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The Barony of Stromgard Newsletter

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# LETTER FROM THE BARON AND BARONESS

Greetings Barony of Stromgard!

We hope that everyone is healthy and safe during this time of plague.

As many of you may have already heard, all in person SCA events have been canceled until January 31st 2021. This means that our next official event will be Founding Revel, which will be held at the end of February.

Times like this are hard on everyone, so we would encourage you to reach out to others during this time of isolation. An email, private In Service message, or phone call can really help to lift someone's spirits.

Please continue to post pictures of the art

you are working on, or the hikes you are going on, or home improvements projects you are doing. Please post pictures of your pets. These sorts of things bring joy, happiness, and inspiration to everyone that sees them.

We will all get through this, if we do the little things that help make others happy, and in doing so bring happiness to ourselves.

Until next month Stromgard.

**Baron Duncan Baroness Moira** 

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# **Officers Reports**

<u>Seneschal</u>: Ronan present—Written report

Nothing to report

**Exchequer:** Everild present. Written report.

The bank reconciliation is in the files section of the website. Nothing else to report.

Respectfully Submitted, Everild Bayte Stromgard Baronial Exchequer

<u>Chamberlain:</u> Alexander absent, written report

Nothing to report this month.

Although look for next month ( or possibly month after) for new and exciting updates that may possibly take you breath away.

Please note actual humans, not to be confused with fake ones, its very unhealthy to take their breath away. This can possibly cause serious health issues, please make sure to breath BEFORE you see this exciting update.

<u>Arts and Science:</u> Hevli present, written report

Nothing to report

<u>Herald:</u> Yin Yun present, written report

Greetings to the populace and their excellencies. This last month has been a bit busy. With multiple badges, and new guest on Heraldry Chat! Which has been a wonderful change. Quarterly report was turned in a bit late due to health. Otherwise I have nothing further to report.

Yours in service. Yin Yun 陰雲

<u>Scribe:</u> Tatiiana present. verbal report

Nothing to Report

<u>Chatelaine:</u> Dagmar absent, written report

Nothing to Report

**Family Activities:** Office open

<u>Chronicler:</u> Ragna present, written report

Greetings to the populace and their excellencies. After some challenges with technical difficulties I was able to get the Siren uploaded on August 8<sup>th</sup>. I also got my quarterly report in. nothing further to report YIS

Ragna In Valska

<u>Social Media:</u> Penelope absent, written report

Nothing to Report

<u>Demo Coordinator</u> Dagmar absent —

Nothing to Report

**Gold Key:** Kata absent , written report

Nothing to report

**Web Minister:** Helvi present, written report

Nothing to report

<u>Knight Marshal</u>: Elrin, absent — written report. fight practice report provided by Duncan

Nothing to report

<u>Rapier Marshal:</u> Chris present written report

Nothing to report.

<u>Archery Marshal:</u> Feradach absent—written report.

Nothing to report

Thrown Weapons Marshall: Matthias absent, written report

To there excellence and the great barony of Stomgard . Nothing to Report ... And it Stinks ...

<u>Cut and Thrust</u> Refskegg absent written report

Nothing to report Stay safe Refskegg

<u>Seargentry</u> Constance & fenris absent—written report

Nothing to report

<u>Lists</u> Rostislav absent , written report

Nothing to report

# **Event Reports**

#### **Founding Revel**

Nothing to report

#### <u>Ithrapalooza</u>

Nothing to report

#### **Yule 2020**

Nothing to report

#### Stormgod 2021

Nothing to report

#### **Old Business**

No old business was discussed

#### **New Business**

<u>Inventory equestrian equipment</u>— the Champion dropped off all the equestrian equipment, before her move to Texas, with the Baron. It needs to be inventoried.

<u>Game night</u> — can do a games from you don't know jack easy to download the app on the phone and have up to like 8 players. Peter Bates will be working on trying to organize something online.

<u>Online jeopardy</u> — The Baron has worked out the details for an online game. First subject is planned for Disney but we can change to more SCA like subjects in the future

<u>Scrolls</u> — There was question about how scrolls are coming along and if there was community interest in helping come up with both charters and painting charters. Helvi showed some of the designs she is working on for Baron and Baroness specific awards. Her Excellency said if there is a specific award that speaks to you please go ahead and come up with something and let the baron and baroness know.

