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"The Hunters in the Snow"
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Casamira's Corner
The Pun is Mightier Than the Sword!

What do you call it when all the knights trade
places at the round table?

The knight shift!

By: Mistress Casamira Jawjalny, OL, OP, GA





Message from the Baron and Baroness

Unto the Most Ancient Barony of Loch Salann do We, Dunkr and Oonaugh, send greetings!

The brisk Artemisian fall has given way to the first snows of Winter and the end of the year is near. November saw us in Arrow's Flight, where the Loch proved that we are most generous, donating the most toys and earning the toy sword! It is a wonderful sword, and it has become...precious to me. This year the event donated over 200 toys to Toys for Tots. I set a challenge that next year Loch Salann itself brings forth 200 toys!

Following this, we traveled North to Arn Hold, where we were fortunate enough to get our first real taste of Winter, in the form of about a foot of snow! Despite nature's plans, the plague must go on and a wonderful event it was! Fighting, feasting on Chili, wonderful displays of art and death stalking the halls! Should you hear of a plague in Arn Hold in the future, I encourage you to make plans to attend!

Finally, we bid a fond farewell to our good cousins Yuri and Sumayya as they departed the Peacock thrones of 1000 eyes and began a well-earned vacation, and welcomed Tomas and Symonne as the newest Baron and Baroness of 1000 eyes! We look forward to much fun and revelry in the future!

Solstice is coming up faster than you can imagine! Lady Badahschia will be autocrattng and Count Raven will be cooking a feast of Meats and other delights to warm your winter tastebuds! For those who were not in attendance at Coronation, their Majesties have sent your good Baron to contemplate joining the Order of the Pelican, with the question to be asked at Solstice. I will be sitting Vigil following morning court and invite everyone to visit. The event site is the Discovery Christian Church, 5929 South 900 East Murray, Utah. The site is wet and flames are allowed. More information is available in the Sage.

January will find us at 12th night in Gryphon's lair and at Candlemass in Otherhill! Please join us for these wonderful events!

On January 10th, we will have our traditional Newcomers and Awardees night, hosted by Ælwyn and Amanda de Spencer. While awardees are easy to spot, newcomers are not always as easily seen (some are so wonderful, we can't imagine the Barony without them, so it is hard to imagine the just got here!!). While all are welcome, Baron Morgan is sending out special invites for those Awardees and newcomers, and would love assistance in identifying the new among us so that they may be recognized!

We are currently looking for a new Chatelaine, as Her Excellency Vigdis has served well beyond her two years.

The tenure of our Chronicler is drawing to a close as well, and we are looking for someone to keep penning the quill that you are reading. If you are interested, contact our good Seneschal!

Finally, our good Rapier Marshal Don Bacon finds the expiration date of his warrant drawing near, and would like to find a good gentle to pass the blade and mantle of this office off to.

The rest of our officer corp. is stable and looking for deputies in nearly every office. If you have ever wanted to help server your Barony, taking the role as a deputy is a great way to learn how!

Stay warm and safe this winter!

Dunkr Ormrhandlegr & Oonaugh Inghean Glaisne
- Baron and Baroness of Loch Salann



SENESCHAL

Unto the great barony of Loch Salann do I, Baroness Sheelaegh, send greetings.

As many of you may have heard, we have lost our winter site for fighter practice. We are still actively looking for new a new site. As I stated last month, it's hard to believe that I have been Seneschal for just over a year. I have enjoyed representing the Barony and the populace and I look forward to the year that lies ahead for us.

The Zoolights 'A Knight at the Zoo' is looking to be a huge success and I wish to thank everyone who has stepped up to the call of arms for us, including our cousins from the North and South. The Zoo is so excited to have us there. They are giving us 125% of their time to help make this a fun night for both us and them. This is our opportunity to shine as an individual group. The Zoo is also providing free advertisements featuring the SCA on the radio and on their web pages. Vivat to the Zoo!

Solstice is upon us and I look forward the festivities that have been planned. This is the peerage of HE Dunkr as well. Lady Badahschia has a day of festivities planned and HE Sir Raven has a feast of feasts planned as well.

With Solstice begins the second year of Their Excellency's reign of the Barony. I wish to thank them for their splendid reign and wish them well in the year to come. 2015 looks to be a year of uprisings and wars. I know that under the protection of our Baron & Baroness, Loch Salann will prevail. I hope to see a magnificent showing of arms as we defend the Barony.

