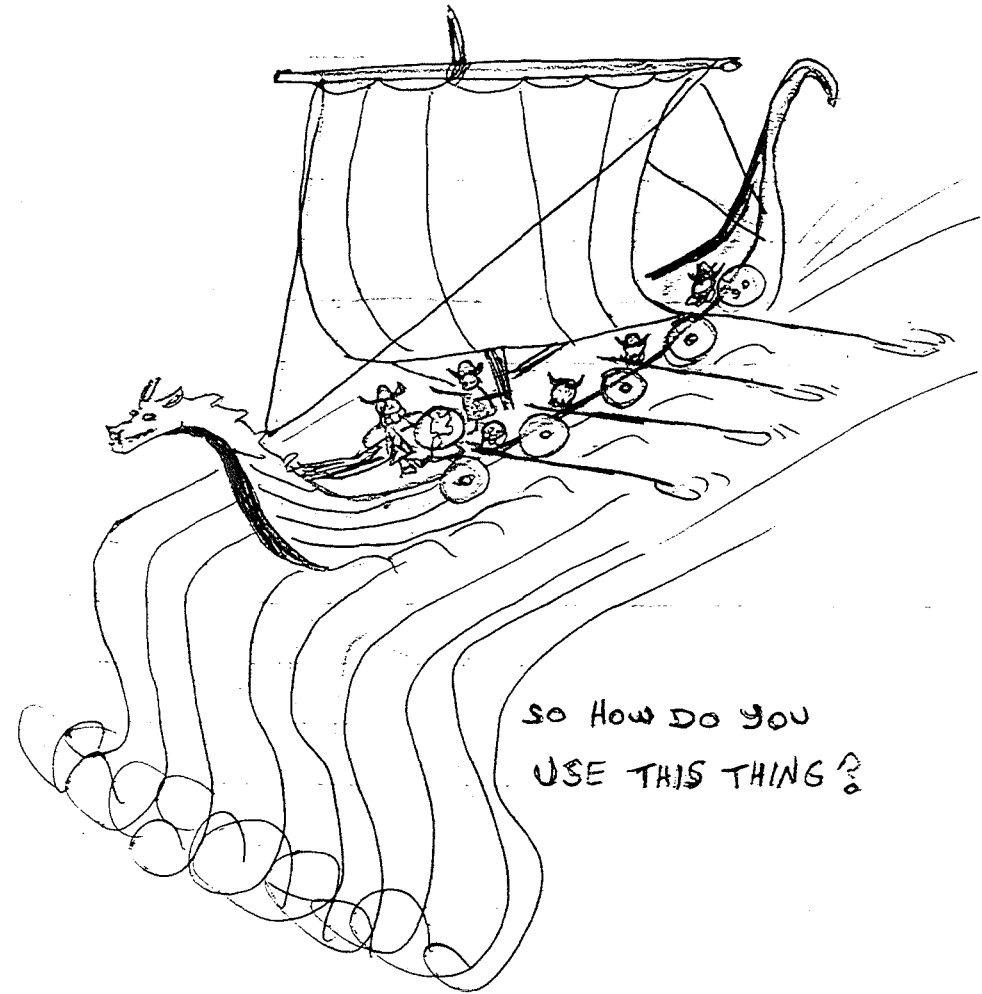


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**January**

- 4 Capilano Dance Hall Veraquilon  
6-8 Kingdom 12th Night  
(Deadline to commit to Kingdom Arts  
& Science Championship)  
11 Business Meeting Veraquilon  
21 Montengarde 12th Night Montengarde

**February**

- 1 Capilano Dance Hall Veraquilon  
4 Feast of the Evergreens Lakeland  
8 Business Meeting Veraquilon  
11 Groaning Board Feast Veraquilon

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## Announcements:

### \*\*\*\*\* NOTE \*\*\*\*\*

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### House of Erna : Custom Design and Fashion

Erna would like to announce her costuming service. For an appropriate fee, she will construct garb to your specifications. Alterations also a speciality. For discreet inquiries, contact HL Erna at 449-1593

- **Archery Practice** at the residence of Joan the Just has been discontinued for the winter.

