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From the Chronicler

Please send content to adelaide@huscarles.ca

Deadline for the next edition of the Aurora will be April 22, 2013

It would be lovely to get new submissions from Borealis members to continue to make the newsletters interesting.

Adelaide de Honfleur

Borealis Chronicler

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From the Seneschal

The Barony of Borealis has the following officer position openings:

Warden of Youth/ Combat

Master of Arrows

Gold Key (Deputy of the Chatelaine)

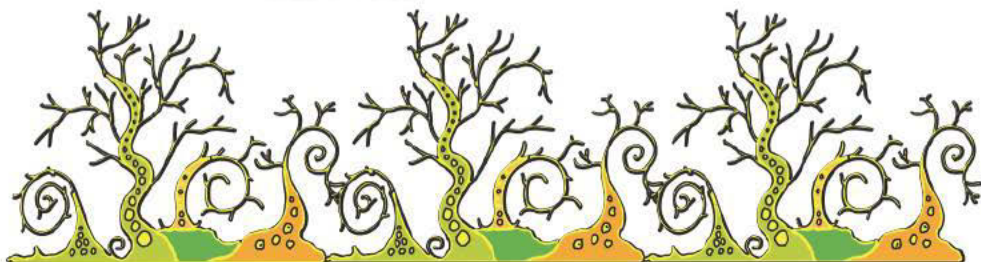
Scribe

Family Activities Coordinator

In Service,

Maistreas Sadb ingen Thuathail

Seneschal Barony of Borealis





Other Groups
In The
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of Avacal



Bitter End
(Red Deer, AB) (Shire)
www.sca-bitterend.org/

Bordergate
(Cold Lake, AB) (Shire)



Cold Keep
(Prince George, BC) (Shire)
www.avacal-sca.org/coldkeep/



Montengarde
(Calgary, AB) (Barony)
www.montengarde.org/inside.html

Myrgan Wood
(Saskatoon, SK) (Barony)
theringlord.org/mw/



Rhuddglyn
(Medicine Hat, AB) (Shire)
www.avacal-sca.org/rhuddglyn/

Sigelhundas
(Regina, SK) (Shire)
www.sigelhundas.or/



Valley Wold
(Moose Jaw, SK) (Shire)
valleywold.ca/index.htm

Vinjar
(Grande Prairie) (Shire)
vinjar.antir.sca.org/



Upcoming Events:



April 19, 2014
Silver Arrow
Shire of Bitter End



April 26, 2014
Spring Champions
Barony of Myrgan Wood



May 3 2014
Cold Keep Defender
Shire of Cold Keep



May 10, 2014
Ferret's Feast
Valley Wold



May 16, 2014
May Crown
Kingdom of Antir



June 7, 2014
June Coronet
Principality of Avacal

Estrella War

This was our year to check out the Estrella War again. I've been there before: twice at the Estrella Mountain Park site and three times at the site near Florence. This year the event was held at the Schnepf Farms, a short drive south of Apache Junction. We were curious about the new site. We wanted to enjoy some Arizona sunshine. No, we weren't there for the fighting. (Talk with H.E. Inga for stories about the fighting and camping.)

It was wonderful to get away for a few days. We flew down so we had to rent a car and book a motel (can't bring much camping gear on an airplane). That made the trip more expensive but also quicker and more like a real vacation.

I was disappointed with the event itself. It seemed the attendance was down considerably from what I remember of ten years ago. The site was not well suited to the event. Reminders of the modern world were everywhere. The main road through the camp -- from the gate to the parking lot -- ran right past Merchants' Row so there was a constant stream of traffic. To walk



from Merchants' Row to the area where classes were held we had to walk past the "large RV" camping

One thing I did enjoy was the A&S classes. I took a total of five classes (actually six, because one was a double class): Fabric Identification, Fashion Forensics, Norse and Rus Women's Headwear, St. Birgitta's Cap and Braies and Chausses. While I was in classes Dirk checked out the food vendors and sat in the shade reading a book.

