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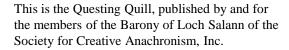












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Submissions are not only welcome, they are encouraged! Be a part of the newsletter, reach the people, share your knowledge and wisdom.

Please send all submissions to the Chronicler at chronicler@loch-salann.org. Please include Questing Quill in the subject line. Thank you!





# A message from the Baron and Baroness



## With Pride and Joy

In this, our final missive as Baron and Baroness, We Ælwynn and Amanda send our greetings of joy as We bid ye a very fond farewell as your landed baronage. It has been a sincere honor to serve the greatest Barony in the Known World and we thank each and every member for your energy, your passion, and your support these past three years. Though words cannot possibly do justice to the sentiments We feel, I shall to do my devoir to lay them out.

These past three years have been a wonderful blur, yet could serve as a lifetime of glorious memories and friendships. Dear reader, as you already well know, Loch Salann is verily the cornerstone of Artemisia, with a history dating back to our fatherlands of the Outlands and Atenvelt, when our founding Baroness
Ferilith MacDonald and founding Baron
Robert de Spencer first sat the thrones. This
year as we celebrate our 40th baronial
birthday, we ask you to join us at Solstice
Court on December 8th and share with one
and all the proud history and pageantry that is
the Barony of Loch Salann. Come to bear
witness to the ascension of Baron Hogar
Hanson, 14th Baron, and Baroness Bronwyn
Morgan, the 15th Baroness of Loch Salann.

In support of the Dream, we have traveled far and wide to celebrate with you and our beloved cousins in all the lands of Artemisia. When here at home, the Loch has always shown heart and hospitality second to none.

# A message from the Baron and Baroness

We have been blessed to support the many groups around Artemisia, from the warm family-style welcome in the Province of Arrow's Flight, the playful joy of time spent in Gryphon's Lair, the fun and adventure with 1000 Eyes, Arn Hold, Sentinel's Keep, to witnessing the birth of our newest Gryphon Barony of Bronze Helm. We have been blessed to spend time with friends in Cote du Ciel, Silver Keep, and even to share the budding dream in the Southern Lands of Artemisia and in Dragonsmarch, as they rekindle the flames to renew and establish new groups.

We have been blessed and honored to follow Their Majesties on campaign to the foreign lands in the South to Caid in the Talon and Crescent War and to the far north in An Tir for Honor War, to the East in the Outlands for Battlemor, and even to the Kingdom of the Middle for the SCA 50 year celebration.

Wherever we went, the Baronial banner flew proud and strong. In every turn we have been greeted with compassion, love, and support and it is our deepest hope that we have represented well and brought honor to our fair lands and to you, good populace of the Loch. It truly has been a pleasure to serve in this role and we endeavor to keep living the Dream with you for many years yet to come!

In service we remain ever Ælwynn and Amanda



# A Message from the Incoming Baron and Baroness



Unto the Barony of Loch Salann,

We would like to thank you all for your confidence in us and allowing us to serve you as Baron and Baroness.

We are looking forward to celebrating forty years since the discovery of civilization in the Great Salt Waste with pageantry and stories promoting the history of the Barony as well as making new stories that will become part of our shared history.

Please feel free to approach us with any questions, concerns, or ideas you may have that will enrich our Barony.

Yours in Service,

Hogar and Bronwyn

# Solstice Court



"A tale is but half told when only one person tells it."

The Saga of Grettir the Strong:

Once upon a time there was a land, barren of the dream until did Ferilith MacDonald come from the far reaches of Drachenvaldt and shined the light of the Society in the Salty Lands that came to be known as Loch Salann. Since that time many seasons have come and gone and the dream still shines and grows because of the people who have drawn near it.

Come one and all, AElwynn and Amanda, 13th Baron and 14th Baroness of Loch Salann holding the lands in the name of the King and Queen of all Artemisia, invite you, as they step down, to a two-fold celebration- the 40th birthday of the Barony and the investiture of Hogar Hansen and Bronwyn Morgan, as the 14th Baron and 15th Baroness of Mighty Loch Salann.

For 40 years has the Great Barony stood sharing our Service, our Arts and Sciences, and our Chivalry while protecting all from the Great Brine Shrimp. There are many "No kidding-there we were" moments, and we wish you to come share your stories and celebrate our 40th birthday. For three years have AElwynn and Amanda held these lands for the Crown and have been honored to serve the most wonderful people in the Known World but it is time for them to pass the mantle and for the Age of Hogar and Bronwyn to begin. Come and rejoice that the dream may continue and grow.





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# Solstice Court







There will be history displays – please bring items to show. There will be an Arts and Sciences display themed Then and Now. Our own Musicians Guild will be providing live dance music. There will be period games, youth activities, a visit from Father Christmas, a grand procession, and a scavenger hunt based on the history of our wonderful Barony! Holdtyte is sponsoring a table decorating competition for the feast—the theme is Baronial History. So gather your household and be creative in expressing the joy of our game and the history of the barony.

