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A MISSIVE FROM OUR BARON AND BARONESS

Greeting to our snowy-at-heart populace.

While we might have considered some of the November nights good for camping, the holiday season is upon us. We look forward to hosting you all at our Sunday of Tournaments in support of the Marine Toys for Tots Foundation on Sunday, December 17. Archery, fencing, armored, cooking, and court will all be included. Details will be elsewhere in the Quill here. Please join us for the festivities, regardless of your ability to bring a toy for donation, or a dish for potluck.

In January, the Barony is hosting Twelfth Night, which will include an Italian masquerade ball. Dances will be shared elsewhere in the Quill here. If you would like to work on the dances, but cannot make it to Minneapolis on Thursdays, please reach out to Baroness Samia and Mistress Rosanore. We will work with a number of instructors in the Barony to coordinate dance time for your local crew.

We have decided to make a significant change to Twelfth Night this year. In consultation with the Bard of Nordskogen, ban Ollamh Orlaith, we will not be seeking the next Bard of Nordskogen at Twelfth Night, but will move this activity to Schutzenfest in May. We're very excited to give this activity pride of place in the evenings at Schutzenfest, and we invite all bards and budding-bards in the Barony to join us. More details will be forthcoming.

*In loving service,
Baron Geoffrey and Baroness Samia*



Notes from the Nordskogen Business Meeting, November 15, 2017
Baron Thomas Bordeaux (JP Andrews) presiding
Mistress Rosanore of Redthorn (Susan G. Henry) recording
Approx. 25 in attendance

Call to order

Officers' Reports

Exchequer and Financial Report

Lord Wolfstanus Lightfote

September ending balance:	\$ 17,992.75
Income:	\$ 61.67
Expenditures:	\$ 180.00
October ending balance:	\$ 17,874.42

Balance Change: (\$ 118.33)

Donations to date: \$1,869.05

Inventory lists need to be turned in by the end of Dec.

Brief Financial Committee meeting after the business meeting.

Seneschal, Baron Thomas Bordeaux: Still looking for someone to take up the mantle of Baronial Chatelaine. All needed support and training will be provided. This is one of the most fun jobs in the SCA!

Knight's Marshal, Sir Herjolf Eilifsson: Practices are going well. Would like to pass on the joy. Baron Refkell Melrakki Einarsson has agreed to run for Knight's Marshal.

Vote on Knight's Marshal: Baron Refkell Melrakki Einarsson

Melrakki says he's a pure neutral. Votes from last night's fighter's practice were folded in. Accepted!

Boffer Captain, Lord Tribaldi de Gritti (formerly Lord Ulf inn hugprúði): not present.

Sir Herjolf: Two buffer participants on the same day! Starting the conversation on how to best serve the needs of the buffer families.

Thrown Weapons Captain, Lady Idonea le Lakere: present

On hiatus for the season. Will restart in the spring. Possible projects after 12th Night.

Signet, THL Una Duckfoot: not present

MoAS, Lady Helena the Quiet: present

Nov. 22: Open Project Night

Nov. 29: Italian Garb— Baroness Angelina Nicollette de Beaumont

Dec. 6 & 13: Banner Making for 12th Night

Chatelain: no report

Quartermaster, Baroness Kateryn of Roseberry Topping, called Khadijah: present

Stuff is in the shed. The lock is on the door.

Officers' Reports (con.)

Webminister, Lady Cecily of York: still have a website. Will get Melrakki's information and share it with the Chronicler. Look for a blurb writer: Baroness Samia and Mistress Rosanore both volunteered.

Rapier Captain, Baroness Kolfinna Hrafnkelsdottir: not present
Baron Bastien de la Mesa reports that everything's ok.

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

Herald, Lady Checheyigen Oyugun: not present

Chronicler, Mistress Rosanore of Redthorn: Things are going on just as usual.

Archery Captain, Lady Cyneburg: not present
Practice is in Bwana now for the season.

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

More Information on Toys for Tots/Nordskog Yule—Sunday, December 17

The Baron and Baroness of Nordskog welcome archers, cooks, rapier and armored combat fighters, and the populace to the Annual Toys for Tots Tournaments on Sunday, December 17.

At Bwana Archery, 3015 Country Dr. in Little Canada

Hosted by Meistari Sefa Farmansdóttir and Baroness Amalia St. Edmund, on behalf of Geoffrey and Samia
9:00-11:00 am: Archery Tournament. This activity replaces the usual Archery practice for that day.
Details about the shoots to follow.