- **Vacant** Baronial positions must be filled. List Mistress, Water Bearer. Those interested please send resumes to the Seneschal.

- **Baronial Meeting** will be held 12:30 pm, Saturday, February 4th at the Feast of the Evergreens, in Lakeland.

### - NOTICE TO THE POPULACE OF THE BARONY!

Yes, things are starting to simmer at the Alberta Provincial Museum, in anticipation of Spring-in-the-Middle. Last year, 14,700 people went through the exhibit. This year, the exhibit will run from March 25 to April 17, 1995. The Fair will be held on March 26. There are two sleepovers planned; March 31 and April 7. The special theme will be a Landsknecht encampment - complete with campfollowers!

If you would like to volunteer, or have questions, ideas, or items to donate for the

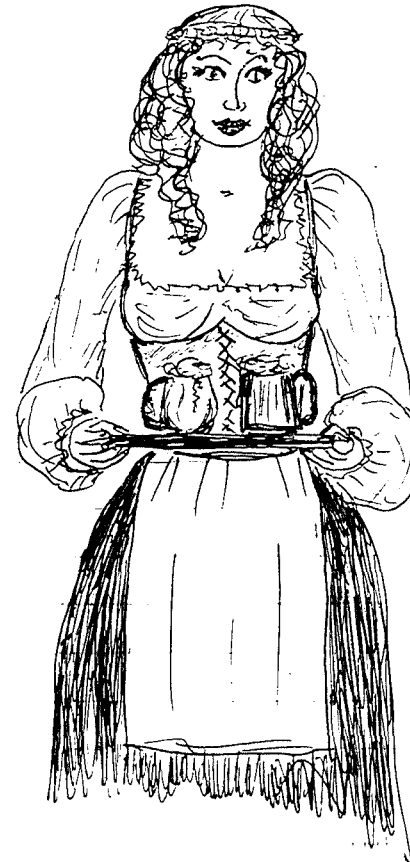
all did the Barony get out of it. Have not heard whether we are involved or not.

### Old Business

1. At Crown Principality Champions meeting - Baronial Pavilion was discussed. Request that it be priced out. Valgard checked and it was approx \$250 for a 10' \* 16' size - canvas roof and cloth walls. Everyone agreed that we should do this. Edwina and Valgard will make the pavilion. There will be a discussion at Canton Business meetings as to possibly splitting the cost (maximum cost of \$300 total).
2. Sgt. Edward Bolden had asked whether Out of Town Sergeants could win the Silverwolf Championship. As it stands now only past Champions and residents could win. Discussed and agreed Out of Town Sergeants can become Silverwolf Champion.

\* **NEXT BUSINESS MEETING** at Feast of the Evergreens, February 4th/95 12:30pm. Assumption School, Grand Centre

Meeting adjourned dec 4th 2:05pm



COME ON OUT  
TO THE CANTON  
TAVERN NIGHT.  
HELD EVERY FIRST  
WEDNESDAY OF THE  
MONTH AT THE  
CAPILANO HALL.  
8:00 PM  
5400 108A Ave.



MOS: Not Present

Exchequer: Not Present. Possible rumours of his wishes to step down. Seneschal will contact him as to his wishes

Baron & Baroness:

- Went to Myrganwood and presented gifts on behalf of the Barony
- enjoyed their stepping up. Thanks for support.

