lend assistance as needed to the populace to create and submit their heraldic device and persona name.

Section 5.06 The Baronial Exchequer shall submit an income and expense report to the Barony at least once a year in accordance with the Charter, Laws of the Middle Kingdom, and the Corpora of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc. The Exchequer shall report the baronial balance at monthly meetings.

Proposed change:

Section 5.06 The Baronial Exchequer shall submit a report to the Regional Exchequer monthly as required by Midrealm rules, quarterly to the Kingdom and Regional Exchequer, and a final Domesday Report at the end of the year as required by Kingdom/Society Law. The Baronial Exchequer shall report finances and any other business at each Baronial meeting.

Section 5.07 The Baronial Knight Marshal shall make every effort to promote the safe and orderly conduct of armored combat on the Lists of the Barony in accordance with the Rules of the List, the conventions of the Middle Kingdom, and in accordance with the Charter and the Corpora of the Middle Kingdom.

Proposed change:

Section 5.07 The Baronial Knight Marshal shall make every effort to promote the safe and orderly conduct of armored combat on the Lists of the Barony in accordance with the Rules of the List, the conventions of the Middle Kingdom, and in accordance with this Charter and the Corpora of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc.

Section 5.08 The Baronial Minister of Arts and Sciences shall have the responsibility for the encouragement and organization of the study and practice of the peaceful Arts and Sciences with in the Barony, and for the maintenance of records of research in these arts and sciences in accordance with the Charter, laws of the Middle Kingdom, and the Corpora of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc.

Section 5.08(a) The Baronial Knight Marshal, Baronial Archery Marshal, and the Baronial Rapier Marshal shall be responsible for the proper training and conduct of all participants and prospective participants of the Barony, in their respective areas, and shall develop a positive program and be ultimately responsible for the attainments of this end.

Proposed change:

Renumber to Section 5.07(a), as that is a more relevant location for this.

Section 5.09 The Baronial Chronicler shall have the responsibility for publishing and distributing The Flame publication "Flamberge" hereafter referred to as The Flamberge, the official newsletter of the Barony of the Flame, on a regular schedule. The Chronicler shall print all public announcements and report news therein in accordance with the By-Laws, the Laws of the Middle Kingdom and the Corpora of the Society of Creative Anachronism, Inc.

(a) The Flamberge shall be published on a quarterly basis. The deadline for submissions is at the discretion of the Chronicler.

Proposed change:

Section 5.09 The Baronial Chronicler shall have the responsibility for publishing and distributing The Flame publication "Flamberge" hereafter referred to as The Flamberge, the official newsletter of the Barony of the Flame, on a regular schedule. The Chronicler shall print all public announcements and report news therein in accordance with this Charter, the Laws of the Middle Kingdom and the Corpora of the Society of Creative Anachronism, Inc.

Section 5.09(a) The Flamberge shall be published on a quarterly basis. The deadline for submissions is at the discretion of the Chronicler.

Article VI: Lesser Officers

Proposed change:

Article VI: Lesser Officer Duties

Section 6.01 The Lesser Officers All Lesser Officers shall be appointed or removed from office under signed warrant by their respective superiors.

Proposed change:

Section 6.01 All Lesser Officers shall be appointed or removed from office under signed warrant by their respective superiors. (Remove "The Lesser Officers")

Section 6.02 The Baronial Rapier Marshal, a deputy to the Knight's Marshal, shall coordinate all period fencing activities within the Barony. The Rapier Marshal shall be responsible for all required paperwork pertaining to period fencing. The authority of the Rapier Marshal shall not extend to other forms of combat.

Proposed change:

Section 6.02 The Baronial Rapier Marshal, a deputy to the Knight's Marshal, shall coordinate all period fencing activities, as permitted within the rules of the Society for Creative Anachronism and the Middle Kingdom, within the Barony. The Rapier Marshal shall be responsible for all required paperwork pertaining to such fencing. The authority of the Rapier Marshal shall not extend to other forms of combat.

Section 6.03 The Baronial Archery Marshal, a deputy to the Knight's Marshal, shall coordinate all archery and missile activities within the Barony. The Baronial Archery Marshal shall be responsible for all required paperwork pertaining to archery and related activities. The authority of the Baronial Archery Marshal shall not extend to other forms of combat.

