

# THE CRYSTAL QUILL

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## **A MISSIVE FROM OUR BARON AND BARONESS**

*Unto the great people of Nordskogen, Nordleigh and Blachemere, greetings!*

*Coronation has come and gone, and Her Majesty Jehanette has been crowned Queen. If you wish to assist her during her reign, talk with her Chamberlains, Taion, Sorcha, and Wu. They will happily take your help, it's fun, and you don't need special skills or rank to aid the Crown.*

*While we're talking about royalty, Crown Tournament is coming up. As it's close by, we hope to see many of you there, cheering on the combatants as they vie to be the Heirs. Her Excellency won't be there, but His Excellency will. (Her Excellency asks that if you see him, please ask if he's been drinking water; he tends to forget that.)*

*We will have another largesse-making night at meeting on October 9. Come make simple stuffed animals for the Kingdom toy chest! Niamh & Helena are assembling kits with materials & directions, and we will teach the very basic assembly stitches needed.*

*Winter comes closer, and so does Twelfth Night. As of this writing, the event stewards have extended the deadline for proposals for a person or group to provide lunch to October 16, our business meeting. We are not going to have a feast, and if we want to provide food to our guests, we need volunteers. If you're interested, please email one of us ([baron@nordskogen.org](mailto:baron@nordskogen.org) or [baroness@nordskogen.org](mailto:baroness@nordskogen.org)) to connect with the event stewards, Baroness Khadijah and Lord Irial, even if you're not sure about it. Assistance is available!*

*Twelfth Night is a big event for Nordskogen and the Kingdom, and as always we need volunteers to make it run well. We must be out of the site at 10 p.m., and in previous years we have pushed that deadline because the work was being done by only a handful of people. This is our party, and yet we consistently see just a few people plus our guests doing the lion's share of the work. Please spend an hour or two of your event volunteering, particularly for cleanup. If everyone helps, it won't take too long, and you may get to see His Excellency running a vacuum.*

*Stay warm (or cool, the weather keeps changing), have fun, and if you cause trouble, don't be greedy: share the trouble with everyone!*

*Yours,  
Caoilfhionn and Gabriel, Baroness and Baron of Nordskogen*



## **LETTER FROM THE EXCHEQUER**

### **Officers, Q4 is rapidly approaching!**

In addition to your regular reporting duties, it would make your new exchequer *ex-quisitely* happy if you would begin to:

1. Create or update an **inventory** of any loot you might be holding on to for the barony *and*
2. Think about your **budget** and communicate with me about it.

Gosh, it would swell if I could get those things from each of you this fall! Shall we say... the October business meeting? Contact me with questions! Lady Lewke verch Gwilim, called Lucky [exchequer@nordskogen.org](mailto:exchequer@nordskogen.org)

## WEEKLY WEDNESDAY MEETING SITE AND SCHEDULE

Folks begin gathering between 6:30 & 7:00 p.m. Announcements are generally at 7:30 p.m.  
Meetings end around 9:00 p.m.

Our weekly Wednesday meetings are held in: The Geek Partnership Society's Event Horizon  
In the Waterbury Building, the big red building at Jackson St. NE & Broadway St. NE,  
(1121 Jackson St. NE, Minneapolis, MN, 55413.)

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

Enter the building on the **TRAIN TRACK (EASTERN) SIDE**.

**Door 1121C** is the one closest to the rooms we are in.

**To get to the big parking lot near our entrance door:**

From Broadway St., go north on Jackson, drive 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., and take the next right into the parking lot. If you go over the railroad tracks, you've gone too far!

**Note: Metal Parking slots are always off limits.**

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<b>10/02: Room 106A:</b> Announcements & socializing	<b>Room 107:</b> Rapier practice
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**First Wednesday: Scribal Arts Project Night!**

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<b>10/09: Room 106A:</b> Announcements & socializing	<b>Room 107:</b> Rapier practice
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**Largest Night: Help Make Toys For the Kingdom Toy Chest!**

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<b>10/16: Room 106A:</b> Business meeting & socializing	<b>Room 107:</b> Rapier practice
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<b>10/23: Room 106A:</b> Announcements & socializing	<b>Room 107:</b> Rapier practice
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<b>10/30: Room 106A:</b> Announcements & socializing	<b>Room 107:</b> Rapier practice
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### UPCOMING BARONIAL SPECIAL EVENTS

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

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#### TWELFTH NIGHT

**SATURDAY, JAN. 11, 2020—SUNDAY, JAN. 12, 2020**

**Lord of Light Church, 14501 Nowthen Blvd NW, Ramsey MN 55303**

**Event Stewards:** Baroness Kateryn of Roseberry Topping, called Khadijah and Lord Irial Féasruadh ó hIarnáin  
Planned activities currently include armored combat, rapier combat, archery (on Sunday), the jumble sale, and a scavenger hunt.

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#### SCHÜTZENFEST XIII

**5 PM, FRIDAY, MAY 29, 2020--NOON, SUNDAY, MAY 31, 2020**

**Camp Singing Hills, 49496 193rd Ave, Waterville, MN 56096**

Hosted by the Barony of Nordskogen in the lands of Rivenwood Tower

***Use caution when locating the site via GPS. Please use directions given on the event website.***

**Event Steward: Mistress Rosanore of Redthorn**

Join us for a weekend packed with archery, thrown weapons, and the competition for the title of Schützenkönig, king of marksmen!