At the Geek Partnership Society, 1121 NE Jackson St in Minneapolis

Hosted by THL Constanza de Sevilla and Lady Lewke verch Gwilim, on behalf of Geoffrey and Samia
4-4:30 pm: Set Up
4:30-6:00 Introduction and Rapier Tournament
4:30-6:00 Cooking and Brewing Showcase, Championship Challenge
6:00-6:30 Court and Potluck Dinner
6:30-8:00 Armored Combat Tournament
8:00-9:00 Clean up and Toy counting
9:00-10:00 Toy delivery to KARE 11, in garb and hoping for a slow news day

Please bring a potluck dish (modern or period) to share for dinner; labeling ingredients encouraged.

Cooking and Brewing Showcase: A Feast for the Senses! Participants will showcase during the Rapier Tournament, and before court each will have one minute to tell the populace what they are showcasing. The Populace will vote on their favorite Sensational entry. From entrants who wish to serve as Cooking Champion, the Baron and Baroness will also select their next Champion. Contact Lady Lewke if you will be participating in the Showcase alone, or the Showcase and Champion Challenge together.

The schedule may be adjusted if tournaments are running longer than planned. The tournaments will not begin earlier than the scheduled times. We do not have access to the space prior to 4 pm as there are other activities happening there until that time.

Please note that at 12th Night, there will be a ball in the afternoon. Bardic championship will not be at 12th Night but will be at Schützenfest in May instead.

New Business

Harvest Home—Duchess Anne Geoffreys of Warwick

On the calendar! Budget is approved! Third weekend in October 2018! Unscheduled except for food! Anne, Geoff, and Sefa are nationally certified as USA Archery as Level 1 instructors. Wine, beer, no kegs. Carry the message to your communities!

Schützenfest—Mistress Rosanore of Redthorn

On the calendar! Thank you, Baron Thomas!

Toys for Tots—THL Constanza de Sevilla

Advertising outside the Barony. Looking for hang-out space between archery and the other activities. Trying for her community room which would be free for that. Working on the tournaments. Baroness Khadijah will deliver the toys from the Archery moot.

Announcements

Dance tomorrow! Come learn the Masked Ball dances!

ban Ollamh Orlaith Ballach Inghean Fhlain, Baronial Bard

The next Bardic gathering will be on the first Monday in Dec.: Dec. 4. Theme: Winter. 7-9:30 Ask Orlaith for address. She usually makes scones... Taking people to Midrealm Bardic Madness this coming weekend.

Meeting adjourned.

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For directions, see under the weekly archery announcement above.

This event will replace the regular Sunday archery practice for this day.

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The Barony covers the cost of participation for archers, and supporters attend for free.

Hosted by Meistari Sefa Farmansdóttir and Baroness Amalia St. Edmund, on behalf of Geoffrey and Samia

The Rapier and Armored Combat Toys for Tots Tournament will be held from 4:00-9 pm in Room 107

In 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).

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Tournament details forthcoming.

If you have any questions, please contact the event stewards:

Amalia St. Edmund koko_bean2000@yahoo.com; Sefa Farmansdóttir tekaylin@gmail.com

Constanza de Sevilla either on Facebook or by email at gingerspaniard@gmail.com; Lewke verch Gwilim erin@dilogy.net

Archers and fighters as well as observers are invited to participate by donating toys.

GPS HOLIDAY EMPORIUM

Saturday, Dec. 9, 10 am-5pm, Geek Partnership Society Rooms, Waterbury Building, Minneapolis MN



Need <insert your Winter Holiday> presents? Join Geek Partnership Society and some very talented artists/crafters/artisans as we make your <holiday> dreams come true!

Anime Twin Cities is currently planning to host ol' Saint Nick, as he makes GPS one of his stops on his Sit on Santa's Lap 2017 tour.

There will be snacks and music and general festiveness.

This is a fundraiser for GPS, bringing STEM programming to youth for almost 20 years.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

STAFF BEING SOUGHT FOR SCHÜTZENFEST 2018

The event steward, Mistress Rosanore of Redthorn, is seeking the staff members for Schützenfest 2018 (first weekend in May). She has been tasked to seek them from among the ranks of those who do **not** shoot archery so that all of our archers can participate in the shooting. Staff members still being sought include: Webminister, Volunteer coordinator, Setup coordinator, and Clean-up coordinator. Please contact Mistress Rosanore if you have any questions or are interested in volunteering.

CHATELAIN POSITION IS NOW VACANT

THL Bazyli Boleslaw z Krakowa has stepped down as Chatelain and this position is now vacant. Anyone who is interested in this position should contact our Seneschal, Baron Thomas Bordeaux, at: 562-552-7164. 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.

We Have A New Knight's Marshal!

Baron Refkell Melrakki Einarsson has been confirmed in this position by a vote that was held at the Nov. 14 fighters' practice and at the Nov. 15 business meeting.

