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A MISSIVE FROM OUR BARON AND BARONESS

Greeting to the great Snowflake Barony of Northshield!

We look forward to seeing many of you at the Coronation of our new King and Queen. This is a day for pageantry and delight, with dancing, games, combat, and finery. Please consider driving out for the day and joining us in the Baronial Living Room—look for our banners—as a welcome place to connect with fellow flakes and our friends.

On September 16th, We are making a lovely drive to the Duluth area in support of the Shire of Inner Sea. The shire will be offering the event Pirate Day, with many fresh faces and much excitement. Please join us in supporting their efforts and new folks.

Later this month we hope to have our rescheduled Thrown Weapons Moot. Details will arrive in more fluid formats.

Somewhat shy of a pilgrimage for our eastern cousins, we are pleased to say the trek to Crown is only a day's drive for our Barony this October. Living in a geographically large Kingdom gives us the opportunity to be tourists along the way to our Kingdom events. Please consider joining Us in support of our western cousins in Lead, SD. We will have the Baronial Living Room ready for you.

This year we hope to make our Winter Moot into a day-long activity with our Baronial family. Let us know if you're interested in helping out. We expect to bring the Toys for Tots tournaments into this day as well.

What great deeds did you see your fellows perform at Warriors and Warlords, or Pennsic, or a Baronial activity? Please give us recommendations for awards.

Baroness Samia had the pleasure of meeting the Baroness of the Concordia of the Snows recently; this is the other Barony which uses snowflakes. Look for a photo of us being silly elsewhere in this issue.

In service to Barony and Crown,

Geoffrey and Samia



THE BARONESS' NOTES FROM PENNSIC 46

- Master Viði Hovdestad, Lord Helmut Strauss, and Baroness Kolfinna Hrafnkelsdottir represented the Barony with style and panache in the Baronial Champions Tournaments (Kolfinna served in the Rapier role, and C&T is not represented at Pennsic, and Herr Just von Stichem could not be at the war). Baroness Kolfinna in particular was called out by the Gallery of Barons and Baronesses, and other combatants, as a shining example of Baronial Championship.
- Half of the Kingdom Unbelt team, assembled by the King and Queen, were members of the Barony. They were honorable and joyful on the field of battle: THL Skio, Lord Helgi Moosebane, THL Taion Urbanus, THL Refkell Melrakki Einarsson, and Lord Helmut Strauss.
- Baroness Jehanette de Provins represented the Kingdom in the Arts and Sciences Open showcase with her hairnet display. Her hands-on practice tool was well loved by other netting geeks, and hopeful netting geeks.
- Goodman Levi was called out by King Konrad der Lowe von Ulm and Sir Herjolf Eilifsson for his impressive showing in the Rose Tourney, advancing the honor of Duchess Mary of Carrigart.
- Baroness Amalia St. Edmund, Dame Marwen de la Rivere, Lord Madoc ap Jones, Azizah Hatun bint Da'ud, and Master Viði all represented the Kingdom in the War Point Shoot. Azizah shot a 58 in the clout shoot, impressing the rest of the team.
- Master Viði represented the Kingdom as the fifth alternate in the Archery Champion's Shoot, which represented 3 of the 6 Archery War Points. This is a high honor for which several dozen people competed.
- King Konrad was named by the Rapier Champion of Andelcraig as the best memory she will take away from the war with his joyful battle cry during the woods battle.

A PENNSIC 46 ALBUM



The Baroness of Nordskogen and Archers

Sitt al-Thullaja, Lord Rhys ap Ishmael Llygad Odd [Northshield Archery Champion],
Baroness Amalia St. Edmund, Master Viði Hovdestad, Azizah Hatun bint Da'ud, Lord Madoc ap Jones,
and Lord Oswald Frank

A PENNSIC 46 ALBUM (con.)



Nordskogen Champions and Their Baroness
Lord Helmut Strauss, Master Viði Hovdestad, Sitt al-Thullaja,
and Baroness Kolfinna Hrafnkelsdottir



Two Baronesses from Nordskogen
Kolfinna Hrafnkelsdottir and Sitt al-Thullaja



Two Flaky Baronesses
Nordskogen and Concordia of the Snows

Notes from the Nordskogen Business Meeting, August 16, 2017
Baron Thomas Bordeaux (JP Andrews) presiding
Mistress Rosanore of Redthorn (Susan G. Henry) recording
Approx. 25 in attendance

Announcements

Dance tomorrow! Come learn the Coronation dances!