Feast is being prepared by the Crystal Bloom and the Youth of the Barony under the watchful eye of His Excellency Johann Wolfblut. Menu will be posted as the event draws nearer. If you have any specific dietary concerns please send a message to jay\_pease@comcast.net.

The site is discreetly damp.

Date: December 8, 2018

Site will open at 9:30am and closes at

11pm

Location: Prophet Elias Greek Orthodox Church 5335 S Highland Dr, Holladay, UT

84117.

Adult registration - \$19 Adult Member Discount Registration - \$14

Feast fee is \$12 for adults - \$5 for children ages 10 and under.

Please make checks payable to "SCA, Inc-Barony of Loch Salann".

Autocrat: Vigdis Hakonsdottir (aka Mellane McCammon) – Phone 916-599-1433 – mellane30@gmail.com



# University of Loch Salann



The University of Loch Salann, meets on the last Thursday of the Month ( with the exception of Thursday between Christmas and New Years). Our campus is located at 2359 East Cavalier Drive (7305 South). We have several areas available for classes: A fairly large lower hall open for dance or fencing etc, a well lite room with a large table that seats 8 to 10 people for crafts, a dining room that seats about 6 people, a kitchen, and a discussion area that seats a bout 10 people (the front room). In addition we have a metal shop. And weather permitting a. Court yard out side.

Classes generally run from 7:00 PM-9:00 PM, Classes will be held on the following dated 29 Nov, 31 Jan, 28 Feb. 28 Mar,25 Apr, 30 May, Traditionally classes then break for summer vacation and re-open again on September 27th.

We need teachers to teach any classes that might be interesting. Dance, cooking,. Garb, fighting, and any esoteric subjects that would just be fun to learn about and discuss. Classes are also often held for the candidates of the (Flower of Chivalry) Fluer de Ore. Any and all classes. Teachers please contact Mst Leah de Spencer at

holdtyte1@aol.com.

The University provides a wonderful, small class opportunity to try out classes you are thinking of teaching at collegium, or other more high pressure venues. Or simply subjects that would be fun to explore and learn about. We also are interested in things you might be interested in learning about and we will try to find teachers. For example we are looking for a teacher to teach about Tourney set-up and the various forms and things a good list minister might need to know ( anyone out there who would like to teach that class?

For this of you who might be interested in earning credit toward a degree from the University of Loch Salann, please see the Kingdom web-site for more information.

Yours In Service, Leah de Spencer



# Bacon Bits



Greetings! Perhaps we've met? I'm your new Chronicler, Lawrence Bacon. I wanted to write a brief introduction and offer great praise and thanks to our chronicler who has just stepped down, Lady Rhianna ingen Cathail, for her past two years of excellent service writing the Quill.

This season is a season of change and renewal, with the coming of the 40<sup>th</sup> Birthday of the Barony, a new Baron and Baroness ascending the thrones, and a new Questing Quill.

Change can be challenging, but it can also be refreshing. Please join us in this time of harvest, and time of change, as we all grow together, and reflect on both the accomplishments of our past, and the promise of our future.

The Questing Quill written in service to you, the Barony, and as such, I hope you will help grow and shape it. I am happy to aid in editing and writing, for any who wish to share their thoughts, experiences, and ideas with the Barony.

If you feel there is something new that the Quill could provide, I hope you will reach out to me, and let me know how I may best help share your stories, and chronical the evergrowing history of our beloved Barony.

Yours in Service

Lawrence Bacon

Chronicler of the Barony of Loch Salann



# Alix's Kitchen



# 3 Candy Recipes From The Middle Ages--SWEET!

These are 3 recipes that were used (adapted to the modern cook) in the Renaissance, Middle Ages, and before. Sweets were reserved for special holidays as the cost of sugar was extremely high (see sections 4 and 5) so when a person received a small piece of candy it was a VERY BIG DEAL. Enjoy the short history lesson and taste history!

## **Fruit Candy**

#### **Ingredients**

1 pound raisins
½ pound dates
1 cup walnut pieces
1 orange rind
½ pound figs
1 ½ cup pitted prunes
½ cup orange juice

#### Option

Dipping in melted milk chocolate (not really period as milk chocolate wasn't "discovered" until 1887 by Daniel Peter

http://whatscookingamerica.net/History/MilkChocolate.html)

#### **Directions:**

- 1) Grate the orange rind into a large mixing bowl.
- 2) Grind the walnuts finely and add to the orange rind mixture. Set aside.
- 3) Grind the raisins, dates, figs, and prunes together and add to the orange rind mixture.
- 4) Add the orange juice to the fruit mixture and set aside.
- 5) Stir the mixture and when well mixed shape into balls or flat bars.
- 6) Allow candy to stand 24 hours at room temperature\*.
- 7) If you wish to coat in chocolate: melt milk chocolate over a double boiler or in a microwave, dip the fruit candy and refrigerate to harden the chocolate. When hardened store in a sealed container.



