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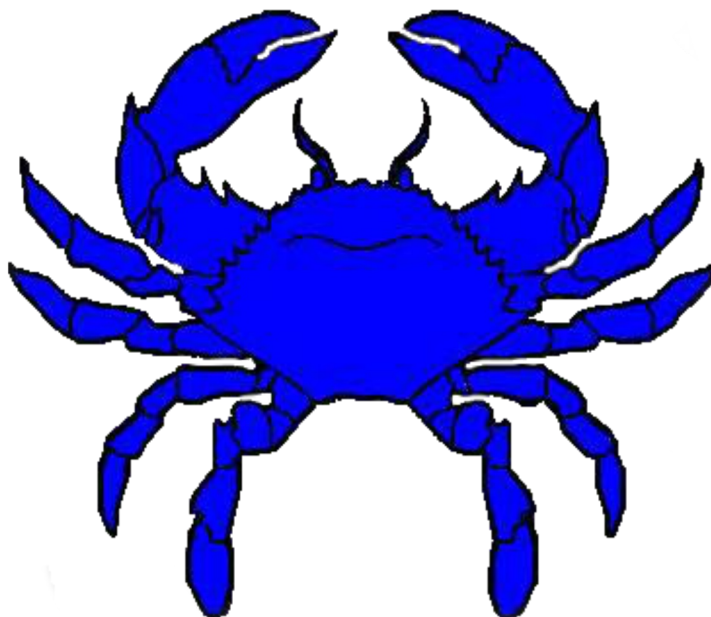
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If you are new to the Barony of Lochmere, these websites may be of help:

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Baronial Facebook Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/LochmereSCA>

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Kingdom of Atlantia Event Page: <https://www.atlantia.sca.org/events>

Kingdom of Atlantia Online Event Page: <https://virtual.atlantia.sca.org/calendar.php>

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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  
8132 New Cut Road ,  
Severn, MD 21144

### Arts and Sciences

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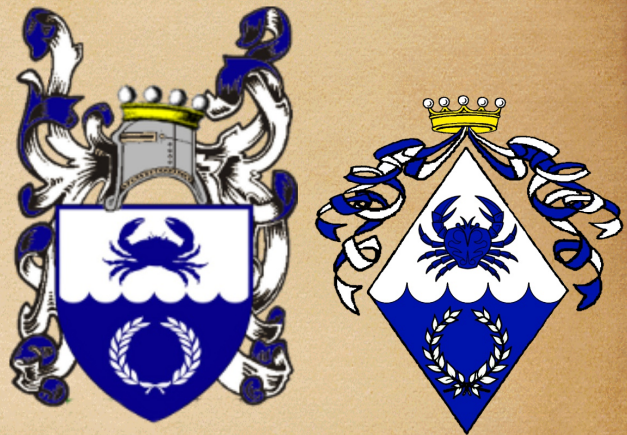


## *Words from Their Excellencies*

Greetings Lochmere,

Spring has sprung and we have finally been able to have our Night under a Fae Moon. This event has been a long time coming. It was even in the works before we stepped up as Baron and Baroness! Mistresses Medb and Avice really knocked it out of the park with the event. It was also amazing to finally have our first real in person Lochmere event as Baron and Baroness. Getting to see everyone's excitement was wonderful. We had 3 new champions step up as well. Blaze stepped up as our Rapier champion, Eilionora for A&S, and Mistress Cellach for Heavy fighting. Since we weren't able to award any last year, we decided to make up for lost time and induct two new members into the order of the silver tortoise. Mistress Medb and Lord Gabrell were easy choices and we were so happy to be able to include them in such an august order. Next month, I'll be attending Crown tourney (Her Excellency has to work) and I'm planning on setting up a baronial dayshade. Please reach out if you'd like space as I'm trying to decide how big of a tent we'll need. Her Excellency will also have to work during On Target, but I will be in attendance and I'm excited to see our archers and weapons throwers show their skills. Her Excellency and I will both be attending Highland River Melees as well. If you haven't heard, Lady Eilionora is now hosting a scriptorium every week at fighter practice. It's not just exclusive to the scribal arts. Anyone is welcome to come and work on their A&S projects or just come for the company. Lastly, if anyone is interested in becoming our baronial MoL or missile weapons marshal, please let either ourselves or Master Giacomo know.