The [Illuminating Women in the Medieval World](#) book is here for you to look at.

SUN is looking for teachers.

There will be a short Financial Committee meeting after the business meeting.

Robyn Beth Priestley (Lady Niamh ingen Dhomnail) will be having an art exhibition titled National Connections, expressing our connections to nature by highlighting natural areas and the plants and animals in our local, state and national parks. The exhibit will be held from Sept. 7-Oct. 1 in the North Gallery of the [Landmark Center](#), Mon.-Wed. & Fri., 8-5, Thurs., 8-8, Sat., 10-5, and Sun., noon-5.

Thurs., Sept. 7, 7 p.m.: [William Pint and Felicia Dale](#) will be doing a house concert of sea music at Duchess Anne's and Baron Geoffrey's house. She is a really good hurdy gurdy player. Donations will be requested.

Call to order

Exchequer and Financial Report

Lord Wolfstanus Lightfote

June ending balance:	\$ 19,213.90
Income:	\$ 79.55
Expenditures:	\$ 1,195.00
July ending balance:	\$ 18,098.45
Balance Change:	(\$ 1,115.45)
Donations to date:	\$1,139.11

Officers' Reports

Seneschal, Baron Thomas Bordeaux: A work party consisting of Baron Thomas, THL Bazyli, Lord Wolfstanus, and Baron Geoffrey went to Master Crispin Fletcher's and Lady Idonea le Lakere's to prepare for the moot. They trimmed several pine trees. Come and have fun at the moot, dressed as you like. Games that will definitely be there include: Hunker Hauser—type of tug of war widely believed to be period, a Jenga set made of 2x4's, and Tong Honk, period Norse tug of war. Dame Siobhan Medhbh O'Roarke is loaning her purple peril so there will be shade. Bring your crafts!

Knight's Marshal, Sir Herjolf Eilifsson: Fighting going very well. There is an average attendance of about 12 per practice. This is due to the large influx of new people that just keep on coming. He has started the search for his successor. Once interest is expressed, a vote will be scheduled.

Boffer Captain, Lord Ulf inn hugprúði: Boffer practice will be starting up again Sept. 19 at 6:30. The ending time will be about 7:30. He will be trying to do more promotion. Practices will go through December, pause, start up again at end of Jan., go through June. Last year, there was an average attendance of 1-3 per practice. Will be trying to do better this year.

Thrown Weapons Captain, Lady Idonea le Lakere: not present

Signet, THL Una Duckfoot: present but no report

Officers' Reports (con.)

MoAS, Lady Helena the Quiet: not present

Chatelaine, THL Bazyli Boleslaw z Krakowa: There are still new folks asking for help. He is still looking for a successor.

Quartermaster, Baroness Kateryn of Roseberry Topping, called Khadijah: We have stuff in the storage shed. Coffee pot not yet bought. There is a list of key holders. There is not a problem with this as long as the Quartermaster is told when the shed is accessed and sheets filled out. The old lock probably needs to be replaced though. A combination lock would eliminate the need for keys. Two keycodes would need to be remembered then (one for site and one for the lock on the storage shed).

Webminister, Lady Cecily of York: not present. Website is continuing just fine with no new projects started yet.

Rapier Captain, Baron Bastian de la Mesa:

Rapier is doing just fine. The average attendance is 12-14 per practice. The Captain's term of office is almost up and he is looking for a successor. Please apply by the next business meeting. A bit late can be okay. The vote at will be held at the business meeting in two months.

Clerk of Precedence, Baroness Coquette du Lyons: present but no report

Herald, Lady Checheyigen Oyugun: not present

Chronicler, Mistress Rosanore of Redthorn:

Everything is fine and on time. My second term of two years is up soon and I'm looking for a deputy to share the fun.

