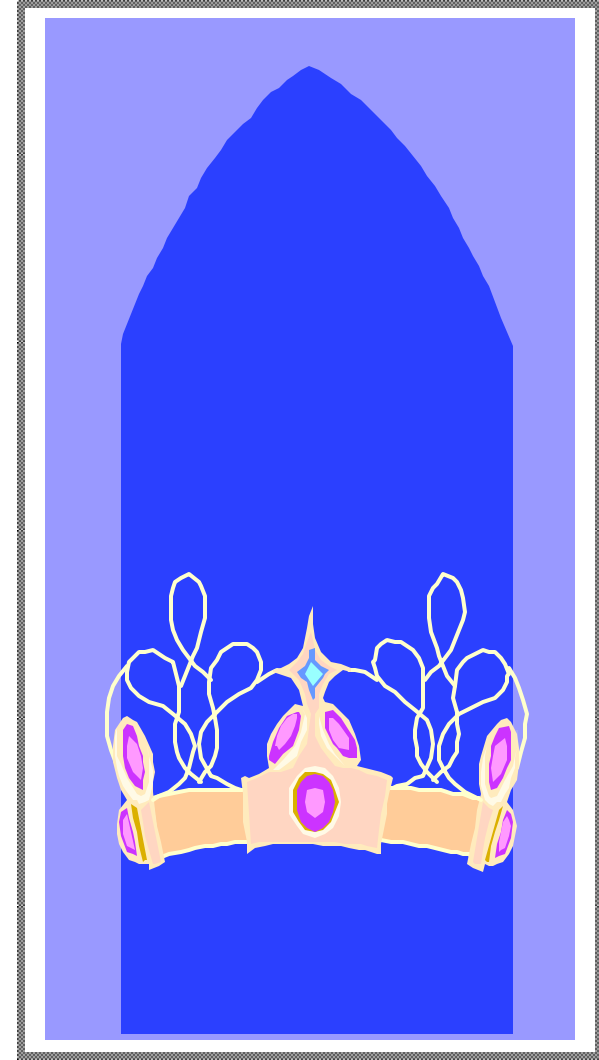


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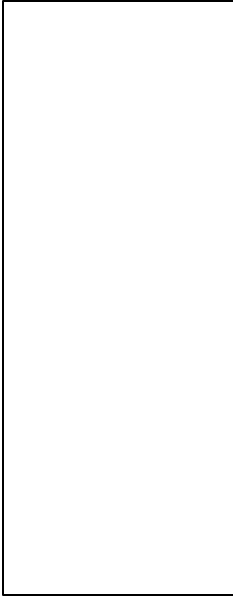
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Kingdom Calendar

June 2002

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| 1 | University of Atlantia | Florence, SC |
| 14-16 | Highland River Melees | Hagerstown, MD |
| 21-23 | Warrior Games | Harleyville, SC |
| 21-23 | Return to Troy | Elkin, NC |
| 21-23 | Stierbach Baronial Birthday | Triangle, VA |
| 22 | Marinus Baronial Birthday | Virginia Beach, VA |
| 28-30 | Storvik Novice Tourney | Glenn Dale, MD |
| 29 | Runestone Collegium / Phoenix Eye | Winston-Salem, NC |
| 30 | Northern Region Practice | Glenn Dale, MD |

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

- Bryan June 6
- Maeve June 11
- Mieszko June 11
- Otto June 14
- Demetria June 28
- Roger June 29



MEETING MINUTES

May 8, 2002

New business: There were 24 people present.

Old Business: All of the various pieces of the canton address books are back in Maeve's hands. She will assemble them and deliver them ASAP. Last preparations were finalized for Inn on the Road. Contact sheet with all volunteers and their information was passed out to everyone.

Seneschal: Maeve attended both the Baronial and Kingdom Curias. At Baronial, it was announced that the Baronial Seneschal, Exchequer, Chronicler and Chatelaine are stepping down. Anyone interested in the Seneschale position should send a letter of intent to Her Excellency by May 27th, anyone interested in the other positions should send a letter to both Her Excellency and the current Baronial Seneschale, Baron Peter Hawkyns, by May 27th. The names of the people applying for the positions will be announced and the populace opinions' will be taken for thirty days after which a decision will be made and announced at Baronial Birthday. The Baronial Seneschale position will be chosen by the Crown's with the Coronet's recommendation. Charlesbury Crossing has an upcoming Demo for three consecutive weekends in July at a Boy Scout camp; they will post to the baronial egroup when they have more details. Crois Brigitte challenged all the cantons in the barony to create a banner displaying their individual heraldry for baronial events. The seneschal of Crois Brigitte will post to the egroup with the dimensions of the banners. At Kingdom Curia, it was announced that at future Baronial pollings, the decision would be made by the crowns sitting the thrones at the time of the Baronial Investiture unless the crowns decided to turn the decision over to their heirs. There are now to be two Heraldic Honorariums. One, which is for peerage scrolls. The other, a new honorarium is for the purchase of materials for new scribes. Both can spend a maximum of \$250 a reign. There will be a \$3.00 non-member surcharge added to all events that have not already been budgeted or are not already printed in the Acorn.