Seneschal:

- new address & phone number. please see Aurora
- will contact Malcolm (Kingdom Exchequer) to ensure Raven Fund donation was received
- will look after advertising open positions in the Aurora
- read in results of confidence support vote for new Baron & Baroness

New Business:

1. The Baron and Baroness were contacted by interested parties in Hinton re: running a Renaissance Faire. Last year saw 1/4 million people through their gate. Has grants and support for the Government. Willing to provide a park, etc. Willing to let us chose which weekend in July or August. (Would probably look for assistance Kingdom Wide) People present at the meeting showed interest - His Excellency will contact them again.
2. Her Excellency Adelaine indicated that Sir Brandt and his lady HL Cymbric are interested in coming up and teaching classes, etc.
3. Discussed finances re: Guilds. What they do and don't have to have. Her Excellency Adelaine will make a list of what's required. Will be printed in the Aurora for info
4. Discussion re: Tier I and Tier II events. Canton of Veraquilon has St. Nick's as Tier I and Canton of Lakeland has Feast of the Evergreens. Discussion of whether of not the Barony needs a Tier I event. Discussion ensued - general agreement that the Barony does not need a Tier I. Mordecai motioned to leave SilverWolf as Tier II - Edwina seconded. Motion carried.
5. Discussion re: Spring Faire and Baronial Arts & Sciences Championship. Should they remain together as one event and float between the two Cantons or would Spring Faire remain as a Canton event (possibly also an Ithra) and the Baronial A & S Competition float between the two Cantons. Discussion ensued. Agreement made - Spring Faire would host the Baronial A & S Championship this year - hoping to hold it before the Avacal Arts & Sciences Championship. Feast of the Evergreens event 1995 would host the Baronial Champion of Fence Tournament.
6. Discussion re: War June 3rd/95 weekend. War possibly between Montengarde, Borealis, Myrganwood and whoever else. Going ahead for sure - main participants to be confirmed.
7. His Excellency Alfeim brought up the Museum Demo and asked what

exhibit, please contact HL Erna Kajadotter. I will be attending the Canton of Veraquilon Business meetings for the months of January, February and March. Naturally, I can also be reached at home:

HL Erna Kajadotter  
mka Karin Thirlwell  
244 Regency Drive  
Sherwood Park, AB  
T8A 5P6

Phone: (403) 449-1593 (no calls after 9pm, please)

Yes, I have an answering machine.

- **The Groaning Board** has decided to release a list of their upcoming events, in order that participants may better prepare themselves (ie: making a special costume) if they so desire. These events will be held over the next couple of years. We encourage and appreciate any extra effort that quests make, and to that end, we will occasionally hold advance workshops if they are deemed helpful. Each event will include a free lecture (pertaining to the event theme), a period menu, special entertainment, and dancing. All reservations must be paid two weeks in advance of the event.

- I. German Hunting Lodge (c. 1400)
- II. Chaucer: an English tavern (c. 1350)
- III. Richard III: a Trial by his Peers (England, 1485)
- IV. Eleanor of Aquitaine and the Courts of Love (France, 1175)
- V. Midsummer's Eve: A Celebration (England, 1600)
- VI. Renaissance Masked Ball: All is Not What it Seems (Italy, 1460)
- VII. Don Quixote: Shades of Spain (1605)
- VIII. Hamlet: Something's Rotten in the State of Denmark! (Daneland, 1050)

- **Lost and Found** or rather, Found: At the St. Crispin's Feast, a pair of black pants.  
Contact Jane Woods for information. 465-6811

- **The Shire of Aquaterra** invites all to come and join them in celebration of their patron Saint, Sir Ursul, at the 13th annual Ursulmas Tourney and Faire, being held the weekend of January 27-29, 1995 at the Evergreen State Fairgrounds in Monroe, WA. Autocrat: The Right Honourable Fiacha MacNeil of Glencar  
(206) 568-6253

### Aurora Cover and Art Contest

The populace is asked to design, draw and submit artwork for a permanent cover for the *Aurora*. The winning entry will be picked by popular vote at Spring Faire in Veraquilon. Prizes will be awarded for the top entries. (Prizes have not be<sup>e</sup>determined at this time, but will include a bottle of mead, and may include a bottle of Valgard's Brandy Plums). Non-winning entries will go into the pending art file and may be used as filler art in future issues, at the discretion of the Editors.

