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photo: Jean de Chauliac

Cup of Borealis

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BOREALIS

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From The Chronicler

Happy New Year Borealis.

If you have ever wanted to contribute to the Aurora, well now is a great time and I would love to see what the people of Borealis can create. I am looking for art work, stories, event recaps, cartoons, news, photos or anything else that you think would be interesting.

Please send your content to:
adelaide@huscarles.ca

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

Adelaide de Honfleur
Borealis Chronicler



From The Avacal Champion of Arts & Science

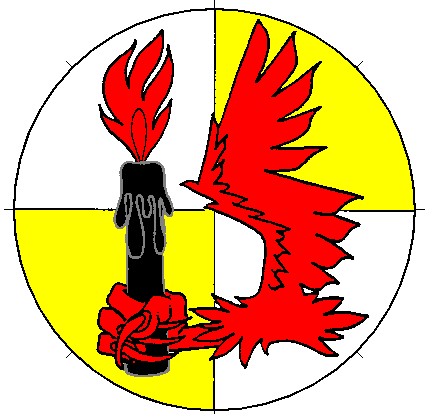
Declarations of intent to enter Avacal A&S (as either a champion or a single entry) must be sent to the following by January 15, 2013

Their Highness - prince@avacal-sca.org & princess@avacal-sca.org
Their Excellencies - heirs@avacal-sca.org
Dyrfinna - artsci@avacal-sca.org
and myself - champion_of_artsci@avacal-sca.org

All that is required for your letter is your
Name, your entries and your
desire to enter the tournament

I look forward to seeing all the wonderful
artisans of Avacal on display in
Valley Wold at Investiture in February

Sie im Dienst
Adelheid Holtzfallerin
Avacal Champion of Arts & Sciences





Other Groups In The Principality 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/

Harrows Cross

(Strathmore, AB) (Shire)
www.harrowscross.ca/



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:



January 12, 2013
AnTir 12th Night
Barony of Three Moutains



January 19, 2013
Montengarde's 12th night
Barony of Montengard



January 25, 2013
Ursulmas
Barony of Aquaterra



February 6, 2013
Borelais Raipier's Tavern
Barony of Borealis



February 23, 2013
February Investiture
Shire of Valley Wold



March 1, 2013
Kingdom A&S /
Bardic Championships
Barony of Blatha An Oir



Yule Feast Christmas in Jerusalem

December 8, 2012

The hall for Yule was filled with decorations and was a buzz of activity from morning until night. With dancing, crafts, dress a bear, classes and marshmallow catapults there was lots of things to keep people busy. This year was also special as the first bardic championship was held. All the competitors kept the audience captivated and entertained and were truly amazing. The fun continued through the evening with the feast and performances of dance, bardic and music.



Congratulations to our newest Bardic Champion
Cassa Machiavelli

Court of HE Reme the Burgundian and Divera Della Cava held at Borealis Yule:

Hugo - Award of Arms

Galena Machiavelli- Decorated Letter

Somerled of Ballindore- Decorated Letter

Jean de Chauliac - Cup of Borealis



The Cup of Borealis as shown on the cover is given for excellence in persona development. Only 1 member of the populace may hold the cup at any given time for one year and then advises on the the next recipient to receive the cup. Jean de Chauliac was awarded the cup this year at Yule

FRIED BANANAS

This recipe is from A Baghdad Cookery Book (Kitab al-tabākh) translated by A.J. Arberry as published in Medieval Arab Cookery Essays and Translations by Maxime Rodinson, A.J. Arberry & Charles Perry with a Foreword by Claudia Roden.

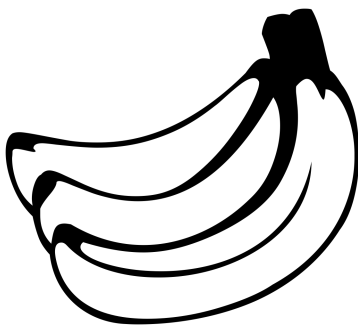
Original English Translation of the Recipe

The bananas are fried and immersed in a thick syrup in which there are pistachios.

Ingredients: 1/2 cup honey, 1/2 cup water, 8-10 bananas, Sesame oil, 1/2 to 1 cup pistachios

Chop the pistachios so that each pistachio makes 2 to 4 pieces.
Mix honey and water together and simmer until it thickens into a syrup, then add about half of the pistachios to the syrup and bring to a boil.

Cut 8-10 bananas in half then slice lengthwise. Fry the bananas in a little sesame oil until lightly browned. Heat the other half of the pistachios in the oil with the bananas. Place bananas in a bowl or on a plate. Pour syrup over them and serve.



Sekanjabin

Mix together in saucepan and bring to a boil:

2 cups sugar

2 cups honey (could use more sugar instead but honey gives a more distinctive flavor)

2 cups water

Add:

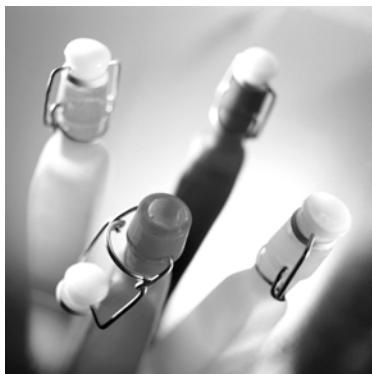
1 cup wine vinegar. Simmer (uncovered) for 30-40 minutes

Remove from heat and stir in:
a handful of fresh mint leaves

When cooled, strain and put into bottle(s).
Will keep indefinitely without refrigeration.