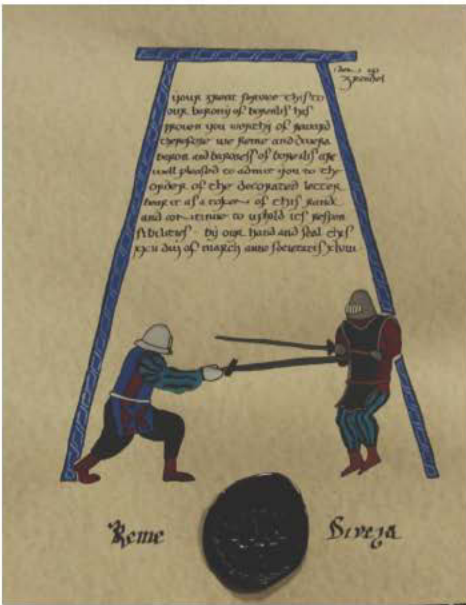
Another fine pastime was looking at the merchants' wares. There weren't as many merchants as I remember from previous years but enough to make me spend money. I bought fine linen and silk fabric (for veils) and also a few books at Pastiche. I found silk yarn at White Wolf and the Phoenix. At the Calontir Trim Merchant's booth I bought yards and yards of trim.

All in all it was a satisfying trip. Will I go to future Estrella Wars? Perhaps.... Or maybe I'll save up my travel money for a different event. The sights, the classes and the shopping are much better at the Pennsic War. Too bad it's so far away.... and in the heat of summer... and it conflicts with Quad War....

Coryn of the Wood

Winter War

Winter War has lots of action, fighting and court. It also has a huge potluck feast and beautiful artwork awards which is the feature of this photo shoot. The people of Avacal work hard to make all the parts of the event great.



Borealis Officers



Seneschal
Sadb



Herald
Daniel the Broc



Exchequer
Jenette Wen
Moryen



Master of Stables
Edward Vikingsson

**Warden of Youth
Combat**
Peregrine



Master of Fence
Dante Machiavelli



**Minister of Art &
Science**
Coryn of the Wode

Deputy- Catherine
of the Rowan tree

Bardic Deputy-
Vacant

Tavern Report

BARONY OF BOREALIS
MINUTES FOR March 12, 2014
START: 7:31PM

Welcome Newcomers – We have two newcomers tonight, please make them welcome.

Reports:

Baron/Baroness – Baroness Divera - Just a reminder that Winter War is from 21-23 March in Wetaskiwin. I encourage all of you to come out and participate. Look on Yahoo for updates, our these is "Are you friend or foe". We are going to have a lovely time. The Admin retreat is the week after Winter War in Bitter End, we have 3 different streams going on; we encourage you to come out and learn how the other side of the SCA works.

Look to the left and right – we are always wanting to know the good needs of the populace; take the opportunity to recommend someone to us.

Seneschal – Sadb – Don't forget to sign up for Taverns, the Huscarles are unable to host the April Tavern. If you are interested in hosting a Tavern please sign up at the gate. Divera – This is a good way to raise funds for your group.

I would like to thank everyone that helped with Investiture, we had 223 people go through the gate.

Their Excellencies would like to continue as Baron and Baroness and next Tavern, Apr 2 from 7-9pm we will have our polling. Baron Craig and Baroness Una from Montengard will be overseeing this. This will be posted on facebook and Yahoo group, if you have any questions come see me. Their Majesties will read every ballot.

Next Tavern will be held on April 2, there will be no business meeting but rather the polling for Baron and Baroness and gathering after.



Master of Arrows
Ro-Bear



Chatetelaine
Rafaello



Chronicler
Adelaide de
Honfleur



Gold Key
Cynewulf



Scribe
Vacant



Chirurgion
Vacant



**Family Activity
Coordinator**



Web Minister
Reginald Urrie

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We still need deputies for all offices!! If you are interested in helping come see me.