For further information contact the Chroniclers, Valgard and Edwina, at (403) 923-2864 (no calls after 10pm, please)

## Minutes of the Baronial Meeting

December 4th, 1994 Yule Feast 11:50am  
(Unofficial until read and accepted at the next Baronial Meeting.)

### Present:

Mordecai Salzer - Herald, Edwina of Loxley - Co-Chronicler,  
Jarla Helena - Seneschal, Alfheim & Adelaine - Baron & Baroness,  
Dagmar af Hjorring - Chatelaine, Valgard af Hus Vendrer - Chronicler,  
Alys Sylfrloc, Joan the Just, Hamish Douglas, Petra, Cennet

Baronial Meeting Minutes from Silverwolf read and accepted.

### Officer Reports:

Herald: - No submissions since last meeting  
- problem with submission of name "Veraquilon" - will go to check with Middle Kingdom to see if they will release the name Aquilon, as that group is no longer in existence.  
- Richard Sparhawk is the Canton Herald in Lakeland  
-Mordecai is currently covering the Canton of Veraquilon Herald

### Chronicler:

- 37 paid memberships - 2 in limbo (reminder notice usually sent out to renew)  
- currently trade with: Avantgarde, Montengarde Mouthpiece, Portcullis and Keyhole.  
- Complimentary copies to: King & Queen, TRHs, Kingdom Chronicler, The Grete Boke, Kingdom Seneschal, Society Librarian, Conal Fitzallen  
- requesting artwork, copy of events, reports summary.  
- would like to have a permanent cover for the *Aurora* (accepting permanent cover submissions starting at the beginning of January - and will select the winner at Spring Faire through choice of populace).

### Chatelaine

- better luck with getting Gold Key out to events  
- suggest that Gold Key possibly get a deputy to assist in getting costumes to events  
- been contacted about possibly doing another Demo-Dance  
- tentative contact from a group that holds their own "Medieval Theme" dinners requesting possible loan/rental of items for decorating  
\*  
- discussion ensued of possibly making Baronial walls  
- mentioned about Baronial regalia Officer to look after keeping track of regalia. (offered her services of taking photos of regalia). Position would be a deputy to the Chatelaine.

Gold Key: Not present

Constable: Not Present

Arts & Science: Not Present

## An Tir Arts & Science Championship

March 4 & 5

Shire of Dragon's Laire welcomes An Tir to the 2nd Annual Kingdom Arts & Science Championship to be held in Belfair WA at the Sand Hill Elementary School.

The Site will open at 6 PM Friday evening and will close Sunday afternoon. There will be a special breakfast for judges and contestants at 8 am Saturday and judging will start at 9 am. The schedule of events is still being worked on but a pot luck feast is planned for Saturday night. Peerage meetings, a Crown Council, an informal fencers workshop, and a heavy fighter practice (weather permitting) are being planned. There will be space for display of items made by non-contestants. Please inform Orfhlaith Broinnfind IngenBhrian (Peggy Sue O'Brian) (206) 367-3120 before the event if you would like to display items in this area so adequate space can be set aside and help enlisted to watch over them.

If you would like a copy of the Championship rules, please contact the Kingdom Minister of Art & Science Ellen Fraser (Ellen Winnie), PO Box 39, Keyport WA 98345-0039 (206) 779-5979 until 9 PM only. Please send a SASE. Entrants need to be committed at 12th Night.

The site is a school and there are some restrictions that we will be expected to observe. There will be no smoking or alcohol allowed on site. If your entry includes alcohol, please contact Charles of Tanglewood and he will provide directions to his home (very near the school) where your entries will be stored and judged. We are not allowed to sell merchandise on site. The shire culinary guild has been given special permission to sell simple breakfasts and lunches for a modest fee on both days of the event.

There will be crash space in the gym Friday and Saturday nights (no tents please) and there is plenty of parking for RVs but no hookups. There is a motel and shopping one mile from the site. You will be given a special rate at the motel if you mention the SCA. Belfair State Park is just a few miles from the site.

