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ABOUT THIS EDITION...

RAVENS, WE HAVE ALL GONE THROUGH A LONG COLD WINTER OF PLAGUE. WITH THIS EDITION OF THE CRY COVERING MOST OF THAT DARK TIME IN ONE FELL SWOOP, I PRESENT TO YOU THE MISSIVES FROM OUR OFFICERS AS THEY DISCUSS WHAT THEY WISH TO SEE OCCUR IN THE COMING MONTHS AS OUR FAIR KINGDOM REOPENS AFTER THIS TERRIBLE TIME.

FROM YOUR BARONESS

KEVEDJA WONDERFUL POPULACE! I AM SO EXCITED TO JOURNEY WITH YOU OVER THE NEXT 3 YEARS! THE BARONY OF RAVEN'S COVE, ALONG WITH THE KINGDOM OF ATLANTIA HAS BEEN THROUGH A TRYING TIME OVER THE LAST YEAR WITH THE PLAGUE BUT THE END IS IN SIGHT AND AM LOOKING FORWARD TO BEING ABLE TO GET BACK TOGETHER WITH ALL OF YOU. TOWARD THAT END, I WANTED TO SHARE A BIT ABOUT MY VISION FOR THE FUTURE OF THE BARONY AND WHAT I HOPE TO SEE OVER THE NEXT THREE YEARS. PLEASE KEEP IN MIND THAT ALL OF THESE VISIONS ARE CONDITIONAL UPON THE CURRENT RESTRICTIONS AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO FAITHFULLY FOLLOW THE POLICIES OF THE KINGDOM SENESCHAL'S OFFICE

I WANT TO SUPPORT THE INDIVIDUAL GROWTH OF YOU, OUR CURRENT POPULOUS. YOU HAVE SUCH A DIVERSE RANGE OF GIFTS AND TALENTS, AND I WANT TO WORK WITH YOU TO HELP EXPAND YOUR OPPORTUNITIES AND EXPERIENCES WITHIN THE SCA. I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR PEOPLE ARE RECOGNIZED FOR ALL OF THEIR EFFORTS IN ARTS AND SCIENCES, SERVICE, AND ON THE MARTIAL FIELD. WHATEVER YOUR CHOSEN PATH, I ENVISION OUR BARONY GROWING STRONGER TOGETHER AND STEPPING UP THE WAY WE PLAY THE GAME. I WANT US TO BE A PRESENCE AT EVENTS WITH A CONTINUING REPUTATION FOR HOSPITALITY AND WELCOME.

IN ADDITION TO GROWING OUR OWN SKILLS AND TALENTS, I WOULD LOVE TO GROW OUR NUMBERS. WE ARE ONE OF THE SMALLER BARONIES, BUT WE HAVE MUCH TO OFFER AND I BELIEVE THAT THERE ARE A LOT OF PEOPLE WITHIN OUR TERRITORIES WHO WOULD APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO LIVE THE DREAM ALONG WITH US. TOWARD THAT END I WOULD LOVE FOR US TO HOST ACTIVITIES THROUGHOUT MORE AREAS OF OUR LANDS WHERE FACILITIES ARE AVAILABLE AND ENCOURAGE THE EXPANSION OF ADVERTISING ALONG WITH HOSTING MORE DEMOS AND POTENTIALLY MORE EVENTS.

I AM SO HONORED TO BE YOUR BARONESS. PLEASE KNOW THAT I AM HERE FOR YOU IN THIS JOURNEY. IF YOU HAVE IDEAS OR THOUGHTS, PLEASE LET ME KNOW, I'M HERE TO LISTEN. UNTIL WE START TO MEET AGAIN IN PERSON, I WANT TO LEAVE YOU WITH A CHALLENGE. THIS MONTH, APRIL, PICK ONE ITEM OF GARB, ACCESSORIES, ARMOR, EQUIPMENT, ETC., AND UPGRADE IT OR MAKE A NEW PIECE TO UPGRADE YOUR KIT. LET ME KNOW WHAT IT IS! I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL SOON!