As a reminder - our very awesome Chronicler, Lord Jevan, has given notice of his intent to step down at Defender's Tourney. If this is an office that you be interested in doing, please contact him or myself. The Barony is still looking for members of the populace that would be interested in serving as a deputy in the many positions that are open.

Officers are the backbone of the society, and are also what keeps us functioning as a whole. No one person can do it alone. Many hands make light work for the rest of us. Please consider joining with the 'force' that is the Barony and help keep the dream alive for all of us.

Season's Greetings to All,

Baroness Sheelaegh mac Cathail
Seneschal – Barony of Loch Salann



CHRONICLER

Greetings Quill readers!

I have had the pleasure of serving our great Barony as your Chronicler for the past two years and I feel it is time for me to find a suitable replacement, it is time to pass the torch to someone new and maybe try new things myself.

If you are interested in learning more about this position please do not hesitate to contact me at chronicler@loch-salann.org or 801-897-2369.

Lord Jevan Arthgen de Berwyn
Chronicler – Barony of Loch Salann



MINISTER OF ARTS & SCIENCES

Season's Greetings unto you and yours
of the great barony of loch Salann!

Please bring your Arts and Sciences projects, at any stage of completion, to Solstice Court for our open display! Please bring your work to share and help us all to celebrate the talent of the barony! Bring your projects in any medium to get some informal feedback. No documentation needed! I wish to encourage and support you in your creativity and celebrate your efforts, be it your first project or your 1000th!

We will hold a class on site regarding judging and how to enter a formal AnS competition to help artisans and judges alike to prepare for the baronial AnS championship at Defenders Tourney. Judges, please contact me so I may coordinate with you and learn from your experience! Guild masters, please encourage your folks to showcase their work and celebrate your artisans as they increase their rank in your guilds!

Yours in service to the Dream,

Lord Æylwin de Spencer
Minister of Arts & Sciences – Barony of Loch Salann



KNIGHT MARSHALL

Greetings unto the ancient and
honorable Barony of Loch Salann!

Due to unforeseen circumstances, Loch Salann remains without a practice site for the winter. While the NW Rec center was a good experiment, low attendance and poor feedback has proved it to be impracticable for continued use. If you know of a location that might be suitable and consistently available, please contact our Seneschal Jeanne Warr or myself.

Until then, I encourage our good fighters to visit our friends of PAF to the South on Tuesday or BGL on Thursday. If you don't mind the drive, and would like to keep Wednesday for fighting, CdC holds their practice this night.

Yours in service,

Lord Connal O'Doibhilin
Knight Marshal – Barony of Loch Salann

Solstice 2014

The summer crops have been laid away and preparations have been made; the longest night is nigh at hand. It is time to gather and celebrate before the long cold winter settles in. Come one, come all and join us, the Barony of Loch Salann, as we share warmth, food and laughter at our Solstice court, December 13, 2014.

Sing songs, tell tales, bring poetry to share, to delight and to inspire. Participate in the cribbage or the chess tournament. This time of year, as the outside turns dark and gray, we find comfort and joy in making our interior spaces beautiful as a reminder that winter does not last forever and in fact, the Solstice is a renewal. Bring your decorations and help make the hall beautiful.

And let us not forget the youth! Lady Arianna and m'Lady Arabella have activities planned to keep the kids entertained and help get their creative juices flowing. A visit from Father Christmas could even be in order for well-behaved boys and girls!

A soup fundraiser lunch will be held benefiting the youth program.

Feast will be provided by HE Sir Raven who is planning a fabulous Scandinavian inspired feast. Menu to follow.

Site fees

Adults (18 and older)- \$8.00

Children (17 and under)- Guests of the Barony

Non-Member surcharge- \$5.00

Feast Fees

Adults (16 and older)- \$7.00

Youth (15 - 6)- \$4.00

Children (5 and under)- free

There are NO feast reservations, any money that is sent will be returned to the sender.