-Baron Linhart and Baroness Letia



# Populace Meeting Notes

## OFFICER REPORTS

**Chatelaine:** nothing to report at this point. Email if needed.

**Marshal's:** having report every tues good progress. Several new practices. Discussion about selling loaner armor to replace it with one-size-fits-all

**Armored:** no news. Needs report submitted. Hopes to move back outside (end of April). Ryan, will be taking over as Knight marshal

**Archery:** practices started. Weather is iffy but GREAT turnout. Good stuff planned for NUTFM. Did receive new net for practices!

**Chronicler:** awaiting warrant

**Exchequer:** Balance is \$6638. Everything is now in the Sandy Springs bank needs and needs the new seneschal on checking account. Paid deposit for NUTFM and sent check to feastacrat

**Herald:** nothing new. The OP will be getting rid as the AKA for names but adding preferred titles and gender pronouns

**Moas:** having weekign a&s night and scriptorium with new people!

**Seneschal:** Emergency warrant was granted. Will be looking to train a replacement ASAP. Marta has volunteered.

**MoL:** The MoL has become unavailable and the position needs to be filled

**Web Minister:** updated to reflect Giacomo and Melchior in their new positions

**Minister of Youth:** nothing happening, Tatiana will be running activities for NUTFM

**Gold Key:** will be bringing specific sized items to Lochmart.

## OTHER NEWS

Their Excellencies have been to two events recently.

His Excellency was made a MoD at Defending the Gate!

His Excellency will be at On Target.

Their Excellencies will not be at Ruby Joust.

Coronation will have a lot of business!

Remeber that there will be no water bearing at Pennsic! Only "touchless" motion containers.

There are \$3 spike water bottles available

## EVENTS

Night Under The Fae Moon:

There is concern about feast registration. Request to drop the feast down from 80 will talk to Bryn

We will be accepting registration at gate

Please come out on Friday to help with setup and Sunday for take down

Please PROMOTE the event!

Reminder that there will be a Friday tavern.

Troll opens at 6 on Friday.

We have to be out of site by 10 on Sunday.

On Target:

Site closes at 8 on Sunday.

The event flyer has been updated.

There will be no lunch. Considering a bake sale or people can byob.  
There will be a pig-roast in the evening.

Discussion of Deputy Officers and Transition of officers

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

- There was a discussion about getting more kydex one-fit-all kits through selling old kit. We need to cycle the official inventory list for armor. We may need to be another vote on spending funds to acquire new items.
- There is a potential for a demo at Ferndale day & parade.
- Archery marshal is looking to step down and 'actively' accepting applications.
- We have waterbearing 'crab' equipment. We may sell off equipment at Lochmarnt. Moving to sell these items off but to hang onto the 5gal serving jugs.
- Announcement that excess armor would be made available at Lochmart.
- Motion rasised to restart having these meetings in person. Maybe Hybrid meetings.
- Edgar had to step away as Seneschal. Giacomo will be moving forward and Marta will be the deputy, assuming populace and excellence approval. Intent to pass along as a trained and warranted seneschal is READY.
- Marta is looking for a new moas and web minister. Elornia and Farthane have expressed interest in these positions.



## **A word on awards**

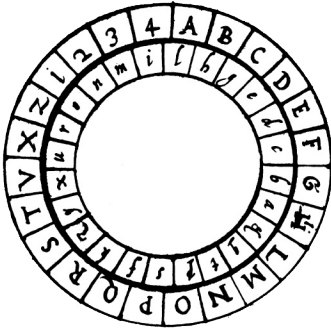
This month we're talking about The Order of the Eagle's Feather.

The Eagle's Feather is Lochmere's Baronial recognition of contribution to the arts and sciences. The first such recognition was given to Lady Roswitha of Suanesfeld at some point prior to 1998, but the details of that court have been lost to the ages.



Any member of the populace of the Barony may be considered for induction into the Order as it is given by the Baronage to "members of the barony who have achieved excellence in the arts and sciences." This could be for any individual effort to enrich the A&S offerings of the Barony, teaching, or collective good works.

