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Once, our Queen said to her King
From all Atlantia, should you bring
Me one as skilled in art as war
My heart will beam forevermore
For Queen and Kingdom ever serving
King Christoph found a man deserving
In Morburg town, a brought him hence
Full artful in cloth, wood and fence
The Queen's bright smile at once returned
For the coralbranch Lord Linhart eared
Done September Seventh, thus
fifty-fourth year Societatis
At Lochmere's Battle on the Bay
So does the Triton Herald say



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

Kingdom of Atlantia Homepage: <https://www.atlantia.sca.org>

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

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The Acorn, Atlantia's Official Newsletter: <https://www.acorn.atlantia.sca.org>

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chatelain@lochmere.atlantia.sca.org

LOCHMERE ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

Populace Meeting

Last Monday of every month
7:00 pm Via Google Meet or live at the Odenton
Library

Archery Practice

Every Thursday
Lord Ivan's Home
511 Chad Avenue, Severn, MD 21144

Fighter Practice (Heavy & Rapier)

Every Tuesday at 7:00 pm
Severn Christian Church
8132 New Cut Road ,
Severn, MD 21144

Arts and Sciences

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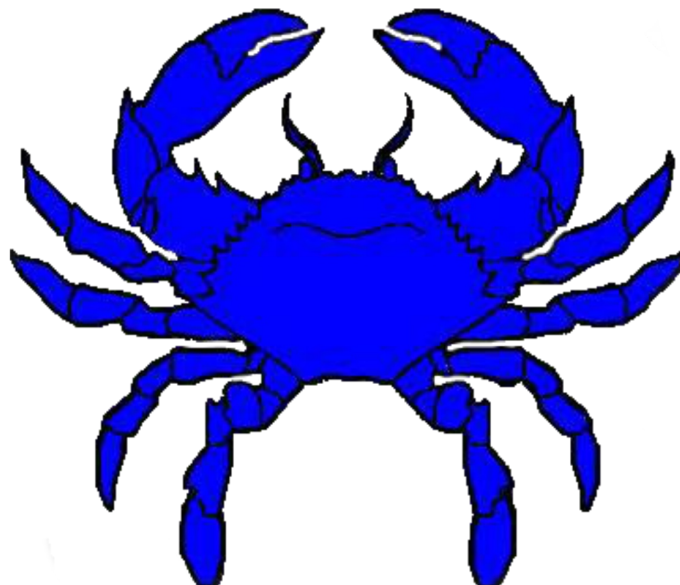
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Thank You!

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Words from Their Excellencies

Greetings, Lochmere,

We hope everyone has been having a relaxing holiday season. Her Excellency and I attended Unevent and just wanted to remind everyone to check with your local marshals or officers for any updates from the meetings. We'll be starting fighter practice back up next Tuesday, January seventh.

January also means our Midwinter's Revel: Lunar New Year event is around the corner. We're both looking forward to the new theme and the interesting feast format. We're hoping having the feast throughout the day will allow more people to participate. We'll also be having Her Excellency's holiday gift exchange at the event. Sadly, by the time you read this, sign ups for the exchange will have closed. If you're interested, let us know and we can tell you how to get involved for next year.

We also have On Target and Night on the Town coming up this spring. Volunteering at events is a great way to get involved and be a part of the community. Any help that you have to offer would be appreciated. We'd also like to encourage people to consider sending us award recommendations. If you've seen any of your fellow Lochmeri doing cool things, let Us know!

- Baron Linhart and Baroness Letia



From the Chronicler's Desk

Greetings, Lochmere,

A new year has dawned, and the rush of holidays is drawing to a close. As this month bears the name of Janus, the Roman diety who looks simultaneously to the past and to the future, it is only appropriate that we do likewise in this issue of the Dredgings.

Last year, I made it one of my goals to feature work by members or friends of our barony in each edition of the Dredgings. Baron Linhart, Baroness Letia, Baroness Sarra, Lady Eilionora, Lord Nicolo, Lady Iona, Lady Kara, Lord Bacon, and Lord Reginald graciously contributed photos, research, event recaps, and a letter for our readers. Master Kryss and Lord Amleth featured in cover photos. I would like to thank each and every person who helped to make the Dredgings great. My hope is that we can continue to grow the amount of content that we publish so that our barony truly will become a leader in sharing our work beyond our borders.

The growth of published content also featured during the Chronicler office hours at Unevent. During the meeting, we were reminded that our Society is an arts-and-sciences nonprofit, so we should be publishing educational materials in furtherance of that status in our newsletters when it is possible.