Archery Captain, Lady Cyneburg: not present

Their Excellencies Nordskogen: Baron Geoffrey of Warwick and Sitt al-Thullaja:

Baron Geoffrey is at work. **Pennsic** was fun. See p. 4 above for the Baroness' Pennsic notes. **Please consider donating.** \$10-15,000 spent per year on rent and other support of activities. **Moot:** 9-5. 5 pm is the hard end of the day. Garb is optional but encouraged. Bring chairs. Lady Lewke verch Gwilim, called Lucky is sponsoring a cooking challenge: On A Stick. The food item doesn't have to be on a stick, just needs to be stabby. There are very limited plug-in opportunities for cooking. Please talk to our hosts if you want to bring your own fire. Award recommendations are needed. Parking is available on the street. We can use the bathroom in the house but NOTHING ELSE. Discreet alcohol is okay if you're not throwing weapons.

Bardic Champion, ban Ollamh Orlaith Ballach Inghean Fhlain: There will be monthly bardic get togethers starting in October, probably. Her new home is over by Como Park.

Vote on Term Extension: Lord Wolfstanus Lightfote for Exchequer

Wants a second term. Next month we will have a vote of confidence.

Events Update

WW Update – Baroness Coquette du Lyons

WW reports will be requested from WW dept. heads shortly.

Events Update (con.)

Schutzenfest 2018—Mistress Rosanore of Redthorn

We must rent the whole site at a cost of \$1300 (was \$800 last time). A signed rental agreement plus a 20% deposit of \$260 will be needed to confirm site rental plus a certificate of insurance covering up to \$2 million dollars. (This certificate does not need to be provided immediately.). Also, they'll need to know if the person leading our archery activities holds a safety certification from an organization such as USA Archery. The MIT for the event, Duchess Anne Geoffreys of Warwick, was already planning on getting such a certification this fall. Baron Geoffrey of Warwick will also be getting certified. The date proposed is the first weekend in May 2018. The equestrian community will be invited and told that there no facilities. We will reach out to THL Alissende de Montfaucon about equestrian activities. There will be Bardic activity at the event. We are planning on also having thrown weapons. Baroness Coquette du Lyons moved and Dame Siobhan Medhbh O'Roarke seconded to approve \$260 for deposit. Motion passes.

Additional Items

Upcoming Project Nights—Lady Niamh ingen Dhomnail

At the last two project nights, we made over 30 felted tennis balls and about ten dolls.

August 23: Italian Garb for 12th Night (Baroness Angelina, continuing)

August 30: Open project night

September 6: Mask Making for 12th Night, Part One, Lady Cerys. Bring scissors to make a paper template first. Then leather. Leather shears needed for that and a cutting mat. Will have basic leather supplies. Must bring your own fancy decorations.

September 13: Mask Making for 12th Night, Part Two

September 20: Business meeting

September 27: Italian Garb for 12th Night (Baroness Angelina, continuing)

October and November: more Italian garb making and making banners for 12th Night. Blue fabric for banners is already owned. Watch our Facebook page for more announcements.

Dame Siobhan Medhbh O'Roarke—has finally bought the two approved quart bowls. Will bring in receipt next week.

Meeting adjourned.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHATELAIN IS LOOKING FOR A SUCCESSOR

I am looking to step down as Chatelain. If anyone is interested please contact me, [Lord Bazyli Boleslaw z Krakowa](#) at: 218-370-1678 or our Seneschal, [Lady Niamh ingen Dhonnail](#), at: 651-776-5569. Please include what you consider to be your qualifications (mundane and SCA), and why you would like the job, or what you would hope to accomplish.

KNIGHT'S MARSHAL IS BEGINNING THE SEARCH FOR A SUCCESSOR

If you are interested in applying for this position, please contact [Sir Herjolf Eilifsson](#). Your letter of interest is due to [Herjolf](#), our [Seneschal](#), and our [Baron](#) and [Baroness](#). Please include what you consider to be your qualifications (mundane and SCA), and why you would like the job, or what you would hope to accomplish.

Rapier Captain Is Beginning the Search For A Successor

If you are interested in applying for this position, please contact [Baron Bastien de la Mesa](#). Your letter of interest is due to [Bastien](#), our [Seneschal](#), and our [Baron](#) and [Baroness](#) by the Sept. 20 business meeting. Please include what you consider to be your qualifications (mundane and SCA), and why you would like the job, or what you would hope to accomplish.

Exchequer Seeks A Second Term

Lord Wolfstanus Lightfote is seeking a second term as Exchequer. A vote of confidence will be held at the Sept. 20 business meeting.