As everyone should be aware, the Baronage are not omniscient and rely on the populace to make them aware of the good and worthy members of their Barony. If you know someone that you think may be deserving of this recognition, please double check the Atlantian OP to ensure that they have not already been recognized. If they have not, you may use the Electronic System for Polling (<https://polling.atlantia.sca.org>) to submit a recommendation.



This month we're talking about substitution ciphers!

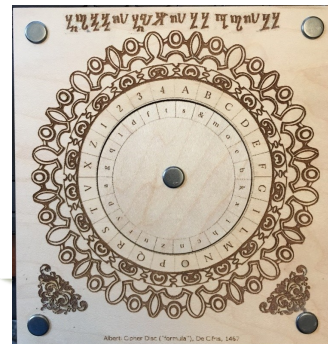
The process of encrypting by substitution may be aided by various devices. A = Z is sufficiently simple as to not require such assistance but more irregular character mappings or mappings that can change mid-stream such as the Alberti cypher is simplified by Alberti's discs. On the inner disc was a mark which could be lined up with a letter on the outer disc as a key, so that if you wanted to encrypt or decrypt a message you only needed to know the correct letter to match the mark to, likewise for decryption. To increase randomness the disc could be turned during an encryption so that a different alphabet is used periodically. This was an early instance of the polyalphabetic cipher, each letter can have different values.

## Welcome to the Crypto Corner

Cryptography with Melchior

One example of this would be to use a key word and index each letter of the plain text to each successive letter of the key: first letter is indexed to C, second to A, third to T, fourth to C... and so on. When encrypting an interval of rotation can be predetermined by those reading and writing the ciphertext, adding a shift based on the letters in a secret shared keyword.

Albrete (Di Cifres) describes these discs as being made from copper but other examples, such as Porta (1563) show the wheel/disc as what appears to be an engraved, presumably wooden, object. I have chosen to use engraving to make my discs due to access of materials and precision of the tools available.



## **Upcoming Lochmere Events**

### **05-21 - 05-21 : On Target : Annapolis MD**

The Barony of Lochmere once more invites archers to join their Barony at a scenic waterfront site in Annapolis, Maryland for a day of archery, an atlatl battle, good food and companionship. As always, the main event will be the challenging walk- through shoot. The path climbs through some rolling hillside but is not particularly steep. An extra effort is being made to incorporate a variety of missile weapons into the shoot. Whether you shoot or not, the Barony encourages you to come for the food, the socializing with old and new friends and the time to work on small A&S projects. Musicians and singers are welcome as well. If you are a newcomer to the SCA, this is a nice, low key, no pressure event to learn about archery and thrown weapons.

[https://atlantia.sca.org/event/?event\\_id=32a3417c](https://atlantia.sca.org/event/?event_id=32a3417c)

### **09-23 - 09-25 : Battle on the Bay : Upper Marlboro MD**

Information forthcoming.

### **01-28 - 01-28 : Henry's Holiday Huzzah! - Midwinter's : Lothian MD**

Henry, the eighth of his name has gathered his most trusted friends, advisors, and admirers to join him at court for a Holiday Celebration Huzzah! To indulge the Lion of England's pleasure, each of his wives will be in attendance. The women who stood by Henry's side will be stirred to revel in memories as the King's favorite and bear the sorrow of his fickle whim; recalling the gambles that shackled their fate. Games, competitions of arts and science, music, song, and knowledge will be shared. Partake of Henry's favorite sport, a tournament of joust. Invoking the spirit of chivalry and win renown while guiding a horse and a lance down the tilt and try to unhorse your opponent. Show your finest efforts and creativity and may your craft win the favor of the King himself. Trade baubles and treasures with those assembled to see who is the most clever and thrifty of Henry's guests. Fetch your instrument and warm your voice to make song. We request your musical talent to bring joy and harmony to the revel. In hopes to complete the day with a culinary jewel, a marvelous feast has been fashioned to quench the appetite of Henry himself. The days law shall be honored regarding the repast. Please join the Barony of Lochmere in a day full of fun and friendship in the court of Henry the VIII!

[https://atlantia.sca.org/event/?event\\_id=c68e164c](https://atlantia.sca.org/event/?event_id=c68e164c)

<https://katlaflokadottir.home.blog/henry-viii-holiday-huzzah/>

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