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THE NEWEST BARONAGE FOR THE BARONY OF RAVEN'S COVE!!!

THEIR MAJESTIES RANDALL I AND IUL'IANNA I HAVE SEEN FIT TO NAME LORD RAGNULFR ORNOLFSON AND LADY FREYDIS RODMARSDOTTIR AS THE NEXT SET OF BARONAGE FOR OUR FAIR BARONY. WE WILL CELEBRATE THEIR INVESTITURE ON JANUARY 17-19 2025 AT THE RAVEN'S COVE BARONIAL BIRTHDAY / INVESTITURE YULE CELEBRATION.



FROM YOUR SENESCHAL

TO THE POPULACE OF THE BARONY OF RAVEN'S COVE,

RAVENS WE HAVE TWO OPENINGS THAT WE ARE TRYING TO FILL THE POSITIONS THEY ARE KNIGHT MARSHAL AND THE WEBMINISTER. IF YOU WISH TO PUT IN FOR EITHER POSITION, PLEASE SEND YOUR INTEREST TO THE SENESCHAL (RAVENSENESCHAL@GMAIL.COM)

NOW LET'S GET TO THE LATEST NEWS WE HAVE OUR NEXT BARON AND BARONESS LORD RAGNULFR ORNOLFSON AND LADY FREYDIS RODMARSDOTTIR. IT'S THE BEST PRESENT FOR THIS BARONY. I AM VERY PLEASED TO SEE THESE TWO STEP INTO THESE ROLES. IT SHOWS THAT OUR BARONY IS BACK ON ITS FEET AND GAINING STRENGTH. IN MY TIME HERE I HAVE FOUND THEIR COMPANY MOST AGREEABLE AND THEIR ADVICE AND KNOWLEDGE OF THIS BARONY AND ATLANTIA TO BE INVALUABLE. I LOOK FORWARD TO WHAT THEY BOTH WILL BRING TO THE POSITION,

VIVAT TO OUR NEW BARONAGE.

FINAL THOUGHTS:

WE ARE ENTERING THE HOLIDAY SEASON A TIME OF JOY AND HAPPINESS. PLEASE TAKE CARE AND FIND TIME TO GIVE A KIND WORD OR TWO TO EACH OTHER AND THOSE YOU MAY INTERACT WITH IF EVEN BRIEFLY. ALSO, IF YOU GET OVERWHELMED BY THE HOLIDAYS, I AM ALWAYS AVAILABLE TO CHAT OR JUST LISTEN.

THIS IS ALSO THE LAST CRY OF 2024 WHAT A YEAR IT HAS BEEN WE HAVE BEEN THROUGH SOME ROUGH SEAS AND TOGETHER NAVIGATED THEM TO FIND CALMER WATERS. WE MADE IT TO WHERE WE ARE TODAY BECAUSE WE AS RAVENS WERE OF A SINGLE PURPOSE. SO ONWARD TO 2025 AND ALL, IT WILL BRING TO OUR BARONY.

IVAN MEZEY (MAUS)

RAVENS COVE SENESCHAL



FROM YOUR MISTRESS OF ARTS & SCIENCES

HELLO MY FINE FEATHERED FRIENDS WITH THE HOLIDAYS FAST APPROACHING WE HAVE SOME WONDERFUL A&S COMING UP.

DEC 14TH 12P -4P AT HORNS TO HALOS WE WILL HAVE A JOINT ARTS AND ARMOR DAY WHERE WE WILL BE DELVING INTO TUDOR HEAD WEAR TO PREPARE US FOR THE TUDOR YULE THEME OF RAVENS COVE BARONIAL BIRTHDAY

JAN 5TH 1P-6P AT 300 INDUSTRIAL DR NEW BERN THERE WILL BE A JOINT SEWING DAY WITH OUR WITH OUR SISTER SHIRE OF URUS BAY. A GOOD CHANCE TO FINISH UP ANY 12TH NIGHT SEWING OR SEWING FOR THE BARONIAL BIRTHDAY. JUST BRING YOUR PROJECT AND YOUR MACHINE OR JUST COME ENJOY THE COMPANY.

AS THE HOLIDAYS ARE FULL OF TASTY TREATS I THOUGHT I'D SHARE ANOTHER RECIPE WITH YOU THAT YOU CAN TRY AT HOME.

TUDOR MARINATED ORANGES

INGREDIENTS:

1 LARGE ORANGE, WASHED

1 CUP WATER

HALF CUP CASTER SUGAR

1 CINNAMON STICK

1 TSP ROSEWATER SYRUP

METHOD

SLICE THE TOP AND BOTTOM FROM THE ORANGE AND DISCARD. CUT THE ORANGE IN HALF LENGTHWAYS AND THEN SLICE INTO 1CM THICK SLICES. POKE OUT THE PIPS AND THROW THEM AWAY.