Divera – Winter War is coming up there will be Heavy and Rapier scenarios, A & S will have their War point. We are still looking for a pavilion to use as a Royal Room. If you have one that we can borrow please come see me. We need someone to help out with the young ones. Remember this is not a babysitting service, the parents will be there. This is just to ensure that the young ones have different things to do throughout the day. **Alena** – If there is anyone that has time to give, 1 or 2 hours at Winter War to gate; come see me and sign up with your name and cell number. **Reme** – suggested that we contact Montengard to see if there is anyone there to help volunteer as well. **Divera** – Just as a reminder there is a War point for volunteers as well.

Chatelaine – Sabd – Tanwen is unable to continue in her role as Chatelaine and is stepping down. Thank you for all that you have done. **Rafaello** will be taking over with **Kadie** as his deputy.

Exchequer – Janet – We are doing well . **Alena** has volunteered for Deputy.

Minister of Stables – Edward Vikingsson - Attendance has been picking up

Minister of Fence – Dante – Things are going well, we are training and practicing for Winter War. We have had a number of renewals going through. Rapier continues – No one has died.

Minister of Arrows –Ro-Bear – Absent – Summerled – All is well, practices are light 4-5 people. We have practice on Tuesdays and Fridays from 6:30-8pm. We are also

sharing practice with other archers from Wyld, we are hoping that they will like to join the SCA. Winter War practice is going well, if you have equipment that you would not mind loaning out please let myself or Ro-Bear know.

Minister of Art and Science/Bardic – Coryn – Hoping that many of our people are getting ready for A&S Championship at Silverwolf. If you are interested come see me. I was at Estrella War and took a lot of classes and brought home some handouts. If you want to learn what I have learned come see me and I will try to set up some classes. A&S is the 3rd Monday of each month at her Excellency Divera's home.

Herald –Daniel the Broc – We will be having another Herald day on Apr 12 at Sabd's house. We are looking for ideas on what books to purchase. If you want help with any of your devices see any of the heralds.

Chronicler – Adelaide – Absent – Daniel – The newsletter is on the tables. We are always looking for submissions and stories, poetry, drawings, etc. The SCA 50th year celebration is being hosted by the Middle Kingdom and taking place June 17-27 2016. This will be held at the Hendricks County Fairgrounds in Danville Indiana.

Youth Combat – Peregrine – We have been having 3 newcomers coming out and we are looking forward to Winter War and hope that anyone who is thinking of coming out to Winter War do so, we will have loaner gear for the young ones to use.

Gold Key – Cynewulf – Not in attendance

Chirurgion –none

Scribe – none

Family Activities – none

Web Minister – Reginald Urrie – Our site is up-to-date, Silverwolf info has been updated and also facebook. Right now we have over 200 followers. Winter War is up as well as the registration page. We hope to add a calendar app soon.

Calendar of events - March 21-23 - Winter War, March 28-30 in Wetaskiwin – Administrative Retreat in Bitter End, April 18-20 – Silver Arrow in Bitter End, April 25-27 – Spring Champions in Barony of Myrgan Wood

Next Tavern will be held on April 2

Old Business –

New Business – Her Highness Evja – We will be having the Dirty Dozen at Silverwolf. This consists of any 12 items of one thing for largesse. Make as many as you like and bring to Silverwolf.

Sabd – we would like to send the deputy Seneschal (Adelheid) and deputy Exchequer (Alena) to the Admin Retreat. Is there any discussion? Reme – What are the costs? Site is \$15 +travel and hotel for one night, approx. \$200 for each.

Kesenia – Would like to make the motion for the Barony to

Mika seconds – Motion carried.

Sabd – I think that the Barony will benefit from sending both of them.

Kesenia – Event Stewart for Silverwolf – This is being held in Warburg. This year’s theme “Traveling the Silk Road”. The menu is posted on An Tir Calendar, facebook group and the Borealis web site. There is only one way that we will be accepting registration and that is on the Google Form. The link is on all the sites. Volunteers are always welcome for gate, set up and tear down, etc.

Reme – Dante there are swords and candles out, does this mean anything? Dante – Yes, we have 3 candles set up for anyone who wants to try to snuff out the candles with a sword. Right now the record is 8.8 seconds. Come and try to beat this record and have some fun.

Galeana – I have some largess for our lovely Baroness from our Thursday A&S nights.

Time of Adjournment – 8:03

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