

# "The Raven's Cry"



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# From Their Excellencies

Greetings unto our wonderful Populace and survivors of War!

The harvest has come in and following the recent skirmish in our Kingdom, peace has once again settled across our beautiful lands. All is well in our beloved Cove.

War of the Wings, although more spread out than it has been in recent years still did not disappoint. We ended up fighting on the side of the West and in the end, we were triumphant! The horn of victory was blown by Graf Dietrich and we all resumed the role of being friends. We had a small attendance at our Hafla on Saturday evening but we believe it was due to all the fighting and many were just simply worn out from the rigorous fighting schedule. Many thanks to all that made the Hafla possible.

As for our encampment, we had very few, if any, hiccups. Everyone chipped in and helped where needed, to include set up and packdown. We achieved it all in record time and lived up to our standard of getting the job done very quickly, with very few. We are small but we are mighty!

We held a small Baronial Court on Saturday Evening and gave out awards. Some were not present to receive the awards but we will catch up with them very soon. We have new champions! Lord Juan de Rojo is our new Baronial Archery Champion, Lord Robert (insert multiple names here) Carswell is our new Baronial Rapier Champion and Lord Vlfbeorn Aelfweardes sunu is our new Baronial Armored Champion. I am certain that they shall take their new roles seriously and make our Barony proud!

Sadly, our wonderful court on Saturday was interrupted by our cousins to the West, Hawkwood. They sent an emissary into our camp, bringing a wonderful gift of a Raven Candlestick. However, soon, the tides turned and they presented to Us a Raven that had been struck through the middle with one of their own arrows. We, being the generous people we are, kindly served them succulent "small birds of unknown kind" and asked that our cousins dine on our behalf on the goodness that was prepared by Lord Rodrigo. Later, we were told that they thoroughly enjoyed their meal. And His Excellency and I were very glad. It appears, dear Ravens, that our cousins to the West desire a confrontation of sorts and We are sure that this is not the last we shall hear from them.

We hope that all who attended War of the Wings had a wonderful time; those that were not present were sorely missed.

Crown Tournament is upon us this coming weekend and soon we shall have heirs! Baron Lochlainn will be traveling to the North to fight for me and I am sure that he will fight with great honor and prowess. Please join me in wishing Him the best of luck.

That is all for now from Us. May you all remain warm by your fires, safe in your travels and may life treat you all well as we journey on in our own paths.

Long live The Dream!  
Baroness Edan



# from the Seneschal

Greetings to the Grand Conspiracy of Ravens!

I hope this missive finds you all well and recovering from the War, at which a good time was had by all. While our camp may not have been quite as big this year as in past years, we were all very busy. Her Excellency was busy tending to Their Majesties and we as a camp had the pleasure of hosting Their Majesties Aethelmearc, along with several citizens of that kingdom. Everybody from Aethelmearc who spoke to me was very grateful and enjoyed our camp a great deal. Their Excellencies held a court in which they announced their champions for the year and bestowed awards on several individuals. Congratulations to Lord Ian the Ranger for a well-deserved Opal from Their Majesties' Royal Court, as well as to Lord Robert Carswell (of the many names), the new Rapier Champion and Lord Juan de Rojo, the new Archery Champion and to Baroness Olwen on her receipt of the Black Compass Rose. As camp steward, I wish to thank all who pitched in on the meal plan and making sure our camp ran well, especially the Swanson clan. While we do not see these good gentles often, they definitely make their presence in the Barony known at War of the Wings.

Our next populace meeting will be on November 19 at 1:30 pm at the Main Branch of the Onslow County Library, 58 Doris Ave. E, Jacksonville, NC 28540. Please be prompt because we have a lot to cover and a limited time in which to discuss everything. Please bring proof of membership (blue card, print out from SCA.org, etc.) because we will be taking a vote of paid members for our proposed expansion into Duplin and Lenoir counties. We will also be discussing the position of Baronial Minister of Arts & Science as Lord Ian will be stepping down. We will also be discussing our upcoming events: University at James Sprunt Community College on February 3, 2018, with Lady Alexandria as the autocrat, and Coastal Raids at Cypress Creek Community Center on April 14-15, 2018.