IN A SMALL SAUCEPAN, HEAT THE WATER AND SUGAR TOGETHER, STIRRING UNTIL DISSOLVED AND THEN ADD THE DE-PIPPED ORANGE SLICES.

THROW IN THE CINNAMON STICK AND TRICKLE IN THE ROSEWATER AND CONTINUE TO SIMMER GENTLY IN THE SYRUP FOR 20 MINUTES.

COOL AND DECANT THE ORANGE INTO A SUITABLE JAR WITH A LID, TOPPING UP WITH SOME OF THE REST OF THE SYRUP. STORE IN THE FRIDGE.

THE ORIGINAL RECIPE FOR THIS, IN *THE GOOD HUSWIFE'S JEWELL*, IS CALLED 'TO PRESERVE ORENGES' AND IT STATES THAT:

YOU MUST CUT YOUR ORENGES IN HALFE, AND PARE THEM A LITTLE ROUND ABOUT, AND LET THEM LYE IN WATER FOURE OR FIUE DAYES, AND YOU MUST CHAUNGE THE WATER ONCE OR TWICE A DAY, AND WHEN YOU PRESERVE THEM, YOU MUST HAUE A QUARTE OF FAIRE WA|TER TO PUT IN YOUR SUGER, AND A LITTLE ROSE WATER, AND SET IT ON THE FIRE, AND SCUM IT VERIE CLEANE, AND PUT IN A LITTLE SINAMOME, AND PUT IN YOUR ORENGES, AND LET THEM BOILE A LITTLE WHILE, AND THEN TAKE THEM OUT AGAIN, AND DOE SOE FIUE OR SIXE TIMES, AND WHEN THEY BE INOUGH, PUT IN YOUR ORENGES AND LET YOUR SIRROPPE STAND TILL IT BEE COLD, AND THEN PUT YOUR SIRROP INTO YOUR ORENGES.



FROM YOUR GOLDEN RAVEN HERALD

RAVENS:

WHAT A GLORIOUS TIME FOR OUR BARONY!!!!

THE WONDERFUL NEWS HAS BEEN PASSED DOWN FROM KINGDOM, AND WE HAVE NEW HEIRS!!!! CONGRATULATIONS TO LADY FREYDIS AND LORD RAGNULFR FOR BEING SELECTED AS OUR NEW BARONAGE. I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO SERVING AS THEIR VOICE AS I AM NEEDED, AND HAVE EVERY CONFIDENCE THAT THEY WILL DO A GREAT JOB IN GROWING OUR BARONY MOVING FORWARD.

LOOKING TO GET YOUR NAME OR HERALDRY MOVING FORWARD AND REGISTERED? I WOULD ASK: WHAT COLORS SUIT YOU? WHAT CHARGES SPEAK TO YOU? WHAT REPRESENTS YOU, AND WHO YOU WANT TO BE? GET YOUR IDEAS TOGETHER AND SUBMIT THEM THROUGH YOUR HERALD. CREATE YOUR PERSONA. LOCK IN WHO YOU ARE. MAKE A GOOD SHOWING OF IT IN YOUR BANNERS, FAVORS, AND CLOTHES.

PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOU CONTACT MYSELF OR BARON LOCHLAINN AND GET YOUR NAME, BADGE, OR HERALDRY SUBMITTED TODAY..

YIS

LORD TIBERIUS OF YORK

GOLDEN RAVEN,

RAVENS COVE.



FROM YOUR KNIGHT'S MARSHAL

GREETINGS RAVEN FIGHTERS AND FRIENDS!

THE FIGHTER PRACTICE FOR NOVEMBER WAS EXCELLENT. WE HAD FIVE RAPIER FIGHTERS AND HAD A GREAT TIME. THE NEXT FIGHTER PRACTICE WILL BE SAT DEC 14TH AT HORNS TO HALOS IN RICHLANDS FROM 2:00 PM TO 4:00 PM FOLLOWING THE ARTS AND SCIENCE CLASS. ALL RAVENS AND FRIENDS ARE WELCOME. IF YOU ARE A MARSHAL AND PLAN TO ATTEND, PLEASE LET ME KNOW. WE WILL NOT HAVE A SCHEDULED FIGHTER PRACTICE IN JANUARY, BUT I HOPE TO SEE EVERYONE FOR RAVEN'S COVE BARONIAL BIRTHDAY ON JAN 18TH. IF YOU WANT TO HOLD A FIGHTER PRACTICE OF ANY DISCIPLINE, PLEASE LET ME KNOW AND WE CAN MAKE THAT HAPPEN.