YOURS ALWAYS IN SERVICE,

BARONESS NEZHKA

FROM YOUR SENESCHAL

GREETINGS RAVEN'S COVE. THIS LAST YEAR HAS BEEN HARD ON THE SCA AND OUR BARONY, BUT I APPLAUD ALL OF YOU FOR KEEPING THE DREAM ALIVE AND CONTINUING TO WORK ON YOUR CRAFT. FOR A LONG TIME WE WERE CLOSED TO EVEN SMALL (10 OR LESS) GATHERINGS. WE ARE OPEN AT THIS TIME AND CAN COME BACK TOGETHER. IF ANYONE HAS ANY IDEAS, OR EVEN A PART OF AN IDEA PLEASE BRING IT UP. YOU CAN DO SO AT OUR BARONIAL MEETINGS WHICH WILL BE HAPPENING MORE FREQUENTLY THROUGHOUT THE YEAR, TALK MYSELF, BARONESS NEZHKA, OR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE OF THE FIELD OF YOUR IDEA/EVENT SUCH AS THE KNIGHT MARSHAL OR THE MINISTER OF ARTS AND SCIENCE. WE ALL DESIRE TO WORK TOGETHER AND SUPPORT EACH OTHER IN THIS BARONY.

CROWN HAS BEEN SCHEDULED AND WE ARE EXCITED TO SEE WHO WILL BE OUR NEW MONARCHS. AT THIS TIME, THE BAN ON SCA EVENTS SHOULD BE LIFTING IN JUNE. WE ARE ANXIOUS TO BE ABLE GO TO EVENTS AND SEE OUR FRIENDS FROM ACROSS ATLANTIA AGAIN. BE PREPARED FOR THINGS TO CHANGE VERY QUICKLY AS WE ATTEMPT TO FIGURE OUT EVENTS IN LIGHT OF THE PLAGUE.

A FINAL THANK YOU, TO EVERYONE WHO RESPONDED TO THE POLLINGS, AND ASSISTED WITH THE BARONIAL INVESTITURE. WE ARE HONORED TO HAVE BARONESS NEZHKA STANDING AS OUR REPRESENTATIVE AND LEADER. WE GREATLY APPRECIATE BARON LOCHLAIN AND MISTRESS EDAN FOR THEIR SERVICE AND GUIDANCE TO RAVEN'S COVE. I AM PERSONALLY HONORED TO BE AMONG THE RAVENS. VIVAT RAVEN'S COVE.

IN SERVICE,

LADY FREYDIS RODMARSDOTTIR

FROM YOUR EXCHEQUER

GREETINGS UNTO THE POPULACE OF RAVEN'S COVE!

I HOPE THIS MISSIVE FINDS EVERYONE WELL AND THAT WE ARE IN THE FINAL STAGES OF THIS PLAGUE THAT HAS KEPT US APART. WHILE NOT ONLY KEEPING US APART, IT HAS MADE THE OFFICE OF THE EXCHEQUER QUITE EASY TO PERFORM AS THERE HAS BEEN NOTHING GOING ON. WITH THAT SAID, OUR BARONIAL COFFERS CURRENTLY HOLD \$5,931.60. DURING THIS PERIOD, I HAVE GONE THROUGH ALL THE MATERIALS FROM THE OFFICE AND CLEARED OUT ALL OLD FILES WHICH ARE NO LONGER REQUIRED TO BE HELD, UPDATED OTHER FILES, AND HAVE REVIEWED SOME OF THE KINGDOM AND SOCIETY POLICIES. THE OVERALL STATE OF THE OFFICE IS RATHER GOOD. DUE TO THE LACK OF ACTIVITY, THERE WAS THE POSSIBILITY OF OUR BANK ACCOUNT BEING CLOSED OUT. IF A PERIOD OF 12 MONTHS PASSES WHERE THERE IS A PERIOD OF NO ACTIVITY ON THE ACCOUNT, THE BANK MAY CLOSE THE ACCOUNT, BUT THAT IS NOT NECESSARILY GOING TO HAPPEN. BUT JUST TO BE SAFE, I DECIDED TO MAKE A SMALL DONATION TO THE BARONY TO SHOW ACTIVITY ON THE ACCOUNT. WHILE IT LOOKS AS THOUGH WE ARE SLOWLY MOVING OUT OF THE PLAGUE DAYS, IF WE CONTINUE TO BE UNABLE TO HOLD EVENTS OR HAVE ACTIVITIES AND ANYONE IS INTERESTED, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT ME IF YOU WISH TO MAKE A DONATION TO KEEP THE ACCOUNT ACTIVE. JUST DAYS AWAY WE WILL BE PERFORMING AN INVENTORY OF ALL BARONIAL ASSETS AND AT SOME POINT, IN THE NOT-TOO-DISTANT FUTURE I WILL BE STEPPING AWAY FROM THE POSITION OF BARONIAL EXCHEQUER BUT WILL LIKELY REMAIN A DEPUTY AT LEAST FOR A SHORT WHILE. IF ANYONE HAS ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS ABOUT THE STATE OF OUR FINANCES OR OUR BARONIAL ASSETS, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT ME.