At some of the final events of the year, four of our barony received honors for their efforts. Their Majesties granted augmentations of arms to Mistress Talia and Baroness Sarra for their work as scribes for the recent crown tournament, with the augmentations reflecting the scribes' collective receipt of the Award of the Golden Elephant. Additionally, Their Excellencies of Stierbach named Dame Dealla a Companion of Saint Roch and bestowed upon Master Kryss an Award of the Silver Axe.

Beyond our barony, many others in Atlantia have achieved renown. Of special note are Their Majesties Randall and Iul'iana, who are serving their first reign on the Atlantian thrones, and Sir Joscelin, who became the first Atlantian to receive all four bestowed peerages. Mundanely, Master Jacques, who has been a mainstay at Lochmere practices, opened his own fencing school.

But with an end comes a beginning, and 2025 is now upon us. The Lochmere calendar begins with our Midwinter's Revel, for which my lady and I are serving as co-stewards. The Lunar New Year theme has been surprisingly popular, and we have been bombarded with messages of luck and support from throughout the region since last spring. The event will feature classes ranging from culture to art, competition, and a new twist on feast. There also will be a class for anyone who wishes to become a thrown weapons marshal. Lady Iona and I hope that you will join us for our first event as stewards and shake off the January blues with us.

Registration for Winter University is live and will close on January 30. The event will be entirely online and will feature a wide variety of classes across most disciplines found in the Society, with multiple Lochmeri giving their time to pass on their knowledge.

Spring will bring Night on the Town and On Target. Lady Eilionora has planned a German fair theme for Night on the Town, and she is looking for volunteers who can help bring the event to life. The event should be full of displays of martial prowess, fine art, and even finer fare, so keep an eye on the kingdom calendar.

On Target again will round out Lochmere's trio of early-year events. Lady Kara and Lord Randvithr have confirmed the event site and are preparing a challenging astrology-themed shoot. On Target is always a popular event, and archers of all skill levels are encouraged to attend.

That takes us through the first half of the upcoming year. There are plenty of opportunities to learn, participate, and help to make events and the barony run smoothly. Whatever your passion, Lochmere has a place for you and will stand with you as we all strive to make the Dream a reality. I look forward to working with you all. Be well, and be your best.

- Lord Godwin

Lochmere Business Meeting

12/16/2024

Officer Reports

- Baronage: Their Excellencies attended Unevent and will be attending Midwinter's Revel in January. Her Excellency has created a sign-up sheet online for the event's baronial gift exchange. Their Excellencies are speaking with Their Cousins in other baronies about the possibility of creating pilgrimage incentives to travel to other groups' events or participate in activities. Please reach out to Their Excellencies if you have ideas for these incentives.
- Seneschal: Lady Iona attended Unevent. Lady Iona sends her sincere thanks to Lady Marta for running the meeting in her absence.
- Exchequer: The baronial ledger has a balance of \$12,339.04, pending outstanding checks. Ragnailt is becomes deputy exchequer following a unanimous polling. Lord Reginald offers critical updates from Unevent. At least one paid member must be on gate duty at all times gate is open. Exchequers must submit the minutes from business meetings during which an event budget is approved when they submit the corresponding event report. There will be a gate class posted to the kingdom webpage soon. Nonmembers may not be comped for any reason; a site owner may visit the site during events to ensure proper use, but they may not wander the site or be close to combat without signing a waiver and having an escort. Groups that have had a site owner express concerns about proper site use on multiple occasions should look for a new event site.



Officer Reports, Continued

- MOAS: Lady Ava attended Unevent, as Lady Eilionora was unavailable. Their majesties will be selecting their A&S champion at Twelfth Night. The Champion will need to attend Gulf Wars and compete as champion. Lady Eilionora attended a practice/A&S night with one other artisan. Raghnaill submitted topics for A&S classes. Please reach out to Lady Eilionora if you would like to teach a class or to request a class. Lady Eilionora is working to schedule monthly A&S days. Please submit updates on A&S projects you have worked on since October for the January 15 report. At Crown Torunament, Their Majesties expressed a desire to thank all scribes who have completed kingdom-level scrolls in recent years. Please reach out to Their Excellencies if you have done so, so Their Majesties can thank you properly.
- Webminister: Lord Fartheign is working through a number of website-related tasks. The Kingdom is ready to migrate Lochmere to Google Spaces. Lord Fartheign will begin the migration once he gets email addresses forwarded to the new officers. The migration to Google Spaces will pause access to the officer email aliases for 48 hours. Lord Fartheign will ask how this will affect emails sent during that time. The society is working on an AI policy, with the support of the kingdom webminister. Until the policy is published, AI-generated content should not be published on SCA websites. A new policy is in effect that requires anyone who has the ability to edit an SCA website to be a warranted webminister. Following a unanimous polling, Lord Godwin becomes a deputy webminister for the purpose of uploading the baronial newsletter.
- Herald: Not present
- Knight Marshal: Not present
- Missile: Not present
- Chronicler: Lord Godwin published the December issue of the Dredgings, which featured an article and photographs from Lady Eilionora of a bag she knit. Please submit content for the January issue and reach out to Lord Godwin if you would like to donate books to the baronial library.
- Chatelaine: We have had new attendees at practices. Lord Bacon made contact with them and introduced them to officers relevant to their interests.
- Youth Chancellor: The position is vacant.