IN SERVICE,
LADY FREYDIS

GLAÐLIGR JÓL! HAPPY YULE!



FROM MISTRESS EDAN LOWERY

GREETINGS, RAVENS!

SINCE THE HOLIDAYS ARE UPON US, I THOUGHT THAT I WOULD LOOK UP FUN CHRISTMAS TRADITIONS THAT EXISTED DURING THE MEDIEVAL TIME PERIOD. WHAT I CAME ACROSS IS CALLED THE FEAST OF FOOLS. THE FEAST OF FOOLS WAS HELD ON JANUARY 1, AND PRIESTS, DEACONS AND CHURCH OFFICIALS WERE GIVEN LICENSE TO LET LOOSE AND BE SILLY. AS WE ALL KNOW, THEY WERE VERY STERN, RESERVED INDIVIDUALS, OFTEN SHREWD. IN THIS ACTIVITY, THERE WERE ROLE REVERSALS, WHERE DEACONS AND THOSE LOWER IN THE CHURCH WERE PERMITTED TO CONDUCT SERMONS. TO SAY THAT THINGS OFTEN GOT A LITTLE WONKY, IS AN UNDERSTATEMENT, AS THEY WERE ALLOWED FULL REIGN TO DO WHATEVER THEY WANTED. APPARENTLY, THEY WERE OFTEN VERY “BOTTLED UP” AND LOST CONTROL WITH THE LIMITED POWER OF THE DAY! ONE SUCH INCIDENT WAS DOCUMENTED BY AN INDIVIDUAL IN THE 15TH CENTURY:

“PRIESTS AND CLERKS MAY BE SEEN WEARING MASKS AND MONSTROUS VISAGES AT THE HOURS OF OFFICE... THEY DANCE IN THE CHOIR DRESSED AS WOMEN, PANDERS OR MINSTRELS. THEY SING WANTON SONGS. THEY EAT BLACK PUDDINGS... WHILE THE CELEBRANT IS SAYING MASS. THEY PLAY AT DICE... THEY RUN AND LEAP THROUGH THE CHURCH, WITHOUT A BLUSH AT THEIR OWN SHAME.”

THE ACTIVITY TOOK PLACE ON THE TWELFTH DAY OF WHAT THEY CALLED THE FEASTING SEASON (WHICH TOOK PLACE FROM DECEMBER 25TH THROUGH JANUARY 5TH), BEGINNING BEFORE DAWN ON CHRISTMAS MORNING WITH A SPECIAL CHRISTMAS MASS. DURING THIS PERIOD, THERE WERE A VARIETY OF ACTIVITIES THAT INCLUDED DRINKING, WEARING OF MASKS, DRESS-UP GAMES (THESE WERE OFTEN GENDER BASED ROLE REVERSALS), AND DOOR-TO-DOOR SINGING, AS WE IDENTIFY AS CAROLING, TODAY. IT LOOKS LIKE THEY HAD A GREAT HOLIDAY SEASON, LETTING THEIR HAIR DOWN AND ENJOYING THE RESTING THEY WERE GIVEN FROM THE FIELDS, AS THEY AWAITED SPRING TO RENEW THE EARTH.

UNTIL NEXT TIME,

MISTRESS EDAN LOWERY



MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER MEETING

RAVEN'S COVE MEETING MINUTES

ATTENDANCE: IVAN, OLWEN, LOCHLAINN, SCHIPHRAH, EDAN, KATIE BARGER, KRISTY TOLMAN, FINN

CALL TO ORDER: 7:03 PM

OFFICER REPORTS:

VICAR (MASTER ANDREAS): NOT PRESENT

SENESCHAL (LORD IVAN): NO REPORT GIVEN, ITEMS IN NEW BUSINESS

EXCHEQUER (MASTER LOCHLAINN): BALANCE IS 3544.60, DOWN DUE TO CHECK FOR PORTAJOHNS AND SITE FOR BIRTHDAY. BANK ACCT PAPERWORK IN PROGRESS FOR FIRST CITIZENS BANK

HERALD (LORD TIBERIUS): NOT PRESENT

KNIGHT'S MARSHAL (LADY FREYDIS): NOT PRESENT

MOAS (MISTRESS FINNECH): NOT PRESENT

CHATELAINE (M'LADY SCHIPHRAH): REPORTS WENT IN ON TIME, AND THERE HAVE BEEN SOME EMAILS FROM NEW FOLKS. WE HAVE CONTACT INFO FOR THE REN FAIRE DEMO WE DID LAST YEAR. BELIEVE IT WILL BE ON APRIL 12, 2025. IF WE WANT TO DO THIS (WITH URSUS BAY AND SEA REACH) IT COULD HELP US WITH RECRUITING. IF WE WANT TO DO THIS, WE MUST COMMIT NOW.

