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Please include Questing Quill in the subject line. Thank you!

# The Final Words from Hoggar and Bronwyn, stepping down Baron and Baroness of Loch Salann



Unto the populace of the Barony of Loch Salann do Hoggar and Bronwyn send greetings.

We hope to soon see an end to these Dark Ages and can meet in person once again. Until then we hope everyone has been able to join us at the virtual events. They are a lot of fun. There are also classes happening several times a week across the Know World. Though we must stay physically apart we can be together virtually. Many thanks to those who have taught a class, hosted a zoom room, or coordinated an event. The creativity and adaptability of the populace is amazing. An excellent example of this is the Digital Scavenger Hunt at Toys for Tots on Nov 7th was a stroke of genius. The pictures have been so much fun to look at. Because Toys for Tots was virtual the entire Kingdome was able to be involved and the resulting toy and monetary donations exceeded all expectations! Vivat!

We would like to thank one and all for your wells wishes as we dealt with several devastating personal issues in October. The love and support from everyone meant so

much to us.

We would also like to thank the populace for allowing us to serve you as Baron and baroness for the past two years. It was our honor to represent you to the Kingdom and the Known World. We hope we made you proud. It is a comfort knowing that we will be leaving you in the capable hands of Raven and Sajah. We know you will give them the same support you gave us.

Thank you one and all for everything.

Yours in Service to the Dream,

Hoggar and Bronwyn  
Baron and Baroness.



# Words from the New Baron and Baroness of Loch Salann



Unto the great and honorable populace of the Barony of Loch Salann do We Raven and Sajah send warmest greetings.

As we see the year of two thousand and twenty come to an end and the year two thousand and twenty-one draws nigh we are excited about what this new year has in store for us.

We are so very excited to walk forward into this new year of SCA history with you. Salah and I have been serving in the Barony of Loch Salann and the Kingdom of Artemisia for some small about of time and have seen a few things come and go. We are not surprised that we as a kingdom are renown for our efforts to continue to carry the flame of inspiration and joy the SCA brings into our lives, but we are very impressed and it is by the efforts both large and small, of everyone that will ensure that this dream that we each have our own part in will continue to weather the storm.

As you may know by the Board of Directors suspended all in person meetings until the end of March 2021 to help keep the Known World save from the ravages of Covid-19. We have been in consultation with Their

Majesties, Our Good Cousins, and the Seneschals to keep an active event lineup, for the time being Events have been moved into virtual spaces and if you haven't had a chance to attend one, We urge you to give it a try. It might feel a little bit awkward at first, but We think it feels a lot like sitting around the campfire at an event listening to stories and other talk from those who have joined us there.

As the pandemic continues to force us to be apart please remember that although we are going through this together, we are not experiencing this the same way. We may not all be in the same boat, but we are in the same storm. Transitioning to working from home with minimal disruptions has come more easily to some than others, some of us live alone and have lost the comfort of in person contact, some of us are still going into work daily and some of us have lost our jobs. The most important thing is to be patient with one another and accept that what is good for one person is not good for another.

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# Words from the New Baron and Baroness of Loch Salann Continued



Please be kind to each other. Please check in on your friends, especially those you know are alone. Take care of your mental health as well as your physical health.

We look forward to seeing our populace online at the Upcoming Bronzehelm Baronial Investiture on the 9th of January, at the Virtual 12th night bardic event sponsored by Gryphon's lair on the 16th of January as well as the queens prize on January 23rd. We as a Kingdom are continuing to try out new ways to have more interactive courts and activities during virtual events. Please be patient as we try new ideas. Some things will work, some won't and remember good things happen in court.

If you have suggestions for online virtual activities, we want to hear about them, please share.

A gentle reminder to all officers, reports are due to the Seneschal and your Kingdom counterpart on the first of the month and your presence is expected at the monthly forum/populace meeting on the 2nd Wednesday of every month. It was discussed at the last forum that officers

submit a quarterly article for the Questing Quill. Tell the Barony what your office requires, highlight an unknown facet of your job, or share a little bit about yourself. Make the Chronicler's job easier by giving him content for the Quill. The populace is also invited to send in articles for the Quill. Tell us why you joined the SCA. Tell us what fantastic research rabbit hole you've dove into. Pictures are welcome as well.