Event updates

- Midwinter's Revel: Final preparations are in progress, with the most notable being decorations and obtaining a liquor license. Please sign up to attend the event and partake in the day boards. Sign-up links are live on the website.
- Night on the Town: Lady Eilionora has an upcoming site walkthrough. She will submit the event budget for approval at the January meeting. Staff is needed for all positions other than head cook, rapier marshal, and A&S coordinator. Please reach out to Lady Eilionora at daughterofthebard@gmail.com if you would like to serve on event staff.
- On Target: Site has been confirmed for May 31, and the event has been SPIKEd.
- Library Demos: Odenton and Severn wish us to host demos next year. The barony is seeking coordinators for these demos.
- Battle on the Bay: Site has been confirmed.

Other Business

- Their Excellencies have received an email from a teacher asking if anyone would be interested in giving a talk about what it means to be a knight. Please reach out to Their Excellencies if you are interested.
- There are a number of updates to MOL forms. These updates include adding home group and non-Academie fencing awards to the Rapier Sign-in Sheet and adding horse names to the Equestrian Sign-in Sheet, among others. There also are new, unofficial forms for aiding MOLs and MICs in completing event reports. Youth forms will be updated in 2025. The kingdom is going to get new adult and youth authorization forms printed, but old ones can still be used in the interim, so long as necessary information appears on them.
- Winter University will be held online on February 1-2. Registration will be open January 3-30. The class schedule is live.

Next meeting: January 27, 7:00, at the Maryland City Library

Open Officer Positions

- Historian: A deputy chronicler who assists the baronial chronicler by compiling and publishing the history of the barony.
- Minister of the Lists: The officer responsible for organizing and administering martial tournaments and authorizations.
- Chancellor of Youth Activities: The officer who organizes activities focused on the youth of the society.
- Rapier Marshal: The officer responsible for the promotion and practice of fencing within the barony.

Upcoming Events

January - 2025

- 01-11 - 01-11 : Twelfth Night: Newport News (Atlantia)
01-17 - 01-19 : Nottingham Baronial Birthday XLV: Bennettsville SC (Nottingham Coill)
01-17 - 01-19 : Raven's Cove Baronial Birthday & Investiture - A Yuletide Celebration: Richlands NC (Raven's Cove)
01-18 - 01-18 : Highland Hearthglow: Thurmont MD (Highland Foorde)
01-25 - 01-25 : Midwinter's Revel - Lunar New Year: Lothian MD (Lochmere)
01-25 - 01-25 : Tourney of Manannan Mac Lir XLIII: Harleyville SC (Tear-Sea's Shore)
01-25 - 01-25 : Ice Castles/Barony of Black Diamond Investiture: Lynchburg VA (Black Diamond)

February - 2025

- 02-01 - 02-02 : University of Atlantia (Atlantia)
02-08 - 02-08 : Bright Hills Baronial Birthday: Manchester MD (Bright Hills)
02-08 - 02-08 : Sir Walter Raleigh Costume Ball III: Durham NC (Buckston-on-Eno)
02-15 - 02-15 : Celebration - Babur: Ashland VA (Caer Mear)
02-15 - 02-15 : AEdult Swim (Aethelmearc)
02-21 - 02-23 : Ymir 50: Ellerbe NC (Windmaster's Hill)

March - 2025

- 03-01 - 03-01 : Kingdom Arts and Sciences Festival: Raleigh NC (Elvegast)
03-08 - 03-16 : Gulf Wars XXXIII (Gleann Abhann)
03-22 - 03-22 : Ponte Alto Baronial Birthday Bloodbath: Vienna VA (Ponte Alto)
03-28 - 03-30 : Hidden Mountain Baronial Birthday: Bennettsville SC (Hidden Mountain)
03-29 - 03-29 : Defending the Gate: Spotsylvania VA (Sudentorre)



You can find the full Atlantian calender at
<https://atlantia.sca.org/events>

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Equestrian: Lady Aine d'Alton