IN SERVICE,

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FROM YOUR MINISTER OF ARTS & SCIENCES

GREETINGS RAVENS!

AS MANY OF YOU ALREADY KNOW (AND AS MAY ALREADY BE MENTIONED HEREIN THE CRY SOMEWHERE), THE BARONY IS CURRENTLY IN PHASE 0 OF THE ATLANTIAN REOPENING PLAN ACCORDING TO THE KINGDOM SENESCHAL. WHAT THIS MEANS (AGAIN, WITH APOLOGIES IF THIS IS REPETITIVE -- FEEL FREE TO SKIP THIS PART) IS THAT WE MAY HAVE OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES OPEN TO THOSE OVER THE AGE OF 17 AND LIMITED TO 10 PEOPLE. RESERVATIONS FOR SUCH ACTIVITIES ARE HIGHLY RECOMMENDED. MASKS MUST BE WORN, AND SOCIAL DISTANCING MUST BE OBSERVED. WHAT THIS MEANS FOR A&S ACTIVITIES IS THAT THINGS CAN HAPPEN OUTSIDE, SUCH AS BUILDING WORKSHOPS, BANNER PAINTING AND EVEN THE "SOFTER" THINGS SUCH AS SPINNING, EMBROIDERY, AND SUCH. WE MAY NOT TRAVEL TO OTHER GROUPS, SO IF YOU CHOOSE TO PLAY WITH THE BARONY, YOU MUST CONTINUE TO PLAY WITH THE BARONY UNTIL WE AND OTHER GROUPS AT LEAST REACH PHASE 2.

IF YOU SKIPPED AHEAD, HERE'S WHERE YOU PICK UP:

THE KINGDOM MINISTER OF ARTS AND SCIENCES IS STILL STRONGLY ENCOURAGING VIRTUAL A&S, AND WE HAVE SOME VERY WELL-ESTABLISHED VIRTUAL ACTIVITIES GOING ON, SUCH AS ATLANTIAN KNIT NIGHT AND HER EXCELLENCY'S COASTAL BARDIC. I WILL BE LOOKING AT PUTTING TOGETHER SOME CLASS IDEAS FOR A MONTHLY BARONIAL A&S VIRTUAL MEETING, AS WELL AS DOING SOMETHING IN PERSON HOPEFULLY AT SOME POINT BETWEEN THE "POLLEN" AND "HOT" SEASONS. I AM CURRENTLY LOOKING INTO PAINTING SILK BANNERS AND HOPE TO PUT TOGETHER A CLASS ON THAT TOPIC SOON. IF YOU HAVE ANY IDEAS OR SUGGESTIONS FOR AN A&S CLASS, DISCUSSION, LECTURE, OR WORKSHOP, PLEASE LET ME KNOW. YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE ABLE TO TEACH THE THING TOPIC YOU'RE SUGGESTING (THOUGH IF YOU ARE, THAT WOULD ALSO BE GREAT). WE HAVE HAD SOME REALLY FUN CLASSES IN THE PAST AND I KNOW THAT WE HAVE MANY PEOPLE IN THE BARONY INTERESTED IN MANY DIVERSE THINGS, SO I'D REALLY LIKE TO HEAR FROM THE GROUP WHAT FOLKS WOULD BE INTERESTED IN LEARNING.

YR EIDDOCH YN GYWIR,

OLWEN

FROM THE GOLDEN RAVEN HERALD

RAVENS:

I HOPE THIS FINDS YOU WELL AND IN GOOD HEALTH. I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE A MINUTE TO CONGRATULATE BARONESS NEZHKA ON STEPPING UP TO LEAD OUR BARONY. OUR BARONY IS IN GOOD HANDS.

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT WE CAN STILL DO NAME AND HERALDRY SUBMISSIONS, EVEN THOUGH WE CAN'T BE TOGETHER IN PERSON, YET. PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOU CONTACT BARON LOCHLAINN AND GET YOUR NAME, BADGE, OR HERALDRY SUBMITTED TODAY.