Schedule *(More to follow, subject to change)*

Site Opens – 9 am

Opening Court- 10 am

Site Closes- 10 pm

Site Location: Discovery Christian Church --5929 South 900 East Murray, Utah

Site is wet and flames are allowed (no bonfires in the chapel please), NO pets

Event Steward: Lady Badahschia (Ivy Turney)

Feast Steward: HE Sir Raven MacLeod (Jeff Crow)

Zoo Lights



WE NEED YOU!!! On Saturday December 6th we have an amazing opportunity to put the SCA on display! Hogle Zoo has invited the SCA to participate in their yearly promo called "ZooLights". This will be a wonderful opportunity to display to the community what we are all about. We will have HEATED pavilion where we can demonstrate many of our Artisan skills! The southern pewter castors will be demonstrating as will the Loch Salann Blacksmiths! There will be areas for fighting! Armored combat demos and Rapier demos are needed!

We need more!!! We need singers! We need musicians! We need calligraphy and illumination displays! We need artisans to show their stuff! We need you!!!

YES you! Dressed in your beautiful garb adding ambiance to the occasion!

Come dressed in your garb and you will get into the Zoo for **FREE!**

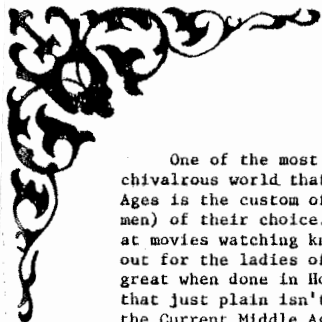
You don't have to be a member of the Barony of Loch Salann to participate! All are welcome! Come help us make this an incredible demo!

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Yours in service,

Lady Aingeal inghean Garaidh

In the early years of the Barony, before it even was a barony, many great and wonderful articles were printed in the pages of *The Questing Quill*. We, the Chroniclers, thought that to seek out these past articles for reprinting, would not only be enjoyable for the populace, but also could be most helpful to those who have recently joined our game. And so, from time to time, over the next few months, please enjoy the wisdom and fun that has come from our most experienced members.



Favors

One of the most romantic and entertaining aspects of this gallant and chivalrous world that we have chosen to enjoy here in the Current Middle Ages is the custom of ladies bestowing favors upon the gentleman (or gentlemen) of their choice. Most of us have, at one time or another, sat enthralled at movies watching knights thunder up on their chargers and hold their lances out for the ladies of their choice to place her favor on. The scene looks great when done in Hollywood with Janet Leigh and Tony Curtis playing it, but that just plain isn't the way it was done in the Middle Ages or is done in the Current Middle Ages.

First of all, the choice of which gentleman to favor, or indeed whether she chooses to favor anyone is the province of the lady. Much effort is often expended on the favor and some ladies are very sensitive about who wears it. To ease some of the heart-burnings and clear up confusion, let's go over what the courtesies are in handling favors.

LADIES - First of all....realize that asking a gentleman to bear your favor into combat to encourage him is not an unmaidenly profession of undying love. It merely means that you wish him well. (Now you can most certainly feel free to work out a closer and more enduring relationship based on other things, but don't panic at the idea of offering your favor to a gentleman.) In the shire it is generally expected that any gentleman who acquits himself honorably on the Field would have the good wishes of any or all of the ladies for Chivalry....and so would likely be favored. It is perfectly correct to offer your favor to a gentleman already bearing one unless there is some special reason that he wishes to bear only one. (For example, he is fighting in the List for Crown or Coronet or perhaps it is a very special challenge match where it is only correct to wear one favor.) If this is a special case, he will almost undoubtedly explain courteously. But when you are offering your favor to a gentleman, YOU are honoring HIM. So don't sidle up to him and slap it in his hand and retire in a confusion of giggles. Remember -- any gallant gentleman of the SCA will only be flattered that you wish him well. So walk up and say something along the lines of, "Milord, would you honor me by bearing my favor in the coming bout?". Unless he is a churl or has an unusual reason, he should accept it delightedly. Then you help him find a place to wear it where it will make it through the combat in one piece. And once you have asked a gentleman to bear your favor for a bout --- **PAY ATTENTION!** You have said by bestowing your favor that you are interested in how he does, so at least have the courtesy to watch. Usually he will be saluting you before beginning, so be visible. When he returns your favor after the bout (usually with thanks and some graceful words about it inspiring him to greater strength) accept it graciously. Also be aware that if your lord is not a fighter it is correct to make a favor and ask him to bear it as a sign of your regard, whether or not he ever plans to swing a sword.