Site fee is \$8 US if you pre-register and \$10 US at the event. Make all checks payable to the Shire of Dragon's Laire, SCA Inc. The pot luck is \$2 as we have to rent tables. The meat and bread will be provided so please bring enough of your favorite dish to feed 8 to 10 people.

**Directions:** Get out your map of Washington state and find your best route to Belfair on the shore of Hood Canal in North Mason county. From HWY 3 turn onto Hwy West 300, go through the four way intersection and turn right on Sand Hill Road. The school is on the top of the hill on your left.

The Co-Autocrats are Inga Calle (Deanna Devitt) 11 NE Kinman Road, Poulsbo WA 98370 (206) 779-3541 and Charles of Tanglewood (Charles Patterson) NE 280 Schooner Loop Belfair WA 98528 (206) 275-4417 (e-mail is deanna\_devitt@tscnet.eskimo.com)

"...The best of all boars broke from his cover,  
That had ranged long unrivalled, a renegade old,  
For of tough-brawned boars he was biggest far,  
Most grim when he grunted - then were grieved many,  
For three at the first thrust he threw to the earth,  
And dashed away at once without more damage.  
With "Hi!" "Hi!" and "Hey!" the others followed,  
Had horns at their lips, blew high and clear.  
Merry was the music of men and of hounds  
That were bound after this boar, his bloodthirsty  
heart to quell..."

- Sir Gawain and the Green Knight,  
ca. 1375 - 1400 (author unknown)

Yes! The Groaning Board is back - this time we are in a German Hunting Lodge. The date is February 11, 1400; the snow is crisp, the lodge is cosy - is the hunt successful? We will have to see...

Meanwhile, back at the lodge, HL Eleanora fitz John will provide a free lecture (on site) from 4:30 to 5:30. The topic: The Hunt in the Middle Ages: ways, reasons, laws governing, social significance of, quarry.

Join us at the lodge at 6:00 pm if you prefer, for Feasting, Tall Tales, and Lusty Ballads. At 9:00 pm, we will break for dancing, courtesy of the Veraquilon dance troupe.

**Reservation Deadline is:** January 28, 1995

<b><u>Tickets:</u></b>	Adult	\$16.00
	Child	\$10.00
	Dessert & Dance (join us at 9 pm)	\$ 8.00

We will need four servers / clean-up crew, who will eat for free. Please call Erna if you would like to volunteer.



1995 TIER ONE EVENTS FOR  
AVACAL

NOTICE : In order that we do not financially burden the Canton with our frequent events, we have decided that in future ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE PAID IN FULL BY THE RESERVATION DEADLINE TO BE GOOD RESERVATIONS.

After the deadline, we will revert to our waiting list. There will be a maximum of 40 tickets sold.

Please make cheques payable to:  
ASCA The Groaning Board

To make a reservation: HL Erna Kajadotter - 449-1593 (mka Karin Thirlwell), 244 Regency Drive, Sherwood Park, AB T8A 5P6)

Site: February 11, 1995 : The Parkallen Community League Hall (11104 - 65 Ave, Edmonton, AB)

NO OTHER EVENTS MAY BE SCHEDULED ON THE FOLLOWING DATES

Date	Hosting Group	Event
January 6-8	Kingdom	12th Night
February 4	Lakeland	Feast of the Evergreens
March 18/19	Sigelehundas	Pillage Practice and Spring Tea
March 4/5	Kingdom	Arts and Sciences Championship
April 1	Avacal	Arts and Sciences Championship
<del>April 29-30</del>	Loch D'orr	
May 20-22	Kingdom	Crown Tourney
May 27	Windwyrn	May Day
June 3/4	Bordergate	Border War
June 24/25	Avacal	Champion's Tourney
July 1-3	Kingdom	An Tir/West War
July 15	Kingdom	Coronation
July 22/23	Cold Keep	
August 5-7	Lions Gate	Clinton War
September 2-4	Kingdom	Crown Tournament
September 23	Bitter End	Harvest Feast
October 7	Mryganwood	Anniversary Event
November 11	Valley Wold	Ferret's Feast
December 2	Vere Aquilon	St. Nicks

MISSING:

Tier one for Ithra... T.B.A.  
Avacal Winter Event - date T.B.A. (depends on bid).