In Service,

Vlf



# From the Chatelain

From the office of the Chatelain,

The summer tournament season is coming to an end and we can start thinking about staying inside for the winter months. We can use that time to get some classes in so I ask you now: what would you like to see covered? Here are some ideas:

- SCA 101 – basic overview of what the SCA is about
- FAQ - Frequently Asked Questions – kind of a open discussion that allows you to ask whatever you want
- Garb and Garb issues – Do you want to know what your persona might have worn?
- Let's talk about it – Do you have questions on how things are done in the SCA?
- How do I.... ? Cook a feast? Run an event? Learn to fight? Work at troll? Be a retainer? Anything

These are just some ideas but you can ask for others. Also, do you have a friend that might be interested in our game? Bring them to one of our classes and we will do our best to give them the info they need to get started.

Please help the barony to grow. It is always better with more people involved!

Yours in Service

Mistress Katharine de la Vache, OP



## From the Ministry of Arts & Sciences

Greetings Ravens!

I trust everyone had a good time at War of the Wings. Those who could not attend were missed. Lots of great classes happened at WotW and I hope that you all were able to take at least one class or sit in on a solar. If you did, please consider sharing what you learned at a Baronial A&S night.

Also at WotW our own Minister of Arts and Science, Ian the Ranger, was awarded an Opal for his service to the Kingdom in Arts and Sciences and equestrian pursuits. Many congratulations to Lord Ian. In speaking with him recently, he stated that he would be stepping down as our MoAS. He wishes to thank the Barony for allowing him to serve as MoAS, declaring it a wonderful office, and he also thanks the members of the Barony for sharing with him the various arts and sciences they enjoy. The office is currently open, and anyone wishing to be considered for the position should contact our Seneschal.

There is not an A&S night currently scheduled for November, and given the Thanksgiving holiday, we may skip November and schedule something for December. Please let me know if you are interested in learning about something or interested in teaching something.

Yr eiddoch yn gywir,

Baroness Olwen  
Deputy MoAS



## From the Herald

Greetings Ravens!

We have had one name pass recently! Congratulations to Lady Alexadria Magdalena de Luce! We have several other submissions either in commentary or being resubmitted. Please let me know if you need anything.

YIS

Rhiannon



## From the Chronicler

Flock together ye Raven's of the Cove and hear me! I will give you tales of bravery, beauty, fire and War but, only with your help! Stories, I need and pictures for all to see. Those tales of great knights and their ladies, warrior maidens and their foes, they can all be heard here in "The Raven's Cry". I will retell them ALL!! Give them to me and share them with the Known World for all to hear! Simply send them to my email, tell me by ear, or write it on scrap parchment.

Always In Your Service,

Lothian ap Lyonesse



# Who Does What? Exploring the Regnum Part I

By Halford Vlfbeorn Ælfweardes sunu

Sometimes when we first step into this Dream, we are met with a foreign language that we don't always understand, and we meet people who may have certain roles and responsibilities, but we don't know exactly what those are. In many ways, it's like seeing a sporting event for the first time – you don't know who the players are and what their jobs are, let alone the rules and terminology of the game. Not knowing makes it hard to follow, understand, and enjoy the game. Let this act as a small primer and introduction to our local group. Two terms that you might run across are “Baronage” and “Regnum”. The Baronage are those who the Crown has invested a special trust to watch over a portion of Their Majesties' lands. The Regnum is a published list of officers in a given area. With this understanding, the Baronage is there to help make the Dream come alive, whereas the Regnum acts as the machinery behind it to make that Dream run smoothly. The Baron and Baroness act as the voice of the Crown as well as the eyes and ears of the Crown. They represent the Crown to the people of the Barony and the people of the Barony to the Crown. The Regnum is a little more complicated, as each officer has their own area of responsibility. First you have the Seneschal. This is the person who is ultimately responsible for the group as a whole. This office is one of the 3 offices required by Society law (Corpora) for each group, regardless of size. They are responsible for seeing that the group stays within the legal bounds of mundane, Society and Kingdom law. They act in the capacity of the group decision maker and mediator. Should issues arise among members of the Barony, to include other officers and the Baronage, which cannot be reasonably resolved by the parties, it falls to the Seneschal to make the peace. They are also responsible for the autocrats of the events held in the Barony, with the authority to sign contracts on behalf of the Barony.

Next month we will discuss the Chancellor of the Exchequer and the Chronicler.



**Barony of Raven's Cove**



**Baronial Populace Meeting**

**November 19, 2017 at 1:30pm**

**Main Branch of the Onslow Co. Library**

**58 Doris Avenue E**

**Jacksonville, NC 28540**

**Please be prompt and bring your  
proof of Membership with you**



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Pictures!



from Ursus and others



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