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### GENERAL NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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#### Canton of Nordleigh's October A&S Meeting

Nordleigh's October A&S meeting will be held on the second Thursday, October 10, from 7-10 pm at [St. Peter's Lutheran Church](#), 418 East Sumner St, Northfield, MN, 55057, in the Fellowship Hall. Enter the hall from the back parking lot. We will be having a surprise guest demonstrating an early craft of our pre-1600 world. Please contact the MOAS, THL Ingeborg i Trondheimi, at: 443-813-2941 or at: [lorraine.rovig@gmail.com](mailto:lorraine.rovig@gmail.com) for directions and to let her know that you are coming.

# NOTES FROM THE NORDSKOGEN BUSINESS MEETING, SEPTEMBER 18, 2019

Baroness Sorcha Bhuidhe (Sarah Oldenburg Garcia) presiding

Mistress Rosanore of Redthorn (Susan G. Henry) recording

Approx. 20 in attendance

Call to order

## Officers' Reports

### **Their Excellencies Baroness Caoilfhionn and Baron Gabriel:**

Coronation was wonderful. No injuries. Please send award recommendations for Twelfth Night!!!! Please volunteer to help at Twelfth Night and ask your friends! Please strongly consider donating an hour of your time. Dance Seminar is this weekend in Silfren Mere. Crown Tournament is Oct. 12 in Rockhaven (Crosby, MN). Close by, please go!

### **Seneschal, Baroness Sorcha Bhuidhe:**

Thanks to all the officers for volunteering. We need more volunteers! There's a job out there for everyone! Right now: we need Twelfth Night volunteers. Currently, there is no food scheduled to be served because we have no volunteer to do this. Suggestion: Officers' Day would be a good event for Nordskogen to host. Looking for a volunteer to run it. This is an event that's very easy to run. Learn what the offices are and current officers get trained. There will be a brief financial meeting after the business meeting.

## Exchequer and Financial Report

### **Lady Lewke verch Gwilim, called Lucky**

July 2019 ending balance:	\$ 22,610.33
Income:	\$ 107.08
Expenditures:	\$ 460.00
August 2019 ending balance:	\$ 22,257.41
Balance Change:	\$ ( 352.92)

Donations for the year 2019: \$990.82

Please note that a donation of \$3-10 per month per person would help us cover expenses.

Officer budgets and inventories should be ready by the October business meeting.

Brief financial meeting after the business meeting.

Five hour book review for Exchequer changeover went really well said Duchess Anne.

**Chronicler, Mistress Rosanore of Redthorn:** All is going well.

**Herald, Lord Irial Féasruadh ó hIarnáin:** No injuries. Raven's SCA name is on the way to being passed.

**Minister of Arts and Sciences, Lady Helena the Quiet:** Scribal happened this month. Quarterly filed on time. Oct. 9 we will be making toys for the Kingdom toy chest. Let her know about individual projects for her report.

**Knight's Marshal, THL Helgi Moosebane:** No injuries. 2 new people. Practice is inside now. Around 8 were in attendance last night.

**Boffer Captain, Lord Tribaldi de Gritti:** Not present. Taking a break for the summer. Start date will be Tuesday, October 1, then every other Tuesday at the armored combat site.

## Officers' Reports (con.)

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**Rapier Captain, THL Sven Asvaldarson:** Not present. Rapier is happening and there are new people and visitors as well.

**Chatelaine, Jelena di Paganía:** Online: 2. In person: 2. Quarterly: 30 total online and in person. Rosanore and I went to Rokeclif's demo last week. Will be talking about marketing with Coquette and Coelwen next month. Interest in newcomers meeting before Twelfth Night? Barony currently does not have an official demo display. Seeking volunteers to help with that. Cleaning and mending the Golden Key clothes and feast gear. No injuries.

**Archery Captain, Meistari Sefa Farmansdóttir:** No injuries. Events and holidays have kept attendance down. Largest group in attendance was 5. Special birthday shoots this Sunday (9/22) with prizes and cupcakes! Meistari Sefa and Baron Geoffrey are exactly 30 years apart in age! This will be the theme for the shoots. Loaner gear is available. At Marsh Lake range, weather permitting, otherwise at Bwana.

**Thrown Weapons Captain, Comtesse Guenievre du Dragon Vert:** Not present.

**Clerk of Precedence, Lady Cynthia the Innocent:** Not present.

**Signet, THL Amary Fairamay:** 115 days until Twelfth Night, 32 weekend days. Sounds like a lot until you start subtracting holidays and events. Currently no recommendations at all. Please send in your award recommendations sooner rather than later. Not too soon for recommendations for Twelfth Night! Form on the website! Scribal still happening on first Wednesdays. Feel free to bring questions and concerns. No injuries. Cecily and Amary and Katerinka contributed scrolls and things to Coronation.

**Quartermaster, Baroness Kateryn of Roseberry Topping, called Khadijah:** Not present. Looking for a new storage site. Should be secure, at least 10 x 15, reasonably priced. Closer to GPS or to Lord of Life. Ask Seneschal for more details.

**Webminister, Lady Coelwen ingen Adaim:** Not present. Still have a website. Working on updates and making a list. Going slower than she would like. Hopes to start making regular (weekly-ish) posts and also hopes to do a monthly blog. No injuries.

## Old Business

### WW 2019

WW check to pay loan has come in and has been deposited.

### Twelfth Night 2020

Lady Niamh ingen Dhonnail will be running the A&S competition. The theme is red accessories. Let her know if you're interested in judging. A volunteer for lunch and dessert revel is needed. Please contact the autocrats. A dessert competition and/or potluck being considered.

## Announcements

Dance tomorrow!

Meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.