Exchequer: Bank balance was announced.

Marshal: The June fighter practices will be on June 9th, for which we were unable to reserve the larger Dallas park shelter and on June 23rd, for which we do have the larger shelter.

Deputy Web Minister: Previous month's newsletters are coming out on the canton's website.

MoAS: We have finished the six-month cycle of workshops and will be taking a break until fall.

Herald: Absent.

Chronicler: Newsletter is out. Everyone is encouraged to subscribe: \$3.50 for the remainder of the year.

Chatelaine: Working on new brochures, bookmarks, and business cards for the canton.

THE SENESCHALE'S SENDING

This month I am writing immediately after our Inn on the Road. What a GREAT event. Lidia and her staff are to be highly congratulated! Bottom line, the event and the staff ROCK! (That's a little known medieval term, by the way!) I know that Lidia will (or by the time you read this, has) thanked everyone, but I wanted to make a special note of the kindness shown us by Lady Marryyn and Lord Menua. They came to work at our event and support us even while their own canton was holding a major two-day demo. Everyone in Hawkwood was truly supportive of our event and sorry to have to miss it, and we appreciate them all being so kind. I understand several of our folks planned to go up and participate in their demo on Sunday. That is the kind of cooperation that makes this barony the greatest! Thanks to you all, my dream is living a little bigger.

We had a lot of business at our May meeting.



Lady Maeve reported on the actions from the baronial and kingdom curias. The short version:

- 1) Several baronial officers (seneschal, chatelaine, exchequer, and chronicler) announced that they are stepping down and began the process to find their successors. The process is in the baronial charter and consists of the officer and Baroness accepting letters from folks interested in the position for 30 days, the names being published, 30 days for members of the barony to comment on the candidates, a selection being made by the officer in conjunction with the Baroness. Note that in the case of the seneschal, Peter has asked that folks interested contact the Baroness only. And of course, since, Baroness Kisaiya was the Baronial Chatelaine; she is the only one you need to send a letter to for that position as well.
- 2) Kingdom approved a second stipend for scrivener supplies.
- 3) Kingdom approved a law change, which requires all branches to include a \$3 discount on event fees for adult members.

Other business:

Lady Fiona is putting in a "place holder" event registration form for Winter Solstice. There were no bids submitted for this event, but it turns out that Baroness Kisaiya would like to return it to the baronial calendar. The canton populace wholeheartedly agreed to release the event to the barony if the barony chose to accept it at the next curia.

Per Lady Maeve, the directory is in its final stages and the hard copy will be issued shortly.

Lady Seraphina promises faithfully that she will submit materials for newcomers to the canton populace for approval at the June meeting. Also, she has not bought the clothes rack or hangers for garb yet, but will do so as soon as she can.

Finally, we discussed next year's Inn on the Road. At the meeting it was agreed that we would discuss a date at the June meeting. However, while at Camp Loy White for this year's Inn, we found out that they had only one viable March date available. The officers in attendance agreed that waiting till the next meeting was risky, and so the canton placed a deposit for that weekend, which is March 28-29, 2003. I have sent in a place holder reservation form so that we can get the event on the calendar.

I hope everyone has a great month, attending lots of events and doing lots of stuff.

In service,
PICA

THE CHATELAINE'S CALL

While we don't have any 'new' people at this time, we did have one person who travels from Nottingham Coil to play with us now. Welcome to the group, Sean (Kal)

The demos at Beam School and Chapel Grove School were a huge success! Vivant to all those who helped out with that! Pictures of both demos can be found here:

<http://housebarra.com/events/chgrvdemo/>

<http://housebarra.com/events/beamdemo/>

We will be starting to spiff up the loaner garb soon. If you are at Wal-Mart (or any fabric store) and find



some fabric you know will make authentic-looking and well-wearing garb at a really good price, please either let me know, or consider getting it and donating it to the canton. Our future newbies will thank you for it!

The garment rack and coat hangers have not yet been purchased, but that is next on my to-do list.

The brochures, bookmarks, and business cards are being re-done and I should have those to present at the next business meeting.

**There will be newcomers' meeting at my house (708 S. South St., Gastonia) on the 4th Wednesday of each month. This will include people who are not necessarily new to the SCA, but just to this area. It will be a small social, as well, so that new people can get to know the faces and interests of our wonderful canton members. Please think about coming to these! The first part of these meetings will be an overview of the society, for the newcomers, followed by a question and answer period, during which anyone can join in. After that, we will have refreshments and a short social, so that people can talk individually.

Sincerely,
LADY SERAPHINA NETKA

THE CHRONICLER'S MUSINGS

You know that June 16th is Father's Day. But did you know...