Proposed change:

Section 6.03 The Baronial Archery Marshal, a deputy to the Knight's Marshal, shall coordinate all archery and missile activities within the Barony, as permitted within the rules of the Society for Creative Anachronism and the Middle Kingdom. The Baronial Archery Marshal shall be responsible for all required paperwork pertaining to archery and related activities. The authority of the Baronial Archery Marshal shall not extend to other forms of combat.

Section 6.04 The Baronial Chatelaine, a deputy of the Seneschal, shall be responsible for the introduction, and education of the new and prospective members in the culture, customs and courtesies of the Society. The baronial chatelaine is responsible for the maintenance and storage of the gold key.

Proposed change:

Section 6.04 The Baronial Chatelaine, a deputy of the Seneschal, shall be responsible for the introduction and education of the new and prospective members in the culture, customs and courtesies of the Society. The Baronial Chatelaine is responsible for the maintenance and storage of the gold key.

Section 6.05 The Baronial Chirurgeon, a deputy to the Seneschal, shall be responsible for training Chirurgeons within the Barony, and organizing Chirurgeon activities for Baronial events according to the Corpora of the SCA, the Laws of the Middle Kingdom, and the Chirurgeon's Handbook.

Proposed change:

Remove this section, as Chirurgeon is no longer an SCA office.

Section 6.06 The Baronial Webminister, a deputy to the Chronicler, shall be responsible for the upkeep of the Baronial official Internet presence, including but not limited to the email mailing list, the Baronial webpage, Facebook account, and any other internet presence created in the future, pursuant to the guidelines in the Webminister's Handbook.

Proposed change:

Renumber to Section 6.05 after removing Chirurgeon.

Section 6.05 The Baronial Webminister, a deputy to the Chronicler, shall be responsible for the upkeep of the official Baronial online presence, including but not limited to the email mailing list, the Baronial webpage, and any other internet presence created in the future, pursuant to the guidelines in the Webminister's Handbook. (Remove Facebook account.)

Article VII: Appointment, Resignation or removal process of an officer.

Proposed change:

Article VII Appointment, Resignation or Removal Process of an Officer

Section 7.01 Selection process of an officer.

- (a) Announcement of interest in the office at the monthly business meeting.
- (b) Announcement published in The Flamberge for 1 Issue.

- (c) One month after announcements are made, take a vote of confidence from the populace.
- (d) The candidates are subject to approval by the Crown and kingdom officers.

Proposed change:

Section 7.01 Selection process of an officer.

- (a) Announcement of interest in the office at a Baronial meeting.
- (b) Announcement published in The Flamberg for one issue, and posted to Baronial Facebook group.
- (c) One month after announcements are made, take a vote of confidence from the populace.
- (d) The candidates are subject to approval by the Crown and Kingdom officers.

Section 7.02 Removal of an Officer. The process to remove a baronial officer from his or her office shall be as follows:

- (a) In the monthly business, or preferably officer's meeting, a quorum of officers decides if the officer in question is unable to fulfill the office.
- (b) The Seneschal and/or officer will contact the officer and determine if the situation is temporary and the officer will be able to resume his or her duties in a timely manner.
- (c) If the situation is not temporary, the seneschal or officer then contacts the Kingdom superior for immediate action.
- (d) Other actions can be determined as the situation requires.

Proposed change:

Section 7.02 Removal of an Officer. The process to remove a Baronial officer from their office shall be as follows:

- (a) In a Baronial meeting, or preferably officer's meeting, a quorum of officers decides if the officer in question is unable to fulfill the office.
- (b) The Seneschal (remove "and/or officer") will contact the officer and determine if the situation is temporary and the officer will be able to resume their duties in a timely manner.
- (c) If the situation is not temporary, the Seneschal or officer will contact the Kingdom superior for immediate action.
- (d) Other actions can be determined as the situation requires.

Article VIII: Term Limits for Great Officers

Section 8.01 The term of office for Great Officers shall be a maximum two (2) years, counted from the date of their assumption of their duties

Proposed change:

Section 8.01 The term of office for Great Officers shall be a maximum two (2) years, counted from the date of their assumption of their duties. (Add period)

Section 8.02 The Barony shall place a limit of three (3) consecutive terms a person may serve in these positions. A person can sit out one term and then run again. However, should no individual volunteer to take the position, the incumbent shall be allowed to serve additional terms until a suitable replacement can be found.

