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From the Baron and Baroness

Ravens,

What His Excellency and I deem as the "event season" is officially upon us and we are hitting the ground running. With regard to Baronial Birthday, thank you to the small group of people that set up, worked at feast and helped tear down. Although many hands make light work, the few hands we had worked very well together and everything ran smoothly, getting things done in a short amount of time. We had much laughter and fellowship for our birthday, along with Lord Ulf getting his Opal, young Gavin getting a Sea Monkey for perseverance shown on the archery field at the Arthurian Deed, Alexandria getting my Award of Courtesy for her great work in our barony and Liam not only was given a St. Clements Cross for his work as webminister (among other things) but on a whim, as they often do, Their Majesties saw fit to award him his AoA! We are very proud parents. I don't think there was a dry eye behind the thrones when that happened. We also gave Baroness Ingegerd of Cathanar an Opal with permission from Their Majesties, for various acts of service to not only her group but to the kingdom. Lord Cian, Triton Herald, was given the Golden Heart of Raven's Cove for all the times he has helped us in archery for our events, among all the other wonderful things he continues to do for our group. All in all, it was a wondrous day. Happy tears were shed and cheers resounded in the hall. The fighting was well enjoyed by many, everyone talked with great excitement and humor about the scenarios. If you were not there, you missed out on fighting that was entertaining and met with boisterous laughter from many! The rain did NOT dampen our spirits at all.

Queens Rapier tournament will be our next hosting event, held in Greenville. Please, if you can, come out and help support that event.

We have many events that we will be attending and as always, we hope to be accompanied by our Ravens. Please monitor all aspects of communication so that you remain aware of what is going on.

In Service,

Baroness Edan and Baron Lochlainn



From the Seneschal

Greetings unto the Grand Conspiracy of Ravens!!

It is my hope that this missive finds you all well and dryer than things were of recent. While the weather was a bit of an issue, it did not stop our Cove from hosting a fabulous event that was enjoyed by all who attended. I would like to start by thanking Lady Rhiannon for the work and effort she put into an event that grew well beyond the original expectations. I would also like to thank Mistress Katherine for providing a wonderful feast (and yes, the Spam was wonderful). Additionally, as a fighter, I would like to thank His Excellency Baron Lochlainn for the great fighting scenarios and the ability to adapt on the fly for the fighting community that was present. And congratulations to Var Grimsson who authorized that day. It did please both Their Majesties and Their Excellencies to hold court twice during the event and there was a great deal of business handled within them. While I am not going to try and capture the actual court reports, I do want to recognize some of our own. Congratulations to Lord Liam, the newest member of nobility in Raven's Cove, who was also the recipient of the St. Clement's Cross. Another of our youth who was recognized was Gavin, who received the Sea Monkey. Her Excellency was minded to give lady Alexandria the Baroness' Award of Courtesy and Lord Cian received the Golden Heart of Raven's Cove. Though he was not able to be present, Lord Lothian was also recognized for his service, but I will say no more of that and leave that to Their Excellencies. If I've missed anyone, it is only because my memory fails me at this time, but Raven's Cove was well recognized for the efforts of all of its members. Our friends in Cathanar to the north and Seareach to the south were well recognized at our event as well.

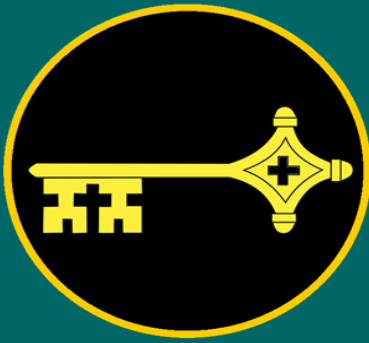
With Queen's Rapier fast approaching, we need to ensure that all of our events present Raven's Cove in a good light. With that said, help is still needed to run this event. We want all of our Ravens to come out and enjoy events, but when we're hosting events, we have a level of responsibility to our Barony and to the people coming to the events to provide them the best experience of the Dream that we can. That means that if you have a commitment to an event or a position in the Barony that you step up to your responsibilities. We are all very aware that sometimes mundane issues take precedence and that unexpected things occur, but in the mundane side of our hobby, with the technology available, there's rarely a reason that someone shouldn't be informed in a timely manner if a responsibility cannot be met.

Also in our future is Winter University, which will be on February 3, 2018 at James Sprunt Community College. One of our newest members, lady Alexandria, will be autocrating this event and I would like to thank her for her enthusiasm and congratulate her on winning the bid.

Upcoming events outside the Barony include Rip-Rap War, hosted by the Barony of Marinus, where Their Excellencies were given a letter of marque to sponsor a ship in the battle. If you can attend, it would be a great opportunity to stand with our Baron and Baroness as representatives of Raven's Cove. And after that, we have War of the Wings. If you haven't registered for land, please do so by September 15. Also, while they will not be directly part of our camp, Their Majesties of Aethelnearc will be considered our guests and will be joining us for meals. At this time, there are still plenty of chores that need to be filled and a few spots for those who wish to prepare meals. The list is posted on the encampment Facebook page and if you have any questions or problems, please contact me.

In closing, do not forget that we have a populace meeting coming up on September 17 at 4 pm at the Citadel. This is not a pot luck, however, feel free to bring snacks. There will be a discussion of a change to our financial policy, so maximum participation would be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns, as always please feel free to contact me.

In Service,
VIF



from the Minister of Arts & Science

Greetings Ravens!!

