

Unto King Cuan and Queen Signy of Atlantia, Their Highnesses the Prince and Princess, Amos and Kara, Baron Gabrell and Baroness Avice, and the populace of the Barony of Lochmere, do we Baron Master Phillip of Ghent and Lady Genevieve Dampier de la Marche send greetings. With this letter we hereby announce our desire to become Baron and Baroness of our esteemed Barony of Lochmere.

As the Barony readies itself for another polling session, we realize the great accomplishments done by Their Excellencies Gabrell and Avice and know we have high standards and expectations to meet. Their example has illustrated to us how great Lochmere is, as well as all of those who help keep it moving forward.

We are particularly grateful to have been part of the Society for Creative Anachronism for many years and know in our hearts how incredible it is and all that it can be as we grow and work to become even better. Our collective years of being in this organization give us the understanding of the level of commitment, dedication, and enthusiasm required to hold such important and honored positions. Our objectives for the Barony are through encouragement for the continual growth of various Martial Arts and the Arts and Sciences communities. We seek to recognize and reward those who are in service to the Barony and the Kingdom. We endeavor to support the populace by increasing opportunities for teaching and learning activities across the Barony. What is most important to us is that everyone's perspective is heard as we make decisions and work together to provide a flourishing barony to better serve the Kingdom.

The duties of the Baron and Baroness of a group are many. The Baron and Baroness should be leaders with a vision, ready to guide the group on whatever path is necessary to help the group prosper and grow. They should be active in the SCA representing the Barony at many events, provide an ear for those who need it, offer a shoulder for their subjects to lean on, and be a guiding voice to provide direction. The Baron and Baroness present award recommendations to the Crown, in addition to recognizing worthy deeds by their populace and bestowing awards themselves. They should be able work closely with the Seneschal and other group officers, for although the Baron and Baroness are not technically officers, their influence on the group is a strong one. Our motto as well as our personal belief is 'Teamwork Makes the Dream Work', and we swear by the time and toil we have invested in the SCA, and by all that will be dedicated to the Barony of Lochmere.

About Us...

Baron Master Phillip, one of the founding members of Dun Carraig and having served three terms as its Baron, is a proven leader. He joined the Society in 1979 and has resided in Marinus, Tir-Y-Don, Caer Mear, and Storvik. Phillip has served at various times as a herald, chronicler, web minister, and seneschal in these groups. He is a Thrown Weapons marshal, and has autocratted and cooked for events. At the Kingdom level he was Clerk of Precedence, researcher on the Triton Herald's staff, and is a past Chancellor of the University of Atlantia. In recognition of this service he has been inducted into the Order of the Golden Dolphin and the Order of the Pelican.

Lady Genevieve began her SCA life in the Mid-Realm in 1992 in the Barony of Cynnabar. In the Kingdom of Atlantia, she has supported the Barony of Lochmere as its Baronial Chirurgeon, until the office's dissolution in 2015 and is currently the Baronial MOL. She is a strong advocate for the Arts and Sciences; she makes blown glass objects for which she has an Eagle's Feather, Coral Branch and is a Companion of the Pearl. Lately she has taken the field as a combat archer in support of the Martial Arts. She has autocratted and cooked for events, and can be found at baronial and kingdom events alike assisting in other capacities. For these efforts she has been recognized in being made a member of the Blasted Oak.

By our hand on this 14th day of May A.S. LII