Stay safe, wash your hands, wear your mask and We'll see you in a Zoom Meeting soon.

Yours in Service to the Dream,  
Raven and Sajah – Baron & Baroness of  
Loch Salann

# Words from the Seneschal

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Hello all my long-lost friends and chosen family

First, I'd like to say I miss all your faces! I wish I could see everyone in person. I hate being on the computer and can't stand FB so I'm just waiting until we can all be together again. I hope everyone is healthy and happy.

I would like to say thank you to everyone in the barony, kingdom and, honestly, the known world for keeping the dream alive online through virtual classes, events, guild meetings, and all the wonderful things people have come up with to make the current world more tolerable. Your efforts have made a huge difference in the lives of SCA'ers and brought us all together while we have to be apart.

As you can see, the SCA is still moving along and we still need volunteers to fill positions. The positions we have need of are as follows:

Baronial exchequer – We need at least 1 deputy to train and get ready to take over the office. If we could get 2 or 3 deputies for this position, that would be ideal. Please reach out to their excellencies of Loch Salann, myself, or the current exchequer if you're interested or have questions.

Baronial seneschal – This office needs a deputy and would take over around March. I will stay on as deputy until whoever in the position feels

available for questions. Most that have been seneschal in the past are more than willing to help and answer questions.

Youth Combat – We have someone that is willing to continue reporting but doesn't fight. We need someone that can fight with the kids.

Quartermaster – We need a quartermaster. Our current quartermaster seems to have more pressing matters to attend to....like being a Baron. Please contact myself, the current B&B, or the incoming B&B for more information.

Thrown weapons – A captain is needed! Do you like to throw sharp objects? If so, you could be the perfect fit for this position. Please contact us if you're interested.

Please remember you do NOT need experience to volunteer for any of these positions. We are a team, even when we're not in office. You will not be alone. We train, we answer questions, we cook, we clean, we guide, we are happy to help.

Until we are together again,

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Small print – We don't actually cook or clean, but we'll do the other stuff.



# Baronial Populace Meeting

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Here Ye, here ye! Their Excellencies of the Barony of Loch Salann invite you to the Baronial Populace Meeting, the second Wednesday of each month!

Due to Covid-19, all meetings will be web-based. Meetings will be posted with information and links for joining.

Baronial Populace Meetings offer the populace the unique opportunity to not simply witness, but participate in the running of the Barony, and the direction for its future.

While the global pandemic has affected us all, every voice still matters in this Barony. Meetings may be accessed online via PC, or your smart phone. Please see the Baronial Facebook Page for the most up to date information.

Your thoughts matter! As a member of the populace, the leadership needs to hear from you. By understanding how the Baron and Baroness, Seneschal, and all Baronial officers' function, you can better learn how you can participate in the workings of the Barony.

The Dream doesn't happen without you. Come help and be a part in making the Dream of Loch Salann real!



# Help Wanted

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No great machine may function without all its parts, and likewise, no Barony can remain great without the help of many hands.

The Questing Quill offers you an opportunity to look for places to serve within the Barony, or request aid yourself! If you are looking for an opportunity to serve, please consider some of these new entrants to maintain the Dream, and the Barony of Loch Salann.

Help Wanted in the Barony of Loch Salann:

All other Baronial Officers are currently looking for deputies so please check with the various Officers for an exciting opportunity to learn and serve!

The Barony requires a deputy **Exchequer**. Please speak reach out to their Excellencies, the Seneschal, or the current Exchequer for details.

The Barony is in need of a new **Quartermaster**! Please enquire with their Excellencies for details.

The Barony seeks a new **Webminister**! Our current Webminister has worked

diligently and beyond the call of duty, and is overdue for a chance to rest. For details, please inquire with Jevin de Berwyn.

