

# THE CRYSTAL QUILL

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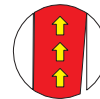
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### A MISSIVE FROM OUR BARON AND BARONESS

*Happy New Year to the best snowy populace this side of the Midrealm\*!*

*A Masquerade with Dancing, one of our own recognized as a member of the Order of the Laurel, Archery, Feasting, Jumble Sales! We are very excited to open the doors for Twelfth Night this year. **But we need more help**—particularly with the task of clean up. Please consider donating an hour of time before you leave to help *out* the folks who are volunteering all day to make this great event happen.*

*On Sunday, January 14, Twelfth Night fun continues at Bwana Archery where garb is encouraged, but not required. They are generously opening their doors a few hours early for us so we can shoot. Many folks will grab an early lunch at Culver's on Rice Street after archery, and you can feel free to join us there to hear about the fabulous feats and frivolity of the morning.*

*At Toys for Tots we recognized a few individuals in our court, and hope to find a few more throughout the day at Twelfth Night. In evening court we will be inducting two new members to the Order of the Rouge Bend, the senior service order of our Barony.*

- *Lord Dietrich von Katzenwald (Baton Gules)*
- *Baroness Kolfinna Hrafnkelsdottir (Azure Gauntlet)*
- *Baron Bastien De La Mesa (Writ of Gratitude from the Baronies of Jararvellir and Nordskogen)*
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*In Service,  
Baron Geoffrey and Baroness Samia*

*\*Bonus points if you can tell Samia about the best snowy populace on the other side of the Midrealm.*



**Notes from the Nordskogen Business Meeting, December 13, 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**

October ending balance:	\$ 17,924.42
Income:	\$ 595.67
Expenditures:	\$ 1,230.00
November ending balance:	\$ 17,290.09

Balance Change: (\$ 634.33)

Donations to date: \$1,971.31

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

Brief Financial Committee meeting QUICKLY after the business meeting.

**Seneschal, Baron Thomas Bordeaux:**

**Knight's Marshal, Baron Refkell Melrakki Einarsson:** Loaner armor really

**Boffer Captain, Lord Tribaldi de Gritti** (formerly Lord Ulf inn hugprúði): Low numbers but still continuing. Putting out a survey to find out what will work for people. Need rough idea of how many youth fighters at 12<sup>th</sup> Night. Poll on Facebook, 12<sup>th</sup> Night webpage. Group buy of good reasonable priced youth armor possible down the road.

**Thrown Weapons Captain, Lady Idonea le Lakere:** not present

**Signet, THL Una Duckfoot:** not present

**MoAS, Lady Helena the Quiet:** not present. Lady Niamh ingen Dhomnail: Painting banners this week, next week (and maybe week after). 12<sup>th</sup> Night mask and A&S comp entries registrations are due by this Friday.

**Chatelain:** No report. Would still like to have one (if only to have a report.)

**Quartermaster, Baroness Kateryn of Roseberry Topping, called Khadijah:** Stuff is in shed. Contact asap if you need stuff for 12<sup>th</sup> night. Cataract surgery in January. Barony now owns a Keurig. Hopefully ok in shed. Supplies already purchased for 12<sup>th</sup> night.

**Webminister, Lady Cecily of York:** not present

## Officers' Reports (con.)

### **Rapier Captain, Baroness Kolfinna Hrafnkelsdottir:**

Congrats to Lord Hallgeirr Avarrson for authorizing at Boar's Head. There is sufficient interest in a cut and thrust practice that she's working with Magnifico Niccolo Falconetto and Meistari Tokí inn bloðauga Magnusson to set one up. One off in next month or so. If enough interest, will continue. No injuries this quarter.

**Clerk of Precedence, Baroness Coquette du Lyons:** 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

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

Lucky is going to continue to be the Cooking Champion through the summer. Dancing in Nordleigh in Jan. Toys for Tots on Sunday. Dice tourney for fighters. Kare 11 not collecting toys that night and you need a reservation too. Toys will be delivered next day to the main T for T warehouse. Two retainerships open for Toys for Tots.