FOR BID:

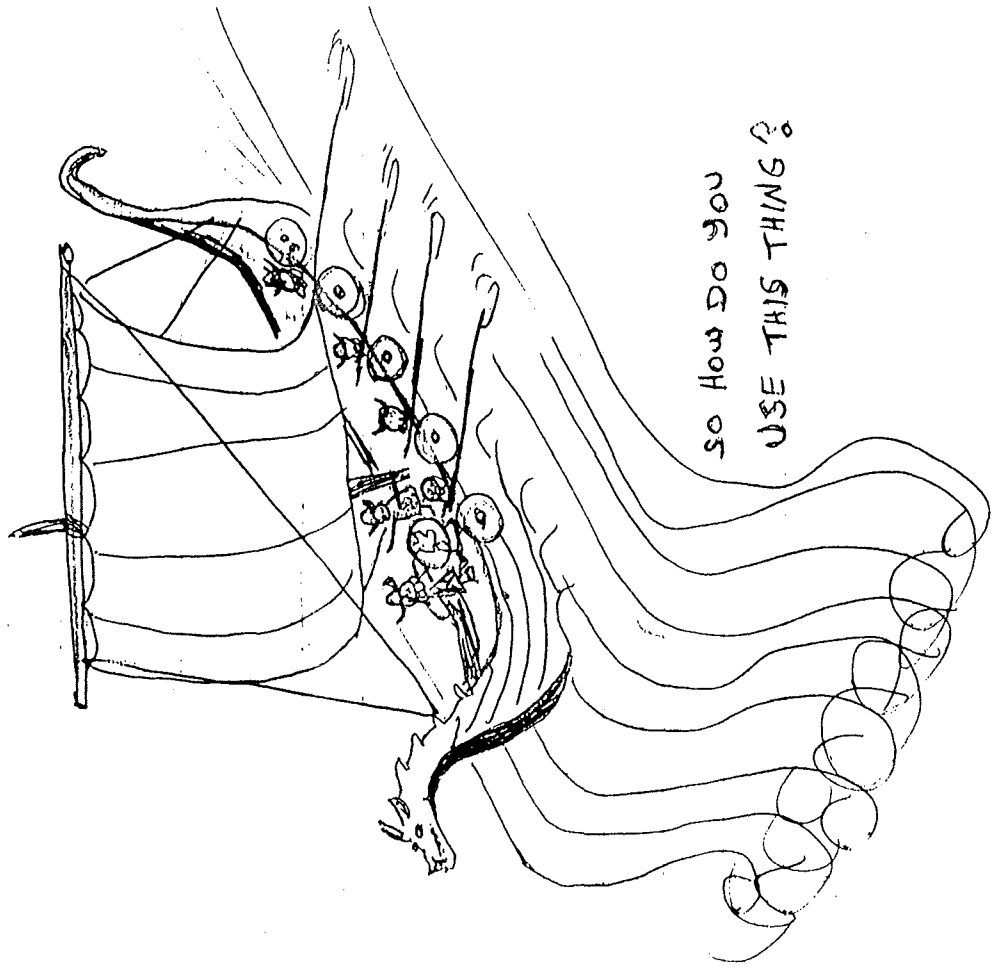
Avacal Winter Event:  
Bids due now...  
Arts and Sciences Championship  
bids due by November 1, 1994 (2 recieved thus far...)  
Champions' Tourney  
bids due December 1, 1994

*Please send Tier II Listings (not necessarily copy... YET) to Avantgarde ASAP so we can avoid duplicating events wherever possible. We'll publish the year's list of Tier II's as soon as we have one, for greater planning ease, and will continue to publish Tier II information, if not whole-page event copy.*

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