DEMO OF THE SCA FOR CAPONI ART PARK, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 11 AM-4 PM

Liaison with Caponi: Maestra Giovanna di Battista da Firenze

Volunteer coordinators: [Mistress Rosanore of Redthorn](#) and [Lord Wolfstanus Lightfote](#)

[Caponi Art Park's site for this event](#)

[Directions to the Art Park](#)

[Nordskogen's site for volunteers for the Fair](#)

Please come and join us in our annual recreation of a period village for the Caponi Art Park!

THE WEDDING CELEBRATION OF PATRICK RAINES AND MARIA HULL, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, NOON, OLIVET CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, 1850 IGLEHART AVE., SAINT PAUL, MN, 55104

I am getting married October 13th and I would like to invite all of you to a Hogwarts themed party on October 14th! Please RSVP before August 1st. For a physical Ticket to Hogwarts, ask [Mark Olfson](#), [Herjolf Eilifsson](#) or [Erin Ahlstrom](#).

Sinisterly, Abelard (the younger) DeReynes

UPCOMING BARONIAL SPECIAL EVENTS

Period clothing will be required for these. Please note that the Barony has period clothing & feast dishes to loan.

THROWN WEAPONS MOOT

**Sunday, September 17, At The Home of Comtesse Guenievre du Dragon Vert (Green Jenny)
880 Lakeview Drive, Lino Lakes MN 55014, 612-270-0011**

More information coming very soon!

12TH NIGHT: AN ITALIAN MASKED BALL

Saturday, Jan.13, 2018—Sunday, Jan.14, 2018, Lord of Light Church, 14501 Nowthen Blvd NW, Ramsey MN 55303

Event Steward: Bazyli Boleslaw z Krakowa olaughingson22@gmail.com (218) 370-1678

Feast Stewards: Dame Siobhan Medhbh O'Roarke, Lord Madoc ap Jones

Dance Mistress and Master: Domina Isabella Beatrice della Rosa (Belle), THL Dafydd Arth

Registration: \$20 (Includes Archery fee for Bwana on Sunday)

Registration with Member discount: \$15 (Includes Archery fee for Bwana on Sunday)

Children 0-17: Free (Still will have to pay for feast if old enough to occupy a seat)

Feast Cost: \$15 at gate, \$13 with pre-registration. Send copy of front and back of blue card along with note who you are registering for to: Denise Bell, 3608 Morgan Ave N., Minneapolis, MN, 55412.

Pre-registration begins November 1st and closes December 31st.

Make checks payable to: SCA Inc. - Barony of Nordskogen

Our Baroness has requested a masquerade of the Italian style for our 12th night celebration, and we, her humble stewards, are happy to provide.

Come! Join us for a joyous day of merry making and revelry.

In the midst of the dark days of winter, we shall dance by fairy light.

WEEKLY WEDNESDAY MEETING SITE AND SCHEDULE

Folks begin gathering between 6:30 and 7:00 p.m., announcements generally start around 7:30 p.m.

Meetings end at 9:00 p.m.

**All of our weekly Wednesday meetings are held at: The Geek Partnership Society's Event Horizon
In the Waterbury Building, the big red building at the corner of Jackson St. NE and Broadway St. NE,
(1121 Jackson St NE, Minneapolis, MN, 55413)**

Enter at the **BACK** of the building. **Door 1121C** is the one closest to the rooms we are in.

Link to a map: <http://tinyurl.com/geekpartnershipmap>

To get to the big parking lot at the back of the building and near our entrance doors:

Go north on Jackson, driving past the little parking lot on the right (we don't park there), go to the end of the building, take the first right onto the street there which is Twelfth Ave. NE.

If you go over the railroad tracks, you've gone too far!

Note: the slots with the STS signs are only reserved until 3 p.m. Metal Parking slots are always off limits.

9/06:	Room 106A: Announcements & socializing Making for 12th Night, Part One	Room 107: Rapier practice
9/13:	Room 106A: Announcements & socializing Mask Making for 12th Night, Part Two	Room 107: Rapier practice
9/20:	Room 106A: Business meeting & socializing	Room 107: Rapier practice
9/27:	Room 106A: Announcements & socializing Italian Garb for 12th Night (Baroness Angelina, continuing)	Room 107: Rapier practice

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