CHRONICLER REPORT GIVEN BY MASTER LOCHLAINN: YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE AN OFFICER TO SUBMIT TO THE CRY, ANYONE CAN HAVE STUFF PUBLISHED. LOCH WILL PRINT ANYTHING TASTEFUL.

WEBMINISTER REPORT GIVEN BY MASTER LOCHLAINN: IF YOU HAVEN'T LOOKED, PLEASE LOOK AT THE WEBSITE. WOULD LIKE SUGGESTIONS FOR THINGS PEOPLE WOULD LIKE TO SEE ON THE SITE.

PLEASE SEND SUGGESTIONS TO LOCH DIRECTLY OR TO THE EXCHEQUER EMAIL AS HE CAN'T ACCESS THE WEBMINISTER EMAIL. BECAUSE OF THINGS, THERE ARE SOME NON-POPULACE MEMBERS IN DISCORD, THIS WAS PLANNED FROM THE BEGINNING SO THE #OFFICIAL_CHAT CHANNEL IS FOR POPULACE MEMBERS ONLY, WHEREAS #OPEN_CHAT IS FOR EVERYONE.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. BANK ACCT IN PROGRESS AND EVENT LOOMING, NEED TO APPLY TO USE SCORES FOR THE EVENT. WE NEED TO HAVE A VOTE APPROVAL TO ACCEPT SCORES FEES (1% FLAT FEE, MAX \$400, 2.9% +30 CENTS FOR CREDIT CARD, E-CHECK, PAYPAL). MOTION MADE BY LOCH, SECONDED BY OLWEN, PASSED WITH 6 VOTES
2. REN FAIRE – THE CHATELAINE WOULD LIKE US TO DO THIS AGAIN, AND PLAN IT WELL, WHICH MEANS STARTING EARLY. MOTION TO DO DEMO MADE BY EDAN, SECOND OLWEN, PASSED WITH 6 VOTES. SCHIPHRAH WILL GET THE BALL ROLLING WITH THIS AND CONTACT OUR NEIGHBORS TO ATTEND.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. BARONIAL POLLING/ABEYANCE – IF YOU HAVE NOT SUBMITTED YOUR POLLING OPINION ON WHO SHOULD BE THE NEXT BARONAGE, PLEASE DO SO BY NOVEMBER 23. PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU HAVE AN ACTIVE AEL ACCOUNT. IT IS VERY, VERY IMPORTANT THAT WE GET AS MUCH TURNOUT AS POSSIBLE.
2. BARONIAL BIRTHDAY – WE ARE USING SCORES, FORMS HAVE TO BE SIGNED AND RETURNED RIGHT AWAY. THE WEBSITE IS UP AND RUNNING, THE GOOGLE FORMS ARE ACCESSIBLE AND ENJOYED BY MANY. PORTAPOTTIES WILL BE RENTED AS SOON AS THE CHECK COMES FROM KINGDOM. FEAST TESTING IN THE NEXT MONTH OR SO. FIGHTING SCENARIOS SHOULD BE FINALIZED IN THE NEXT WEEK OR SO. EVENT TEASERS WILL BE FORTHCOMING ON SOCIAL MEDIA.
3. AGINCOURT EVENT – SITTING STILL UNTIL WE LEARNED ABOUT THE BARONY. THE CONTRACT WITH THE SITE WAS SIGNED AND SENT OFF TODAY. THAT WILL BE A LARGE-SCALE EVENT FROM 11/8-10, 2025, AT THE HALIFAX COUNTY 4H SITE, WITH RV HOOKUPS AVAILABLE.
4. SOCIAL MEDIA OFFICER – DEPUTY OF SENESCHAL. ROTA IS THE NEW SOCIAL MEDIA DEPUTY BY APPOINTMENT.
5. OTHER OFFICER POSITIONS WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE NEXT CRY WHILE GIVING OTHERS THE OPPORTUNITY TO PUT IN FOR THE OFFICES IF THEY WISH.

NEXT MEETING: DECEMBER 19, 2024, VIRTUAL-ONLY

MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING MADE BY OLWEN, SECONDED BY EDAN

THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:33.