#### **Announcements**

No Announcements were made

#### Attendance

Duncan Vitrarius, Moira Ramsay, Ronan Mac An Leagha, Everild, Helvi, Ragna In Valska, Yin Yun, AElfwynn Fiske, Donatella, Furia, Peter Bates, Merritt, Tatiiana, Viscountess Alina

# SOME THINGS OUR COMMUNITY AND OTHERS ARE DOING ONLINE IN THESE DIFFICULT TIMES

Here are some links to different online activities and challenges being offered while we are social distancing and keeping everyone safe

#### **An Tir Video Challenge**

Artisans and Scientists of An Tir! We need your classes and demos for the An Tir YouTube Channel!! Rules: 1. No obscenity. 2. No denigrating remarks about yourself or anyone else. 3. The topic must be appropriate for the SCA. If it is something you would teach or demonstrate at an event or SCA social, it's a good topic

For more information go to <a href="https://www.antir.org/announcements/an-tir-video-challenge/?">https://www.antir.org/announcements/an-tir-video-challenge/?</a><a href="https://www.antir.org/announcements/an-tir-video-challenge/?">https://www.antir.org/announcements/an-tir-video-challenge/?</a><a href="https://www.antir.org/announcements/an-tir-video-challenge/?">https://www.antir.org/announcements/an-tir-video-challenge/?</a><a href="https://www.antir.org/announcements/an-tir-video-challenge/?">https://www.antir.org/announcements/an-tir-video-challenge/?</a><a href="https://www.antir.org/announcements/an-tir-video-challenge/?">https://www.antir.org/announcements/an-tir-video-challenge/?</a><a href="https://www.antir.org/announcements/an-tir-video-challenge/?">https://www.antir.org/announcements/an-tir-video-challenge/?</a><a href="https://www.antir.org/announcements/an-tir-video-challenge/">https://www.antir.org/announcements/an-tir-video-challenge/?</a><a href="https://www.antir.org/announcements/an-tir-video-challenge/">https://www.antir.org/announcements/an-tir-video-challenge/</a><a href="https://www.antir.org/announcements/">https://www.antir.org/announcements/</a><a href="https://www.antir.org/announcements/">https://www.antir.org/ann

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#### **Virtual An Tir**

Virtual An Tir Facebook Group <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/VirtualAnTir/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/VirtualAnTir/</a>

#### **Resources during Coronavirus isolation**

The Coronavirus is going to be with us for a while and since we're practicing social distancing for all the right reasons, here are some resources for eating, staying entertained and some ways to hang on to some zen. **Everything listed is a free resource unless specifically listed otherwise.** <a href="https://quirkylenses.com/2020/03/16/isolation-entertainment-and-some-practical-matters/">https://quirkylenses.com/2020/03/16/isolation-entertainment-and-some-practical-matters/</a>

#### **JSTOR**

During this time of distancing JSTOR has opened it site to everyone who wishes to do research instead of only college students. This is an academic library of academic journals, books and primary sources. A rich source of information. <a href="https://www.jstor.org/">https://www.jstor.org/</a>

# **Awards of The Barony of Stromgard**

# Orders and Honors

# Potissimus Hippocampus

(Stromgard's highest Honor)

Awarded for extraordinary service to the Barony, continued involvement, encouraging others in their pursuits, epitomizing the aims of the society, and being the ideal to which all should strive. This is also a polling order of the group.

Granted a maximum of once per year.

The badge for this honor is: (Fieldless) A seahorse within and conjoined to an annulet engrailed on the inner edge argent.

#### Noble Company of the Swan

The Noble Company of The Swan recognizes those individuals who show true courtesy and grace in their everyday actions and behavior. This award is given in consultation with the members of the company.

#### Ullr of Lore

The Ullr of Lore recognizes those individuals who show excellence in persona development.

#### Eldhus

The Eldhus recognizes those individuals whom maintain a period encampment.

The token is traditionally a carved stone.

# <u>Service</u>

#### The Order of the Bell and Chain

The entry level service award for the Barony. The badge of this order is: (Fieldless) A chain in chevron inverted conjoined in pale with a hawk's bell Or.

#### Ordo Famuli

Granted to those who show outstanding service to the Barony over many years. A higher award than the Bell and Chain. The badge of this order is: (Fieldless) A pair of hands appaumy wrists outwards maintaining between them a roundel argent.

# The Stromgard Sand Dollar

Granted to citizens aged 13 - 18 who show maturity beyond their years and show continued exemplary service to Stromgard.

The badge of this award is a silver sand dollar pendant representing the future wealth of the Barony.

#### The Silver Sea Star

Granted to those gentles residing outside of the boundaries of Stromgard who have consistently helped Stromgard.

The badge of this award is: (Fieldless) An estoile within and conjoined to an annulet engrailed on the inner edge argent.

#### The Order of the Silver Sea Urchin

Granted to citizens under 12 years of age that serve the Barony.