The Barony is looking for **Event Stewards** for the 2021 Defenders event. Please inquire to learn how you can be an Event Steward.

The Barony seeks a new **Seneschal** to take over in March. Please speak with the current Seneschal for details.

A Captain is needed for **Thrown Weapons**! Do you like sharp objects? Then this could be the job for you!

**Youth Combat** – We have someone who is willing to continue reporting, but does not fight. Please enquire with their Excellencies.

Do YOU have something you need help with? Post it in the Questing Quill! It's the right price, and a great way to find the help you need to make the Dream real.





# Bacon Bits

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My Dear Friends from Afar,

This strange year continues to be strange, endlessly odd, and sadly difficult for us all. The effects of social distancing have not gone unnoticed; both the positive health effects of keeping one another safe, and the heartbreaking devastation of learning to live separate from one another for so long.

Our beloved events, an anchor of joy for many of us in this difficult world, have yet been further postponed to May 31st, in an effort to keep everyone as safe and healthy as possible. Your sacrifice, yes, yours, is profound, but the effects of safety can not be dismissed. It is vital we just hang on a little longer.

This year has taught many lessons, most of them difficult. However, if there is one thing I have learned through all of this, it has been hope.

Today, my message is one of hope for the future. Right now, there is still conflicts in the mundane world; hospitals are overwhelmed, front line workers are exhausted, and politics always seem to be in a quagmire. However, a vaccine is on the horizon, and has begun to be distributed with positive effects. Progress is being made on all fronts. The SCA has held together, and found new ways to unite virtually, and maintain contact with one another.

I apologize for the delay in this newsletter. As your Chronicler, I meant to have this out in November, well before the transition from Baron Hogar and Baroness Bronwyn to Baron Raven and Baroness Sajah, all of whom deserve a far greater acknowledgement of their services in these troubled times. Covid-19 has upended my life in ways I cannot begin to describe, but this year has enriched it as well.

I myself hope to be passing on my mantle to one Dirk de Jaeger, whom I'll be training in the art of the Quill. Should he wish it, Bacon Bits will still come along quarterly, along with the flavor that he will no doubt bring to this wonderful newsletter.

In the meantime, hold on to hope. Reach out to one another as safely as you can. Hold on to the dream, and remember that it will be brought back to life, soon.

Facebook and the Websites will have all the details as things change.

Thank you, friends, for allowing me to serve as your Baronial Chronicler. Thank you for keeping one another safe. Thank you for being a part of the SCA, and my experience. Thank you, with all my heart.

I wish you Happy Holidays, and may 2020 remain... hindsight!

-Lawrence

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# Guilds and Activities

## Archery

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

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For further information, please contact the Captain of Archers at [archery@loch-salann.org](mailto:archery@loch-salann.org)



## Arts & Sciences

More information will be posted on the Baronial Facebook page and the Loch-Salann.org website. Contact for more information: Maysun al-Isfahaniyya - email at [moas@loch-salann.org](mailto:moas@loch-salann.org)

## 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 [danielsonartworks@gmail.com](mailto:danielsonartworks@gmail.com)

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

## 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.

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## 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](mailto:jeannecas@gmail.com) or by phone 801-572-6458 (speak to the Machine) if you have questions.

## Fighter Practice

Armored Combat and Steel Combat practice is held every Tuesday from 7:00 PM until 9:00 PM.

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For further information, please contact the Knight Marshall at [kmarshal@loch-salann.org](mailto: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.

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## 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: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/901096403326655/> 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](mailto:leishman10@msn.com)

The group has a Facebook Page Barony of Loch Salann

Needleworker's Guild <https://www.facebook.com/groups/blsneedleworkers/>





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## Southern Pewter Casters Guild

Southern Pewter Casters 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 is held every Thursday from 6:00 PM until approximately 8:00 PM.

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## 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](mailto: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](mailto:chronicler@loch-salann.org)

Thank you!

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# Contact Information



## Websites

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**Out of respect for all our officers, please,  
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