Baronial Birthday was great fun, despite some inclement weather. I'm sure an accounting of everything is posted elsewhere in this missive, so I won't repeat it. I will say that Seigneur Etienne, our Kingdom MOAS, attended our birthday event and had some very positive things to say about the A&S entries that were submitted. He also said, whilst giving his report during Curia, that Atlantia was represented exceptionally well in the A&S competition at Pennsic. I'd like to say thank you to Senora Dorothea for representing Raven's Cove at Pennsic. Additionally, Lord Lothian was unable to attend Baronial Birthday, but completed all but a couple of the scrolls presented at Baronial Court and was recognized in court for his scribal efforts.

Thanks to everyone for their A&S endeavors; they are definitely noticed outside of our barony. The next A&S class is as yet to be determined, but will be posted. If you've ever wanted to share your knowledge of an art or science, but the thought of teaching at a University intimidates you, please consider teaching at an A&S night! I'm happy to help you put a class together.

Yr eiddoch yn gywir,

**Baroness Olwen
Deputy MOAS**

RAVENS' RECORD

(being the minutes of the Baronial business meeting of the Barony of Raven's Cove, SCA Inc.)
19 August 2017

Hlaford Vlfbeorn called the meeting to order at 4:45 pm, and there were 10 people in attendance.

OFFICERS REPORTS:

Baron/Baroness: (Baron Lochlainn hua Rigbarddain/Baroness Edan Lowery) Their Excellencies wanted to note that event season is upon us and to remind us to bring goodies to share on the hospitality tables we set up at events. Additional Her Excellency is head retainer for Prince Amos and Princess Kara.

Seneschal: (Hlaford Vlfbeorn Ælfweardes sunu) Halford Vlfbeorn stated that the current website looked good, but there were some changes that needed to be made. He also stated that while we have most baronial offices filled (the Chancellor of Youth still being vacant), almost all the baronial offices need deputies. He urged members of the populace to consider volunteering to be a deputy officer.

Chancellor of the Exchequer: (Señor Juan de Rojo) Señor Juan was not present, however Hlaford Vlfbeord had received the exchequer's report and relayed that all the outstanding bills for the Arthurian Deed had been paid; and that corrections were needed on some previous year end reports, and that Señor Juan was working on the reports for the first two quarters of the year as there were some correction necessary on those.

Chatelaine: (Lady Cara of Raven's Cove) Lady Cara was not present and Mistress Katherine gave the report. The Kingdom Chatelaine and the Southern Regional Deputy Chatelaine are both stepping down and replacements need to be found for them. Requirements for the office may be found in the Acorn.

Chronicler: (Lord Lothian ap Lyonesse) Lord Lothian was not in attendance, and Baroness Olwen gave report. Lord Lothian is in need of missives, stories, and other submissions for the Cry. Also, please remember that the website and the Raven's Cry are the official publications of the Barony, things posted on Facebook are not official, but merely convenient.

Herald: (Lady Rhiannon of Raven's Cove) Most submissions are passing and people should be getting notifications from Kingdom about their submissions.

(Raven's Report Continued)

Knight Marshall: (Lord David of Raven's Cove) Lord David was not present and the report was given by Baron Lochlainn. Currently, we are attempting to have two practices a week, the Sunday practice is generally organized by Lord David, while the Thursday practice is organized by Baron Lochlainn.

Minister of Arts & Sciences: (Ian the Ranger) Ian was not present and the report was given by Baroness Olwen. A&S nights/classes are going well, with the next being Autocrat 101 today. Looking for teachers and subjects to cover, please volunteer. Their Excellencies noted that the next three months will be crazy busy for them, so A&S classes may have to move location temporarily.

Minister of the Lists: (Baroness Olwen de Montgomery) Baroness Olwen will be the MOL in charge at our upcoming Baronial Birthday and announced that there will be a MOL 101 class at Birthday for those interested in becoming a MOL.

OLD BUSINESS:

Baronial Birthday – this is the final planning meeting. There will be a dayboard/hospitality table, so please bring donations. Lord Lothian will be the hall steward; Hlaford Vlfbeord will be the field coordinator.

Queen's Rapier – October 14. We are still staffing some positions, Mistress Katherine volunteered to be head troll, otherwise all is going well.

War of the Wings – October 18-22. We will be hosting a hafla on Saturday and signup for chores will be forthcoming. Their Majesties of Aethelmearc will be joining us, but in a small camp of their own.

Demonstrations – Demos at the Strawberry Festival and national Night Out were tabled to another meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Winter University – a bid has been submitted with lady Alexandria autocrating it. The bid was received, but no decision has yet been made.

Rip Rap War – September 8-10 in Marinus. Their Excellencies received a letter of marque from Their Excellencies of Marinus to sponsor a boat. Boats need to be assembled on site. There is a very strong likelihood that Their Excellencies of Raven's Cove will be hosting Their Royal Highnesses at Rip Rap War.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Newcomers were welcomed to the group.

There being no further business, the populace meeting adjourned at 5:57 pm.



From the Chronicler

Greetings Ye Fair Ravens!!

What a magnificent Baronial Birthday celebration for all who attended this past week! There were Royals, Great Officers of the Kingdom, Dukes and Duchesses. There was a Grail or was there? There was fighting and rain then, even more fighting and more rain but, the rains faded and all was celebrated with the greatest of fun with Their Excellencies and many, many friends in attendance. Courts in the morning, Courts in the evening, I hear there were even bunnies in Court. Awards were presented and a new Peer was elevated.

For those of us who were not there, this is what we miss out on when we don't come. I was sick and could not attend but, from what I have heard, I should have crawled there anyway. Your experiences in this Barony are what you make them each time we come together for an event such as this Baronial Birthday.

I still want to hear from all of your adventures throughout Our Lands and the Known World. Drop me a note, a story, a picture or two anytime.

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Send it there, that's all you have to do!

In Your Service,

Lord Lothian ap Lyonesse

Baronial Birthday Fighting



(Pictures this page and next courtesy of Kat Dooley)

Baronial Birthday Courts





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