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We cannot begin to express our pride and gratitude for the members of the Baronial family who made the trip to Crown Tourney. We had six couples in Crown Tourney, seven fighters in Queen's Rapier Tourney (including two in the semi-finals), and four in the Warlord's Tourney. The honor and chivalry with which all of them comported themselves was awe inspiring. We truly believe that SunDragon boasts the finest individuals that the Kingdom of Atenveldt has in its populace.

Next we have to look forward to what may very well be the busiest and most popular event on the Baronial Calendar, Baronial Champion and Chatelaine/Steward and Anniversary. We have already started receiving letters of intent for both Champion and Chatelaine. We look forward to even more in the upcoming month leading up to the event. Please remember that you must submit a letter of intent prior to the event if you are entering for Champion or Chatelaine/Steward, you may submit a

From the Baroness and Baron

verbal intent during the event if you wish to compete for style champions or court or guard, and you must be authorized prior to the event in whatever fighting events you choose to enter. Please look elsewhere in this newsletter and various electronic communication methods for further details.

The Barony will be a very busy place over the next 7 months. We have Baronial Champions and Chatelaine, Rainbows Bridge event, Baronial 30 Year Celebration and Solstice, and War Practice all coming up. We also have a polling coming up soon. In October the letter from the Kingdom will be published detailing the process for applying to run for Baron and Baroness (look elsewhere in this newsletter, on the Baronial webpage, and in the official Baronial electronic mediums for further details). In November or December those couples accepted by the Crown will be made known and will be given opportunities to meet with the populace. In January at the War Practice the polling for the new Baroness and Baron of SunDragon will be held. We and our Heirs will work together through Estrella War 30 and Mixed Weapons War and will then see the stepping down and stepping up courts in April.

Viola

Wilhelus

Baroness

Baron

September Courts

Crown tourney:

Red honor - Martin de Gras

Baroness Esteem: Martin de Gras

September court night:

Ladies choice: M'lord Gottfrey

Lords choice: not in attendance

Baronial Progress

10/05/13 Pillage, Poke, Plunder SGH

10/07/13 Baronial Officers and Financial Committee Meetings

10/11-13/13 Great Western War (Caid)

10/19-20/13 Dragon's Horde (BTY)

10/25-27/13 Champion and Chatelaine (BSD)

11/02-03/13 Coronation and King's and Queen's Champions

11/04/13 Baronial Officers and Financial Committee Meetings

11/07-11/13 Southern Crusades

11/17/13 Baronial Court Night and Rapier Burning Ship Tourney

11/23/13 Aten University

Guidelines for Baronial Letters of Intent and Baronial Polling

Letters of Intent

Unto the populace of the Barony of SunDragon: Their Excellencies, Viola and Wilhelus, will soon complete their warrant. Therefore, in accordance with Kingdom Law, The Crown is accepting Letters of Intent, from qualified couples, who wish to be considered as candidates for the position of Baron and Baroness. To be eligible for this position, candidates must be paid members of the SCA and reside within the zip codes assigned to the Barony of SunDragon. Letters of Intent should be sent to the Crown with copies to the Kingdom Seneschal and the current Baron and Baroness of SunDragon. Letters may be sent by either US Mail or email.

Letters of intent must be received by November 5, 2013

- The following information must be included in your Letter of Intent:
- Full contact information that includes both modern and SCA names, complete mailing address, phone number(s), and email addresses
- Proof of current membership
- A statement of your reasons for seeking the position
- A statement of your plans and dreams for the future of the Barony
- A brief statement of your history of participation in the Barony and

within the SCA

- A statement that you fully understand the responsibilities of the positions of Baron and Baroness and that you are willing to commit to a three year term of office
- A statement that you understand that, if accepted as a candidate by the Crown, your Letter of Intent will be published in the Baronial newsletter.

Polling

A polling of the current paid members of the SunDragon will be conducted on January 5, 2014 at Kingdom War Practice. The polling will begin at Noon and will last until 1:30. If the results of that polling do not show a clear preference, a second run-off polling will be held immediately following the closing and tabulation of ballots from the first poll. Members are encouraged to remain onsite should a second poll be necessary.

To participate in the polling, you must possess a valid SCA membership that is listed in the zip codes assigned to the Barony of SunDragon and be eighteen years of age or older.

Current membership will be verified on a membership list at the polling site, or you may present an online membership renewal confirmation that is dated after the Milpitas Registry Office list was generated. A driver's license or government picture ID will also be required to be shown to prove age and identity.