GENTLEMEN - When a lady asks you to bear her favor in combat, it is considered by any gentleman to be a great honor. But remember --- SHE is the one to do the asking. Unless you have a "special understanding" with this particular lady, it is far more courteous to refrain from asking for her favor. (Of course, there is nothing against dropping a few gentlemanly hints if there is a particular lady who has caught your eye.) If a lady should approach you with a favor trailing from her fingers, be very gracious. She is probably feeling very shy because it is a situation where she must take the initiative and she is probably unsure of herself. Unless you are in the List for Crown or Coronet or have a special challenge to fight where you would deem it incorrect to bear extra favors, it is perfectly correct for you to accept and wear as many favors as there are ladies who wish to bestow them. Naturally, were you fighting in Crown or Coronet Lists, you would only wish to wear the favor of the lady you hope to make your Queen or Princess. Any lady who has this explained to her will understand. One very important thing to remember, however, is that a lady offering her favor to you is not proposing marriage, an illicit relationship or even long-standing friendship. It means simply and clearly that she finds you an honorable man and wishes you well in this bout. So it is very important for the sake of courtesy that you return her favor promptly after the bout unless she has asked you to wear it longer. You will wish to thank her for her good wishes and the strength that her support lent your sword arm.

There you have it....This colorful custom is very much a part of this chivalrous life in the SCA, so those of you who have been uncertain of how to participate, go to it!



Arts & Sciences Showcase

This month I would like to place the spotlight on Baronial Bardic Night, commonly referred to as Bardic at Amanda's.

The Barony of Loch Salann has a long standing tradition of the bardic arts, stemming from our dear fatherland of Atenvelt and sharing the Dream of many a storyteller and troubadour across the great lands of the SCA.

I grew up in the Midrealm and shared many a story and song at Pennsic and events across the East and Atlantia. The greatest long-standing impact on my SCA memory are the fond thoughts of sitting around a campfire or being in a feast hall listening to tales and singing songs of days gone by. It is hard to surpass the inspired loyalty and love of songs such as Fair Lady Atlantia or to hear the tales of Roland and Charlemagne, Scottish border ballads, French or Spanish love songs, cantigas de amor. We all love a good tale of ... There I was, how I came to the Dream of the SCA, as we build more memories and make long-standing friendships. Music and stories unite us all in a way that few other experiences can.

Upon my arrival to Artemisia I was welcomed with stories and songs such as Flower of the Desert and numerous others that touched my heart and told me that I was home. I am never disappointed at events where bards are encouraged to share their trade. I am inspired; I am impassioned; I am transported to the Dream that welcomes us all here together.

The bardic tradition in this great barony carries on at events, at practices and at our very homes. Come join us all in the sharing of the Dream! Share a story, sing a ballad or simply sit and listen to other do the same. I welcome you to join me and Amanda at our home the last Sunday of every month and share with us your Dream!

Lord Æylwin de Spencer
Minister of Arts & Sciences – Barony of Loch Salann



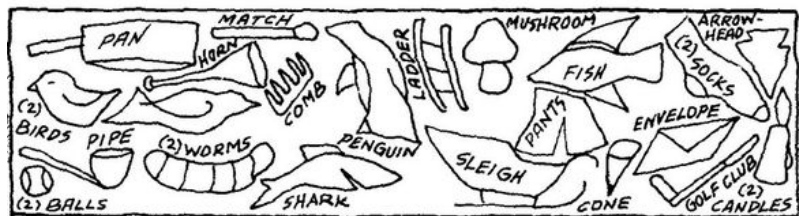
Youth Corner

ATTENTION YOUTH!!

Our monthly activity will be on December 15th from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm. We will be working on catapults. We will be having our activity at Hunter Library located at 4740 West 4100 South in West Valley. If you are able to attend, please let Lady Arianna Rhosyn know. She can be reached at youth@loch-salann.org or at 801-897-7412.

Solstice Court can use our youth to help service feast. I know some of our youth are only missing this one activity to be able to earn their Bee Charm. Let's see if we can get this accomplished! If you are not sure if you need this activity, please contact Lady Arianna Rhosyn and she can let you know for sure. We will be having activities and could use the help of our youth in the Barony to help with these activities.

If you are interested, please contact Lady Arianna.