Dilute 1 part sekanjabin with 5-10 parts of
water. Garnish with grated cucumber if
desired.

- Coryn



**Looking for artists to create
artwork for the Aurora.
If interested please contact:
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Borealis Officers



Seneschal
Mika



Herald
Owen de Caldekote



Exchequer
Jenette Wen
Moryen



Master of Stables
Eric Shavarrson



**Warden of Youth
Combat**
Peregrine



Master of Fence
Titus



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

Deputy- Catherine
of the Rowan tree

Bardic Deputy-
Mercilla of
Woodleigh

Tavern Report

BARONY OF BOREALIS
MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 5 2012
START: 8:50PM

New Comers: No new comers this month

Baron/Baroness: Hi it was an exciting month with the snow storm hitting us on the November and December taverns. Inar and Sadb are the new Tanis and Tanista. The Festival of Trees was fun decorating, the tree looked great (see Remy for pictures) and we found out the Tree sold. This Saturday is Yule Feast come have fun, if you have not signed up for the feast put your name on the list and hopefully there will be a spot available. There is 6 Bards trying for the Bardic Champion, coming out and supporting or even trying your luck. We are still looking for Judges to judge these up and coming Bard Champions (there will be a judge meeting before the competition). Winter War is fast approaching we are in need of volunteers in all areas, if you are interested see Roderick. Silver Wolf is 6 months away and we are still in need for an Event Steward, if you are interested put in your proposal to either me or Remy.

Seneschal: Welcome everyone, Congratulations to our new Heirs Inar and Sadb. All Officers, with this being the last Tavern before the New Year it is time to put together your Dooms Day reports and have them into me ASAP. Tonight's tavern is sponsored by the Heralds, Thanks for all your hard work. Tavern sponsors are reserved up to April tavern.

Chatelaine: Come to Yule Feast this Saturday and have some fun, either take a class, decorate a bear, challenge yourself by entering in the Baric Championship competition, with many more things to-do throughout the day. My term is up in 6 months, if anyone is interested come see me and we will make up a deputy to hand over the reins. Also congratulations go to Baron Remy as he was elevated to Don at the Coronet in November.

Exchequer: As this is the last tavern before the end of the year could you please cash any outstanding cheques ASAP, and if there is any receipts requiring reimbursement see me ASAP so we can close the year. The account is sitting at \$10,740.00.



Master of Arrows
Somerled of
Ballindore



Chatetelaine
Kseniia



Chronicler
Adelaide de
Honfleur



Gold Key
Ethnia



Scribe
Vacant



Chirurgion
Vacant



**Family Activity
Coordinator**
Aldreda



Web Minister
Reginald Urrie

For contact emails see
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Minister of Stables: Fighting is good, practices are smaller right now so come on out and have fun. No issues, as the Hall is out there is a Fight practice on New Year's Day. (Come out if you dare!).

Youth Combat: Everything is progressing well with 2 new Lions (6 years old). We are still seeking Senior Marshalls. Yeah to the new Lions.

Minister of Fence: All is steady with No drop offs. Some Montegard Fencers came out to practice and having fun. All is good. Regional Practice is coming up in Bitterend (all fighters in all disciplines welcome).

Minister of Arrows: Everything is well with the attendance going up and down. Two weeks ago we had 16 people. Our practice facility may not be available soon as they will not be allowing wood arrows. The rate will also go up to \$10.00. Sherwood Park has an outdoor range so come on out.

Minister of Arts and Science: There will be classes at Yule with Galeana having some fun activities (bear dressing). In January we are looking for experienced brewers as well as new brewers (bring your experiences good or bad). The A/S Champion competition is being held at the February Investiture, so come and try your luck. Also don't forget our own championship being held at Silver Wolf so you have 6 months to get ready for that. There will still be an A/S night at the Baroness' place on December 17 2012; this will be mainly a social. If you need information about entering an A/S competition see me.

Herald: This is the Heraldic Tavern so ask your question to be served. Have fun see you

in the New Year.

Chronicler: November newsletter is here but December is not ready yet. I don't have a picture for the front page so if you don't want to see a for rent sign then hand in your pictures.

Gold Key: All is well, I will be at Yule.

Family Activities Coordinator: All is good; there will be a play at Yule.

Calendar: Yule Feast this Saturday December 8 2012, all is good Feast and schedule is posted. Come decorate at 8:00pm Friday night. There will be 6 classes (still room in all of them), bring your banners, if you have a Drum bring that as well. This will be a full service feast so we need servers, as well as Trolls. Try your luck at the build a Bear table and dress a bear (if you want to bring some of your own stuff, bring it).

12th Night January 11-13 2013 Kingdom, Montengard's 12th Night January 20 2013, Ursulmas on January 25-27 2013, Avacal Investiture February 22-24 2013, and Winter War March 9 2013.

Old Business: None

New Business: On the first Monday of the month there is a Bardic night on the South side of Edmonton Phelons place. Wednesday's Lounge space for Bardic there will be new and old songs to practice etc.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:15 pm

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