Section 4.03 All terms of office are subject to warranting by the appropriate authorities.

Proposed change:

Remove, as this has been added to Section 4.04 and does not pertain to Term Limits.

Article IX: Financial Policy

Section 1.01 See Baronial Financial Policy

Proposed change:

Section 9.01 The Barony of the Flame will adhere to the rules outlined in the Middle Kingdom Financial Policy.

Proposed changes:

Add Section 9.02 The Baronial Financial Committee shall consist of the following officers, all of which must have a valid, up-to-date SCA membership:

- (a) Baronial Seneschal

- (b) Baronial Exchequer
- (c) Baronial Herald
- (d) Meetings will be attended by either the Baron or Baroness

Add Section 9.03 Financial Committee meetings may be held in person or online via chat. There must be a quorum of members for any vote to take place. Majority vote will pass a proposal. Under no circumstances may Baronial funds be spent without prior approval. Any funds spent without prior approval could result in an individual not receiving a reimbursement.

Add Section 9.04 The Barony must maintain a Business Checking account with a reputable bank. The Baronial Exchequer and Seneschal must be signatories on the account. It is ideal that the Kingdom Exchequer also be listed on the account. All checks written for payments must have two signatures in order to be valid.

- (a) For ideal coverage, at least one other Baronial member should be listed as a signatory on the account.
- (b) Anyone listed as signatory on the Baronial account must have a valid, up-to-date SCA membership.

Add Section 9.05 A Baronial item inventory shall be completed on a yearly basis, and an inventory list shall be maintained by the Baronial Exchequer. Baronial members are expected to assist with yearly inventory duties.

- (a) Any items to be purchased will be presented at a Baronial meeting or publically announced for input, and the Financial Committee will vote to approve potential purchases.
- (b) The Baronial Seneschal and Exchequer must approve usage of any items belonging to the Barony before they are removed from storage.

Article X: Events

Section 10.01 See also Baronial Financial Policy

Proposed change:

Section 10.01 See also Baronial Financial Policy, Article IX.

Section 10.02 The following steps are part of the event approval process:

- (a) The potential autocrat will submit a proposal which includes an event plan.
- (b) The Barony will vote on the proposal.

Proposed changes:

Section 10.02 Any individual wishing to "steward" a Baronial Event must submit a written proposal to the Baronial Seneschal in the timeline given. The proposal must include the following information:

- (a) Site location and cost/rental fee
- (b) Proposed site fees for attendees
- (c) Staff (if known)
- (d) Proposed theme (if known)
- (e) Prior expenses/overhead (estimated)
- (f) Estimated break-even
- (g) Proposed feast cost (if applicable)
- (h) Any other relevant information regarding event

Proposals will be reviewed by the Seneschal and all other Baronial Officers. Proposals will then be brought to the next Baronial meeting for member input, with a final decision decided by a majority of Officer votes.

In the event that an approved event proposal budget is not adhered to, it may result in funds not being reimbursed to individual. The Baronial Financial Committee will review overages and make a fair decision on final reimbursements.

Article XI: Charter Reviews and Amendments

Section 9.01 A charter review session will be held annually, (normally in October)

Proposed change:

Section 11.01 A Charter review session will be held on a regular basis, no less than once every two (2) years. However, any Baronial member can propose Charter changes at any time by announcing them at a Baronial meeting or informing the Seneschal, who can announce it at a meeting.

Section 9.02 Any proposed changes to the charter must be brought up at a baronial meeting. The proposed change shall be printed in two consecutive issues of "The Flamberge". At the baronial meeting occurring after the two printings, the populous shall vote on the proposed change(s). Said changes will need a plurality of the voting members present to pass. Changes are subject to approval by the Crown and appropriate kingdom officials.

Proposed change:

Section 11.02 Any proposed changes to the Charter must be brought up at a Baronial meeting or otherwise brought to the Seneschal's attention. The proposed change shall be printed in one issue of "The Flamberge". At a Baronial meeting occurring at least one month after the proposed changes have been published, the populace shall vote on the proposed change(s). Said changes will need a plurality of the voting members present to pass. Changes are subject to approval by the Crown and appropriate Kingdom officials.



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