There may be some SCA members who do not reside within the zip codes currently assigned to the Barony of SunDragon but who play exclusively in the Barony of SunDragon and consider themselves as **active members** of the group. These individual will be allowed to cast a ballot of a different color after signing a statement agreeing to not participate in the polling of any other group in the Kingdom for the next three years.

Absentee Ballots

Proxy ballots are NOT allowed. If you are unable to attend the polling, you may follow the procedures below to submit an Absentee Ballot Letter. No exceptions will be made to the timeline or contents for an Absentee ballot to be counted, so review the requirements carefully, and send your letters in as soon as the candidates are announced. You must write a letter to the Kingdom Seneschal stating your preference in the poll. Your absentee ballot **MUST** be received by December 26, 2013 to be counted. **DO NOT** require a signature at delivery on a mailed ballot, as that will delay delivery. If there is a second polling, absentee ballots will only be counted if the preferred candidates remain in the run-off polling. Your letter must include **ALL** of the following:

- The names of one and only one couple you prefer as candidates.
- Modern and SCA name and the mailing address for your membership, including zip code.
- Proof of membership (Any one of membership number, photocopy of membership card, photocopy of Southwind label, photocopy of confirmation printout from online membership renewal)
- Photocopy of a driver's license or government ID showing your modern name, zip code, and proof that you are 18 years of age or older.
- If you do not reside within the zip

codes currently assigned to the Barony of SunDragon, but consider yourself as a member thereof, your absentee ballot must include the following signed statement:

“I consider myself a member of the populace of the Barony of SunDragon and promise the Crown of Atenveldt that I will not cast a ballot in any polling for another group within the Kingdom for three years following January 5, 2014.”

Send the absentee ballot by US Mail or email to arrive by December 26, 2013 to seneschal@atenveldt.org or by mail to: Sylvia Baldwin, 3638 W. Campbell Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85019.

In Service to the Crown and Kingdom of Atenveldt,

Baroness Saba O'Coileain

Kingdom Seneschal

Atenveldt

October 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Scriptorium	2	3 A&S Scale Factory	4	5 Pillage, Poke, Plunder
6 Pillage, Poke, Plunder Archery/Fighter Practice	7 Baronial Officers and Financial Committee Meetings	8 Scriptorium	9	10 A&S	11 Great Western War	12 Great Western War
13 Great Western War Archery/Fighter Practice	14	15 Scriptorium	16	17 A&S Scale Factory	18	19 Dragon's Horde
20 Dragon's Horde Archery/Fighter Practice	21	22 Scriptorium	23	24 A&S	25	26 Champions Tournament
27 Champions Tournament Archery/Fighter Practice	28	29 Scriptorium	30	31 A&S Scale Factory		

Your Barony Needs **YOU!**

It takes a lot of hands and minds to run a Barony,
not just the Baroness and Baron.

The following are several positions that are open and ready for you to fill. They are not burdensome positions and some are just right for a new person in the Barony.

Your Baronial officers would be glad to answer any questions you might have.

Deputy Seneschal

Deputy Knight Marshal

Emergency Deputy Regalia
Officer

Deputy Reeve

Deputy Sheriff

Land Coordinator

Gold Key



Archery Practice Sundays
9am at El Oso park

Armored Combat and Rapier Fighter Practice

Fighter Practice is held at Cheyenne
Park on Sundays.

**From May to October the
time is 6 PM to 10 PM**

From November to April the time is 2
PM to 6 PM

Armored Combat and Rapier almost
always held at our regular fighter
practices.