TWELFTH NIGHT 2018 A&S

Join us for this year's Twelfth Night in Nordskogen on January 13, 2018 when we will be celebrating Carnivale in Venice! In addition to tournaments, and a fabulous feast, we will be having a Masked Ball (dancing!) and two very special A&S Competitions.

All are very welcome to enter either or both Competitions, no matter where you are in your creative journey – novice, apprentice or master! And we want to encourage artisans to explore a skill or craft that is new to them. This is an opportunity to get feedback and assistance on your creative journey.

INCOMPLETE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED in either Competition – we do this in order that artisans may receive feedback from judges and others and help in getting through “stuck places.”

Prizes will be given to the winners of the Competitions!

The theme for our Judged A&S Competition will focus on Carnivale in Venice, but we have expanded it to include anyone, any location or time period who might have traded with or visited Venice or Italy, or any masked ball, theatrical, performance or masked tradition, in order to include as many locations and personas as possible. This A&S Competition will be judged face-to-face.

A&S Competition information: You may create any item that fits within that loose theme. Documentation will be required. You might want to look at the Kingdom A&S Competition Handbook as a guideline (see <http://www.northshield.org/Posts/KingdomAandSComp.aspx?AS>). Be sure to mention in your documentation how your entry fits within the theme – is the item, created, traded to or from Venice or Italy, part of Carnivale or a different performance tradition, etc.

Here is a [link](#) to the entry form.

Entries need to be registered by December 15, 2017.

We will also be looking for judges for this part of the A&S Competition.

Our second A&S Competition is a Mask Free-for-All – no documentation, and winners will be chosen by bean count. Anyone may enter any mask – we just ask that you have adapted, created, decorated, or changed your mask in some way. Masks will be judged prior to the Masked Ball. Here is a [link](#) to the entry form.

Questions, early entry information, or volunteer judges contact information may be sent to:

Lady Niamh ingen Dhomnail at: niamhnordskogen@gmail.com. Please include your SCA and mundane name, and your email in your note.

DANCE LIST FOR NORDSKOGEN'S MASKED BALL AT TWELFTH NIGHT 2018

Dance instruction booklet is available at: <https://rosanore.files.wordpress.com/2017/11/twelfth-night-masked-ball-dance-booklet.pdf>

Set 1

Black Alman – Inns of Court
Salterello La Regina – SCA Heritage
LyBens Distonys – Gresley Manuscript
Gathering Peascods – English Country Dance (ECD)
Heralds in Love – SCA Heritage (ECD style)

Set 3

Petit Rose – 15th Century Italian
Bransle l'Official – Arbeau
Prenes en gres de doubus – Gresley Manuscript
Sillenger's Round – ECD
Korobushka – SCA Heritage

Set 2

Madam Sosilia's Alman – Inns of Court
Petit Vriens – 15th Century Italian
Armynn – Gresley Manuscript
Black Nag – ECD
Return of Spring – SCA Heritage (ECD style)

Set 4

Contrapasso in Due – 16th Century Italian
Rufty Tufty – ECD
Bransle Montarde – Arbeau
Maid Peeped Out of the Window – ECD
Dargason – ECD

UPCOMING BARONIAL SPECIAL EVENTS

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

TOYS FOR TOTS, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17—MORE INFORMATION UNDER THE BUSINESS MEETING NOTES ABOVE

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Lady Lewke verch Gwilim and THL Constanza de Sevilla will be coordinating these efforts for us.

The Toys for Tots Afternoon Extravaganza will open at 4:00 PM for setup at the Geek Partnership Society.

Participants are welcome from 4:30 to 9:00. Garb is encouraged.

We will start with a Rapier Tournament and Cooking Showcase, running concurrently.

After the rapier tournament, Cooking Showcase participants will briefly speak about their dishes, and the populace will vote on their favorite dish. Baron Geoffrey and Baroness Samia will further select their next Cooking Champion.

During the potluck dinner, there will be a Baronial Court. After court, at about 6:30, will be the Toys for Tots Armored Tournament.

Toys will be brought to KARE 11 for drop off after activities.

Garbed helpers are invited to join Their Excellencies to see if we can get on the 10:00 PM broadcast.

Archers and fighters as well as observers are invited to participate by donating toys.

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. **More dance information above.**

A&S Coordinator: Lady Niamh ingen Dhonnail. **More A&S information above.**

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 has begun 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!

Metal Parking slots are always off limits.

12/06: Room 106A: Announcements & socializing
Banner Making for Twelfth Night

12/13: Room 106A: Business meeting & socializing

12/20: Room 106A: Announcements & socializing
Banner Making for Twelfth Night

12/27: Room 106A: Announcements & socializing

Room 107: Rapier practice

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