READY YOURSELVES TODAY, FOR SOON WE WILL SPREAD OUR WINGS AND FLY ONCE AGAIN.

YIS

LORD TIBERIUS OF YORK

FROM YOUR KNIGHT MARSHAL

GREETINGS TO THE POPULACE

THE PLAGUE IS ALMOST OVER, I RESPECT EVERYONE'S DECISION ON HOW THEY PERSONALLY FEEL ABOUT THIS. THAT BEING SAID, I WANT TO PLAY, I WANT TO SEE MY CHOSEN FAMILY AND FRIENDS. I REALLY, REALLY WANT TO STAB MY CHOSEN SISTERS (THEY KNOW WHO THEY ARE). I WANT TO HEAR THE SLAP!, BANG!, CRUNCH! GOOD OR LIGHT OF THE HEAVY FIGHTERS. THE LAUGHTER AND PUNNING ON THE ARCHERY RANGE AND THROWN WEAPON RANGE. THE SONGS, STORIES AND SHENANIGAN'S THAT RAVENS COVE IS WELL KNOWN FOR.

SO IF THE SOCIETY RULES ARE THAT WE WEAR MASK, THEN SO BE IT, IF SOCIETY RULES ARE THAT WE MUST HAVE SIX FEET BETWEEN US, OK. IT WILL NOT LAST FOREVER. IF YOU FEEL THAT YOU CANNOT FIGHT, SHOOT OR THROW A WEAPON WHILE WEARING A MASK. COME ANYWAY JUST FOLLOW THE RULES. WE CAN STILL HAVE FUN WHILE WEARING A MASK.

AS YOUR KNIGHT MARSHALL, I WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU TO CHECK YOUR GEAR, WEAPONS, ASK QUESTIONS, GIVE ADVICE, SEEK ANSWERS AND SHARE WHAT YOU HAVE LEARNED.

YOURS IN SERVICE

LORD JUAN DE ZARAGOZA

FROM YOUR CHATELAIN

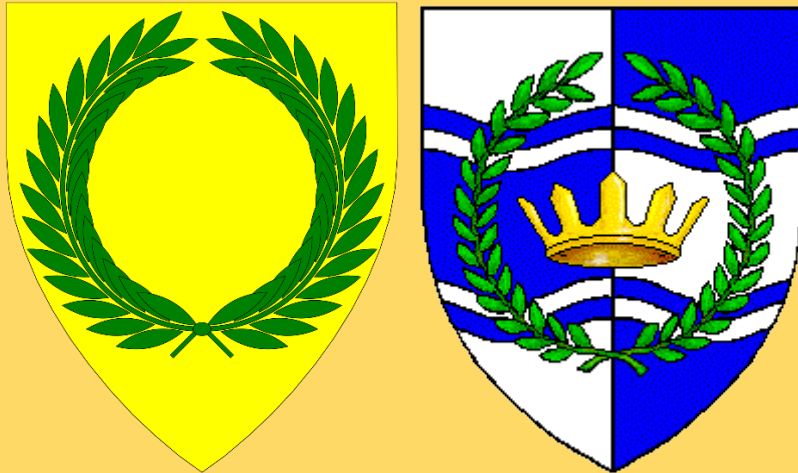
RAVENS COVE,

WE HAVE HAD A TRULY TRYING YEAR WITH A TUMULT OF EMOTION, BUT SPRING IS HERE AND THE STARTUP OF IN PERSON EVENTS ARE ON THE HORIZON!

IT HAS BEEN ENCOURAGING TO SEE OUR MEMBERS SHARING SKILLS VIRTUALLY, STARTING NEW PROJECTS AND DELVING INTO NEW AREAS OF HISTORICAL LEARNING. YOUR LABORS HAVE BROUGHT NEWCOMERS TO OUR DOORS WHO ARE EAGERLY LOOKING FORWARD TO MEETING EVERYONE AND READY TO BE INVOLVED IN THE SCA!

I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING EVERYONE AGAIN SOON AND HOPE TO INVOLVE OUR GROUP IN SOME FUN DEMOS AND PRACTICES THAT WILL HELP WELCOME NEWCOMERS AND SHARE OUR EXCITING HOBBY OF LIVING HISTORY WITH OTHERS!

~LADY ALEXANDRIA



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