The badge of this order is: (Fieldless) A sea urchin contourny argent.

#### The O'brich

Granted to those individuals who overcome or solve the biggest problem at an event.

The badge is traditionally a heavy silver-colored chain.

# Arts & Sciences

#### Amicus Musarum

Granted to those that encourage involvement in and personally excel in the arts and sciences.

The badge of this award is: (Fieldless) A gem ring argent gemmed gules.

# Favors of the Coronet

#### Honor of the Seamar -

(The Baroness' Favor)
The badge of this award is: (Fieldless)
A quatrefoil saltirewise slipped Or.

#### Baron's Favor

A token as chosen by the granting Baron.

## The Bunchberry

Awarded at the discretion of the Coronet to those who foster a sense of community within and outside Stromgard

## Dragon's Gate

Awarded at the discretion of the Coronet to those who, in the eyes of the Coronet, have transformed in some way.

Principal of this recognition is Erik Daegarsson.

## Shield Bearers of Stromgard

Given to those individuals that have aided the Barony in times of war

Principal of this recognition is Susanna Herst

If you know someone who is deserving of any of these recognitions, contact the Baron and Baroness with your recommendations.

#### **Upcoming Events**

(an attempt at period costume/garment is expected. If you don't have garb, inquire about Gold Key)

# Due to COVID-19 All in person events and activities are cancelled until January 31, 2021. Please watch the Facebook page for virtual events and fun

To find out more information about the above events and many others happening throughout the Kingdom, go to http://www.antir.org/events/

#### Activities in the Barony of Stromgard – strictly virtual until May 10th

(period costume/garment is not expected during monthly activities and all are welcome)

**Monthly Baronial Council Meeting**— Due to Covid-19 meetings are being held virtually. Please watch the book of faces for details. *For questions or to confirm activity, contact*: John paul (Ronan Mac an Leagha )at Stromgard.seneschal@gmail.com — 503-929-9435

**Stromgard Fighter Practice** — Thursdays at 7:00 pm at private residence – 5111 NE 125th St Vancouver 98686. For questions or to confirm activity, contact: stromgard.marshal@antir.org or <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/256143011097207/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/256143011097207/</a> for Armored fighting

Rapier Practice — First and third Saturdays of each month. Look for a facebook event for location and time. For questions or to confirm activity, contact: Chris Perkins stromgard.rapier@antir.org or https://www.facebook.com/groups/696161364096256/

**Archery Practice** — On Hiatus for the winter. *For questions or to* confirm *activity,* contact Feradach (Vern Myers) at stromgard.archery@antir.com or <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/542609719249948">https://www.facebook.com/groups/542609719249948</a>

**Thrown Weapons Practice** — Thursdays at 6:00 PM in Orchards area. Contact Matthias von Schwarzenberg (Bud Clark) at harlenclark64@gmail.com or private message Bud Clark on Facebook for location address. Check on https://www.facebook.com/groups/542609719249948/ for updates or to confirm activity.

Arts and Science Nights – Tentatively on First and Third Tuesdays – 6:00-9:00 PM Opportunity to work on Arts and Science projects. Private residence – 10712 NE 44<sup>th</sup> Street, Vancouver, WA. *To confirm activity or ask any questions*, contact Helvi (Robin) at stromgard.artsnsci@antir.org

**Fighter Workshop** – Saturdays depending on events and James' scheduled – Please RSVP Open shop designed to help get and keep fighters in armor For questions and on-going schedule – https://www.facebook.com/groups/364327937033071

**Stromgard Cookery** – Fourth Wednesdays – 6:30-9:00 PM. Opportunity to learn and cook medieval foods. For location, questions or to confirm activity - <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/170931156876890">https://www.facebook.com/groups/170931156876890</a>

**Music/Scribal night**— First Wednesday of the month - 7:00 -9:00 PM . Private Residence - 5609 NE 42nd Ave, Vancouver, WA 98661 For questions or to confirm activity, contact Khanzara (Jennifer) at 360-448-7409

#### Curia — Baronial Officers

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Carol Hornby — stromgard.exchequer@antir.org

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Chamberlain - Alexander Son of Gray

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Stephanie Warren—stromgard.demo@antir.org — (951) 333-1880

Gold Key (Loaner Garments) - Kata of House Bread

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The following offices are currently open or seeking replacement:

- Equestrian Marshal
- Youth Marshal
- Youth and Family Activities Coordinator
- Demo Coordinator

Any currently filled office that you are interested in always need deputies.

If interested in an office, come to baronial council or talk to the seneschal

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