Sonora Dodd, of Washington, first had the idea of a "father's day." She thought of the idea for Father's Day while listening to a Mother's Day sermon in 1909.

Sonora wanted a special day to honor her father, William Smart. Smart, who was a Civil War veteran, was widowed when his wife died while giving birth to their sixth child. Mr. Smart was left to raise the newborn, and his other five children by himself on a rural farm in eastern Washington State.

After Sonora became an adult she realized the selflessness her father had shown in raising his children as a single parent. It was her father that made all the parental sacrifices and was, in the eyes of his daughter, a courageous, selfless, and loving man. Sonora's father was born in June, so she chose to hold the first Father's Day celebration in Spokane, Washington on the 19th of June, 1910.

President Calvin Coolidge, in 1924, supported the idea of a national Father's Day. Then in 1966 President Lyndon Johnson signed a presidential proclamation declaring the 3rd Sunday of June as Father's Day.

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Always in Service,
LADY MAEVE



Just a reminder that A&S meeting nights are every Tuesday evening at Lady Susanna von Schweissguth (needleznpinz@charter.net.) On Wednesdays, there are also A&S nights at Lady Brianna O'Duinn's. In addition, there are Sunday afternoon fighter practices at Biggerstaff Park with reminders on the egroup as to which Sunday they will occur. There will be A&S activity at these practices, and help available for projects you may be working on or learning about.

ARTS AND SCIENCES CORNER

Our canton made a great showing at Novice Tourney in April. Winners in the A&S competition included Lady Lidia with hand spun knit stockings, Lady Seraphina with an original song composed in honor of the Knowne Whorl Spinners Guild, and Lady Kathryn with hand dyed, carded and spun wool. Our own Lady Margaret was inducted into the Order of the Phoenix Eye.

Speaking of A&S competitions, at Inn On The Road, Lady Kathryn and Lady Seraphina again won competitions, this time with travel games and sprang bags, respectively. Lady Seraphina and Lady Lydia were both inducted into the Order of the Phoenix Eye. The skills of our canton's artisans are being recognized and rewarded in our barony. Congratulations to all of you!

More opportunities for showing off our artistic skills are offered to us by our Baroness, as she seeks items to be included in Baronial Gift Baskets that she gives to Royalty, visiting Coronets, and other worthy gentles. I've sent some suggestions on to some of our artisans, but please contact me (NeedleznPinz@charter.net) if you would like to participate. We'll be announcing deadlines as they approach. This is an excellent opportunity for the Baroness to see your craftsmanship and to allow the members of Atlantia beyond our baronial borders to see the great skills of Her Excellency's subjects in Sacred Stone.

Her Excellency, Countess Mary Grace is looking for items for Kingdom Gift Baskets to be distributed at the Great Pennsic Wars this summer. In particular, she is seeking Kingdom Stationery and Scroll Borders. Contact me, or post to the Merry Rose e-list if you are able to contribute to this worthy effort.

I hope to get a workshop schedule put together in the next few weeks. Please contact me with offers to host or lead workshops, or requests for topics to be explored.

Don't forget to contact Lady Sine if you are interested in leading a workshop at Runestone Collegium at the end of June. I hope to see you all at University in the Misty Marsh the first weekend in June.

In service,

LADY SUSANNA VON SCHWEISSGUTH



RETURN TO TROY
JUNE 21st-23rd
CANTON OF CHARLESBURY CROSSING

Elkin Municipal Park and Recreation Center, Elkin, NC

Please join Charlesbury Crossing in celebrating a Return to Troy. The event will be held in Elkin, NC's Municipal Park, just a few miles from I-77. There are many hotels in the area, and more room for camping this year. We're still negotiating with local hotels on a block rate.

Return To Troy will feature several elaborate sets, including a motte and bailey, tavern and storehouse to storm. We guarantee your fill of fighting! Both heavy and light will use the sets, with archers participating as permitted. Teams will be comprised of 7 fighters three of who must fight with something other than shields.

The day's activities will start with a team bear pit tourney fought in the streets of downtown Elkin. We'll then progress to a tavern battle, raiding the storehouse, fighting through more redoubts, and ending up at the motte and bailey. More information can be found at the canton's website charlesbury.atlantia.sca.org.

The town pool will be available from 5-9 on Saturday, along with those shower facilities.

Rates: \$5.00 daytrip, \$7.00 camping. Feast will be provided by a local BBQ company, and will cost \$5.00

Autocrat: Lord Phillip Bell (Phillip Jones), 101 East Main Street, Elkin, NC 28621, (336) 835-7774, email: phillip@mindless.com

Site: Elkin Municipal Park and Recreation Center, Elkin, NC 28621. Site opens at 5pm Friday and closes at 2pm on Sunday. No public display of alcohol. No pets and no ground fires.

Vivats

To Lady Seraphina Netka upon being inducted into the Eye of the Phoenix at Inn on the Road.

To Lady Lidia Lijovich of Ragusa upon being inducted into the Eye of the Phoenix at Inn on the Road.

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