## Old Business

### Twelfth Night

In progress. Lots of things going on. Seeking volunteers. Making banners. Checking in weekly with departments. Saturday playing with raviolis and bringing to Toys for Tots for people to try and enjoy. Some classes. Kids scribal—Cecily. Period harpsichord class. Sandwich bar for lunch? Info. Signs on tables. Donations sought for jumble sale and silent auction. Stuff and services. Google form to fill out for items, esp. for value and unusual characteristics. Stuff for youth at a youthful price point. Looking for volunteers.

## Announcements

Dance next week is cancelled. Our next practice will be on Thursday, January 4, from 6:00-8:00 p.m, in Nordleigh, at the Wentworth Library, 199 W. Wentworth Ave., West St. Paul, 55118 We will continue learning and reviewing the dances for the masked ball at Twelfth Night.

### ban Ollamh Orlaith Ballach Inghean Fhlain, Baronial Bard

The next Bardic gathering will be on the second Monday in Jan.: Jan. 8. 7-9:30 Ask Orlaith for address. She usually makes scones...

**Meeting adjourned.**

## 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.

### TWELFTH NIGHT NEWS AND NOTES

#### 12th Night "Fashion Show & Tell"

We've made some changes to the 12th Night A&S & Masks Competitions because of the kind of entries and responses that we received. Instead of having an A&S display, we'll be having a garb "fashion show & tell" and feedback in the Salon area between 11:00 am and 12:00 noon. That way the people who made garb and want to wear it can still participate.

The Masks competition populace bean count will be open by about 10:00 am until about 12:30 pm. Please have your Masks to the Salon area **No Later Than 9:30 AM!**

The Salon will be set up in the populace area in the dining area from about 9:00 am through 2:00 pm. The Masks Competition will also be set up in that same area.

We will still have an A&S prize, and will still have a populace bean count with prizes for the masks.

Please check the schedule at Gate for last-minute schedule changes.

#### A Twelfth Night Request From Baroness Kolfinna Hrafnkelsdottir

As the clean-up crew coordinator for Twelfth Night this year, I'm looking for some extra hands. If you are available after the end of feast, please consider dropping me a line \*via email\* at e[dot]aufde[at]gmail[dot]com.

#### Twelfth Night Volunteer News from the Event Steward, THL Bazyli Boleslaw z Krakowa

Good news! The volunteer sign-ups are filling up well.

However, the kitchen dishwashing crew still only has Hedwyg, Helena, and Tzinae.

It would be a lot easier on these people if many of us took on just one shift vs a few of us taking on many.

Go [here](#) to find the volunteer sign-up sheets for dishwashing and other volunteering opportunities that are still open.

#### 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  
Sellenger'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.*

### 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:** THL Bazyli Boleslaw z Krakowa [olaughingson22@gmail.com](mailto:olaughingson22@gmail.com) (218) 370-1678

**Feast Stewards:** Lord Madoc ap Jones assisted by Dame Siobhan Medhbh O'Roarke

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

**More dance information on page 3 below.**

**Page 3 also has volunteer information.**

**A&S Coordinator:** Lady Niamh ingen Dhomnail

**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.

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

**Pre-registration has closed.**

**As of Dec. 27, feast is sold out.**

**Servers (eat feast for free) are still needed.**

**A limited amount of off-board seating in the feast hall (a place to sit; bring your own food) is available.**

**A wait list has been started and those on it will receive notification via e-mail.**

**Please send all questions to Denise Bell, [THL Constanza de Sevilla](mailto:THL_Constanza_de_Sevilla)**

**Lunch:** The Shire of Avenwood will be providing a make your own sandwich bar. The cost will be \$5 cash.

Turkey, ham, provolone cheese, chips, water and Gatorade will be available. They plan to bring enough to feed about 100.

Our Baroness has requested a masquerade of the Italian style for our 12<sup>th</sup> 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.**

**1/03: Room 106A:** Announcements & socializing  
**1/10: Room 106A:** Announcements & socializing  
**1/17: Room 106A:** Business meeting & socializing  
**1/24: Room 106A:** Announcements & socializing  
**1/31: Room 106A:** Announcements & socializing

**Room 107:** Rapier practice  
**Room 107:** Rapier practice  
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