ARCHERY

We are now shooting at our indoor range located at Salt Lake Archery in the Sugarhouse Park area, 1130 Wilmington Avenue, Salt Lake City, Utah 84106, (801-486-8242) (Cost is \$6 each session).

Check out the Loch Salann Archery facebook page for updates and weekly shoot information at: <http://www.loch-salann.org/blog/activities/archery-practice/> or <https://www.facebook.com/groups/258853954213137>. You can contact m'Lord Vladislav Korsakov (Josh Stem), Captain of the Archers at 801-618-6636 or by email at BlueFox801@gmail.com.

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More information will be posted on the Baronial Facebook page and the Loch-Salann.org website. Contact information for Lord Aeylwin de Spencer by email at albertwise@hotmail.com.

BARONIAL BARDIC CIRCLE

The Bardic Circle will be holding monthly meetings on the 4th Sunday of each month at the home of HE Amanda de Spencer. Contact Robin de Spencer for additional information 801-520-5481 (no calls after 9 please).

BREWER'S GUILD

The Brewer's Guild will hold meetings approximately every six weeks. Announcements will be made on Facebook pages and on the Baronial Website. The meetings will be held on Friday evenings and will be at the home of HE Dunkr.

COOK'S GUILD

Additional information will be posted on the facebook pages for Loch Salann and Loch Salann Arts & Sciences, plus on the Loch Salann baronial website. Please contact Mistress Casamira by email at jeannecas@gmail.com or by phone 801-572-6458 (speak to the Machine) if you have questions.

FIGHTER PRACTICE

Fighter Practice is currently on hold and we are looking for a new winter location.

If you have questions, contact the Knight Marshall, Lord Conall O'Doibhilin by email at kmarshal@loch-salann.org or by phone at 801-448-2734.

GARDENING GUILD

The Gardening Guild will be meeting on Sundays in the upcoming months. Information will be posted for upcoming meetings, but please feel free to contact the Guild Leader for additional information.

Contact information for Mistress Leah, email: holdtyte1@aol.com

MIDDLE EASTERN DANCE AND DRUMMER'S GUILD

The Dance and Drummer's Guild is currently on hiatus. Once it starts up again, Lady Zafirah will post dates and times for meetings, but please feel free to contact her if you have questions. Contact Lady Zafirah: 801-971-2308 or

zemlar@hotmail.com for additional information or changes.

MUSICIAN'S GUILD

The Musician's Guild continues to meet on Thursday evenings at either the home of Mistress Anne de Junius, or Mistress Mary Amanda. For question about your instrument or the activities of the guild, please contact Mistress Anne. If you can't meet for practice, your musical talents are still most welcome at events. Contacts: Mistress Anne de Junius 801-466-7300.

NEEDLEWORKER'S GUILD

We meet at the home of her Excellency Jennet Moir de Brechin at: 2531 North Mountain Glen Road, Pine Canyon, UT 84074, if you need more info or have questions you can contact her Excellency Jennet at 435-882-0790 or email her at magpie.janet@gmail.com.

THROWN WEAPONS

Thrown Weapons is now being held on Tuesday nights at Lady Amhran's Keep in West Jordan at 2315 w 7625 s. If you have questions, contact Lord Rashied al Wahiel by email at Mtm021053@aol.com or by phone at 801-243-4663.

SOUTHERN PEWTER CASTER'S GUILD

Southern Pewter Caster's Guild currently meets on the 2nd Tuesday and 4th Monday at the home of THL Oonaugh Please contact her for additional information 801-898-7829.

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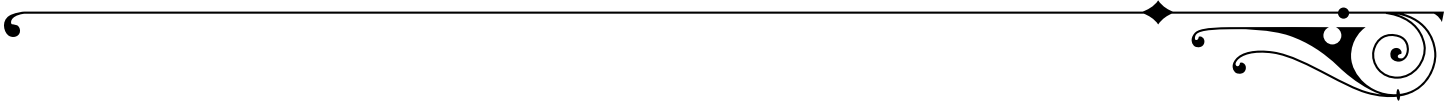
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Submissions are not only welcome, they are encouraged! Be a part of the newsletter, reach the people, share your knowledge and wisdom.

Please send all submissions to the Chronicler Lord Jevan Arthgen de Berwyn at chronicler@loch-salann.org. Please include Questing Quill in the subject line. Submissions must be received by the 27th of each month to guarantee they will appear in the following month's issue.

