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LOCHMERE ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

Populace Meeting

First Monday of every month
7:15 pm Via Google Meet

Archery Practice

Every Thursday (til time change)
Lord Ivan's Home
511 Chad Avenue, Severn, MD 21144

Fighter Practice (Heavy & Rapier)

Every Tuesday
7:00 pm
Severn Christian Church
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Arts and Sciences

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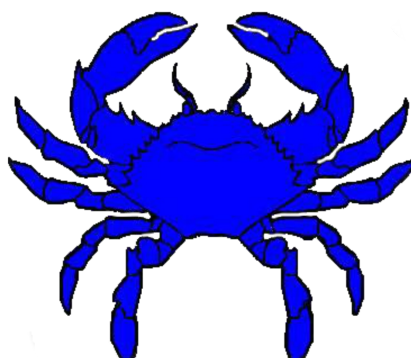
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Thank You!

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Words from Their Excellencies

We had a lovely time at Storvik novice and are super impressed with how many people from Lochmere were volunteering. Thanks to everyone who helped make a slightly damp event awesome especially for some newer folks. Also a shout out to some of our own novices who won tourneys in both Archery and Rapier. (Cause our barony rocks!)

We are looking forward to the thing on many people's minds this week PENNSIC!. We are both very excited as this will be our first at Pennsic as Baronage. We are looking forward to supporting as much of the Lochmere's populace as we can and trying to do ALL THE THINGS. Please reach out if there are cool things you are doing that we should know about!

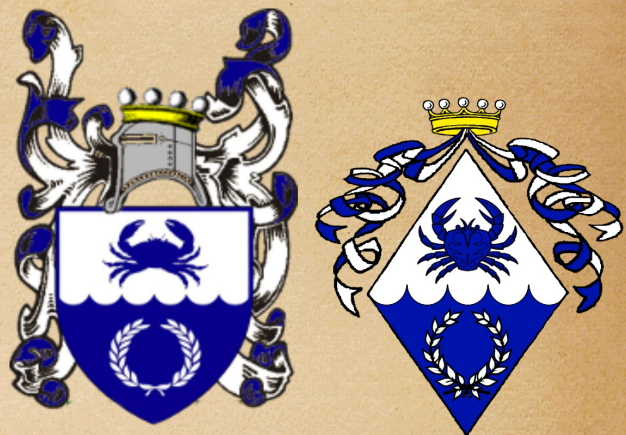
It will also be our first time camping together in Lochmere although we have been neighbors for a long time and our first time in a new to us tent. We really appreciate that we have such a well established Baronial camp to welcome us. I (Letia) am still coming off an injury so may be fighting a little less than normal, but still have so much to look forward to. We are looking at having a small court on Thursday as we know Atlantian court is on Wednesday.

There are still lots of things going on in the Barony as we continue to look past Pennsic to Battle on the Bay and beyond. We appreciate everyone for being mindful and continuing to plan the events that need attention as we head off to Pennsic.

Safe Journeys to all heading North!

See you during War Week!

Baroness Letia and Baron Linhart



POPULACE MEETING NOTES

(July 11th, 2022 - Virtual)

NOTE: THE AUGUST MEETING IS CANCELED DUE TO PENNSIC

Officer Reports

Chatelain: nothing to report, will have activities for both

Youth: Nothing going on at this time with more to come for both

Chronicler: Newsletters are going out on time but are still lacking in new content. Please consider contributing if you are interested in sharing your work with the populace.

Marshal: filled out the waiver report from April to June. In search of a replacement with Farthegn is the defacto deputy and can take over with no descent from the populace within 14 days. Practice continues. Ferndale practice on the 19th. Seneschal Notes: Rapier practice is going really well. Lochmere presented well at Novice.

Archery/TW: practices have gotten a bit smaller but still active and expanding.

Exchequer: The Exchequer was not present. Melchior read off the submitted report to the meeting.

Herald: Nothing new to report. Reports to Kingdom have been submitted

MoAS: Continuing to have activities at practice. Next week will have a dance activity working with Caterina Ravenshaw. Please let the MoAS know if you're interested in doing award scrolls.

MoL: Nothing to report.

Seneschal: Stepping down at Pennisc. Lady Marta is 'chomping at the bit' to step up. Report is late due to technical issues with the kingdom site.

Web: Farthegn is the new web minister and updates are underway. There are once again EXCESSIVE numbers of site subscribers. Working on the issue. Otherwise, nothing significant to report.

Excellencies: *puppers makes an appearance*. A Google form has been posted with regard to personal preferences with regards to court. Her Excellency would like to have Lochmere fight as a baronial unit for some war points. Potential to have a demo at the local JoAnn's in Columbia. Looking forward to seeing everyone at Pennsic!

Old Business:

- Any commentary on Lady Anne WRT the Exchequer position? None.

- No additional commentary on Lady Marta WRT the Seneschal? None. Based on that, she will be stepping up in September. Recommendation to keep September as virtual populace

meeting and will make a decision on future in-person meetings then.

- Deala would like to have a replacement as archery marshal. No takers at this point. Will continue to market the position.

- **BotB:** Progress continues to be made. Porta-jons ordered. Insurance requests submitted. Working on more fine grained details now. Question were raised about if there would be rebaited? Gallery? Sir Tosh is reaching out to all of the local steel groups. Linhart: potential have a buy in (extra lives/weapons choice) for all of the competitions.