# Alix's Kitchen



## **Honey Candy**

#### **Ingredients**

2 cups honey

½ cup molasses

½ cup sugar

1 cup heavy cream

#### **Directions**

- 1) Combine all of the ingredients and cook slowly in a large saucepan.
- 2) When the mixture reaches the hard boil stage\* pour onto a greased platter (NOT plastic) and set aside to cool.
- 3) When cool enough to handle, grease or butter hands and pull candy until it reaches a golden color (like taffy).
- 4) Cut into pieces.
- \*The hard ball test is when a small amount of the candy is dropped into cold water and forms a hard ball.

## **Honey And Almond Candy**

#### **Ingredients**

2 cups sugar

1 cup ground almonds

½ cup almond slivers

3 Tablespoons honey

½ teaspoon ground ginger

2/3 cup of water

1 Tablespoon butter

#### **Directions**

- 1) Let the butter come to room temperature and then grease the piece of waxed paper for use later.
- 2) Cook the sugar, honey, and water together over a fairly low heat, stirring frequently. Stir until the syrup reaches a soft ball stage (about 234 degrees).
- 3) Cool it a little then beat it until it begins to stiffen.
- 4) Add the almonds and ginger to the mixture; stir together.
- 5) Pour out the candy onto lightly greased waxed paper and allow to cool.
- 6) When candy has hardened, slice and serve.





## **Archery**

Archery Practice is held every Thursday from 6:00 PM until approximately 8:00 PM.

Salt Lake Archery 1130 East Wilmington Ave, Salt Lake City, UT 84106

\*Note: Range fees are \$6 per person at this location.

For further information, please contact the Captain of Archers at <a href="mailto:archery@loch-salann.org">archery@loch-salann.org</a> or online at

## **Arts & Sciences**

More information will be posted on the Baronial Facebook page and the Loch-Salann.org website. Contact for more information: Heloys de Bec - email at <a href="mailto:moas@loch-salann.org">moas@loch-salann.org</a>

#### **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).

# **Blacksmithing Guild**

Join the Blacksmithing Guild as we learn and develop our skills in this fine art. We meet the first Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm at Lord Heinrich Eisen's shop. Feel free to contact him directly at 801.808.2897 or <a href="mailto:danielsonartworks@gmail.com">danielsonartworks@gmail.com</a>

Also, join us on Facebook for more news and discussions. <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/722919054394386/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/722919054394386/</a>

#### **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**

Armored Combat (Heavy Fighting) and Rapier Combat practice is held every Tuesday from 8:15 PM until 10:15 PM.

We are currently at our Winter location located at: **Crossfit SpearHead** 4540 S Highland Drive, Holladay, Ut 84117

\*Note: There is a \$3 fee per person.

For further information, please contact the Knight Marshall at

kmarshal@loch-salann.org



# **Gardening Guild**

The Gardening Guild is currently on hiatus. Please contact the Minister of Arts & Sciences if you'd like to participate or help run this guild.





## **Middle Easter Dance and Drummers 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 is led by Mistress Anne de Junius (June Olsen), and will be meeting (for the foreseeable future) on Thursdays at 7:00 pm at the home of Mistress Aldgyth atten Fennholme (Diane Keay) in the Avenues, 276 B St. SLC.

Everyone is welcome regardless of musical skill. We are a teaching guild and welcome beginners, and all that is required is a love of medieval music. If you can't meet for practice, your musical talents are still most welcome at events.

Contacts: Mistress Anne, 801-466-7300; Mistress Aldgyth, 801-598-7867; or Lady Gauden (Leah Sanford), 801-819-9814.

We also have a Facebook Group: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/901096403326655/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/901096403326655/</a> If you want to join the group go to the page and send us a request.

## Needleworker's Guild

The Needleworkers Guild meets on the first Wednesday of the month from 7-9 PM at the home of Mistress Bethoc du Cruford. Location 628 N. American Beauty Drive, Salt Lake City UT 84116. If you need more info or have questions you can contact Bethoc at 801.322.4984 or email her at leishman10@msn.com

The group has a Facebook Page Barony of Loch Salann

Needleworker's Guild <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/blsneedleworkers/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/blsneedleworkers/</a>





#### **Sothern Pewter Caster's Guild**

Southern Pewter Caster's Guild currently meets on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at the home of HE Oonaugh. Please contact her for additional information 801-898-7829.

## **Thrown Weapons**

Thrown Weapons practice is held every Thursday from 6:00 PM until approximately 8:00 PM.

We are currently at: 8775 Old Homestead Ln, West Jordan, UT 84088

For further information, please contact the Thrown Weapons Captain at thrownweapons@loch-salann.org

# **University of Loch Salann**

University of Loch Salann classes will be held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month, for more information please contact Leah de Spencer at holdtyte1@aol.com

Also, join us on Facebook for more news and discussions.

Do you have updates to your guild, or photo's of your guild or activity you wish to share?

Please send the information and attachments to chronicler@loch-salann.org

Thank you!



# Contact Information



## **Websites**

Barony of Loch Salann: http://www.loch-salann.org

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Official SCA Homepage: <a href="http://www.sca.org">http://www.sca.org</a>

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