- **Pennsic:**

o Known world baronial thrown weapons Tournament: Still don't know if it will be Tuesday or Wednesday. More information as that gets finalized. Would like to borrow the Baronial day shade to protect from the sun. Would like assistance with prizes and refreshments we're looking at \$100~. Support appreciated.

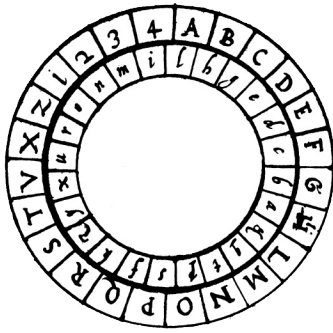
o Truck: loading will be here for pennsic at 10am on 28 JUL and there is a LOT of stuff that needs to go on that truck. Help is REALLY NEEDED! Then it goes to DD's house when it gets there. Notices will be posted to the FB and group list.

- Porta-jon for fighter practice cost around \$185

New Business:

- Katla has the feast gear and it needs a new home for. Proposes getting a paid storage unit. This is a matter that will be addressed in future Society/Kingdom meetings. Please consider this matter.





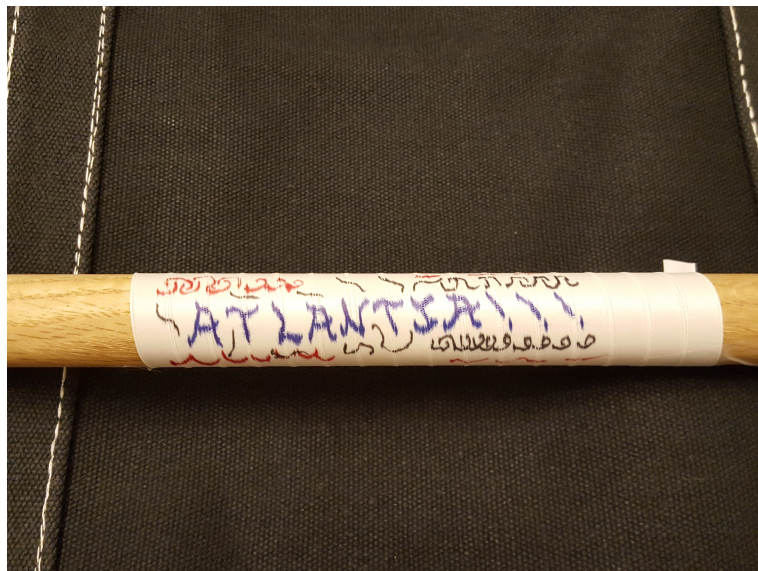
Welcome to the Crypto Corner

The Scytale (snake – pronounced ‘skittle’) is a device used to decode a message which has been ‘encoded’ using transposition. Transposition is an obfuscation technique which changes the order of elements of the ‘plain text’ message but does not actually alter the components themselves. For example: AITNALTA could be the implementation of a rudimentary transposition cipher

where the letters are transmitted in reverse. By reversing this process, you uncover the plaintext message: ATLANTIA. Dr. Kahn (1996) describes a wide variety of such systems in *The Codebreakers*, one of which is the scytale. Most, if not all, major works addressing the history or antiquity of cryptography reference the scytale. Porta, in particular, provides a simple but efficient description of the device as, paraphrasing, a cylinder of wood which a parchment is wrapped around, and a message written upon (see the image below). Once unwound from this cylinder the message is not recoverable unless the parchment is wrapped around a cylinder of the same diameter. Aeneas (450 B.C.E) describes several methods of concealing messages in clothing, a hem for example, or on common equipment such as a horse’s harness.

Given that the first recorded description of the scytale was by Archilochus the Greek, in the 7th century B.C.E., it is not unreasonable that these techniques may be combined so that you have both a clandestine mode of transport as well as an encoding system which would not stand out to the casual observer.

Merry Mathing Everyone!
Melchior zum grauen Wolf



Upcoming Events

August - 2022

08-20 - 08-20 : Nottingham Coill Baronial Picnic and A&S Day :Prosperity SC (Nottingham Coill)
08-26 - 08-28 : Sacred Stone Baronial Birthday 40 Year :Ellerbe NC (Sacred Stone)
08-27 - 08-27 : Skewered! 3 :Gaithersburg MD (Roxbury Mill)
08-27 - 08-27 : CANCELLED: Non-European Persona Workshop :Spartanburg, SC (Nottingham Coill)

September - 2022

09-02 - 09-04 : Emerald Hastilude :Lanexa VA (Tir-y-Don)
09-09 - 09-11 : Trial by Fire and Royal Archery :Glen Arm MD (Bright Hills) (Q K)
09-16 - 09-18 : Midnight at the Oasis :Apex NC (Nimenefeld) (Q K)
09-17 - 09-17 : Fall University :Mineral VA (Caer Mear) (Pr P)
09-23 - 09-25 : Battle on the Bay :Upper Marlboro MD (Lochmere)
09-24 - 09-24 : Tourney of Silver Chalice :Harleyville SC (Hidden Mountain) (Q K)
09-30 - 10-02 : Fall Coronation :Ashland VA (Caer Mear) (Q K Pr P)

October - 2022

10-08 - 10-08 : Stierbach XXIV Baronial Birthday Celebration : Charging of the Crimson Bull :Spotsylvania VA (Stierbach)
10-11 - 10-16 : War of the Wings XV :Boonville NC (Atlantia)
10-29 - 10-29 : Arts & Sciences Workshop :Spartanburg, SC (Nottingham Coill)



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