ARMORED COMBAT: Lord Aulus Valerius

RAPIER: Master Simon Aaron of Windermere

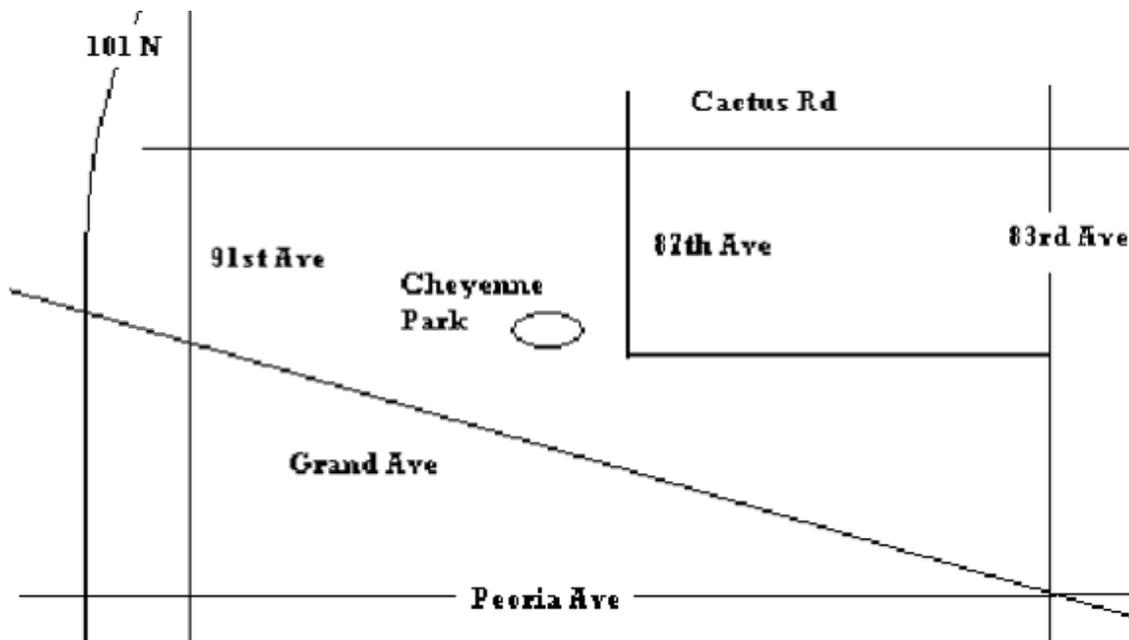
YOUTH COMBAT: Lord Betruger

COMBAT ARCHERY: Open

SIEGE WEAPONS: Open

Fighter Practice Directions:

From Cactus Road turn South on 87th Avenue. Cheyenne Elementary School is on your right, Cheyenne Park is immediately south of the school. Parking available on the street right in front of



Baronial Bardic Challenge

The Baronies of Mons Tonitrus, SunDragon, and Tir Ysgithr will compete at the Barony of Atenveldt sponsored Old World Bardic to be held at Estrella War 30.

The conditions are as follows:

- The attending crowd will determine the victor
- Each Barony may only enter one piece (but it can be a single person or a group entry)
- The piece must be original (no filk)
- The piece may be any bardic entry (song, poem, story, instrumental, etc.)

For the Barony of SunDragon, we will be holding several competitions between now and Estrella 30 to determine who will represent the Barony. These will take place on:

Friday, October 25 at Baronial Champions

Saturday, December 14 at Baronial 30 Year Anniversary and Solstice

The final voting will take place Sunday January 5 at Kingdom War Practice. The final decision will be made by the populace.



Baroness Viola and Baron Wilhelus

Current Regnum as of 10/01/2013

Baroness and Baron: Viola Carrara and Wilhelus le Casse <sundragon_coronet@cox.net>

Seneschal: Lady Sigrid the Generous, <shellyfamily1@msn.com>

Emergency Deputy Seneschal : Master Dietrich Nibelung <dnibelung@yahoo.com>

Deputy Seneschal: Open

Reeve: Lady Emma Makeblise <sjackskeller@gmail.com>

Emergency Deputy Reeve: Lord Gabriel Boyle <sboyles80@gmail.com>

Deputy Reeve: Open

Knight Marshal: Lord Aulus Valerius <BSDMarshall@gmail.com >

Emergency Deputy Knight Marshal : Lord Jakob inn Rammi

Deputy Knight Marshal: Open

Prism Herald: Lady Sorcha inghen Chon Mhara

Deputy Herald : M'Lord Juan-Tresi Leon

Minister of A & S: Lady Gwenffrey de Abergavenny <myoxall@netscape.net>

Emergency Deputy A&S Minister: Mistress Lann Valdis O'Davorreanne

Deputy A&S Minister: Lady Isabelle Le Charpentier de Normandie

Youth Officer: Lady Benedetta Amadei <mswrightwriter56@yahoo.com>

Chronicler: Lady Venora O'Davorreanne <veno0ra@yahoo.com>

Deputy Chronicler: Lady Isabelle Le Charpentier de Normandie

Emergency Deputy Chronicler: Her Ladyship Gepa of SunDragon <jep_kajepa@yahoo.com>

Chirurgion: Lady Valdisa Alarsdottir <flohrschutz@yahoo.com>

Web Minister: Lord Ulric Dresden <Camrenheston@yahoo.com>

Emergency Deputy Web Minister: Lord Gereon Lautermilch der Betruer <Michael.Loudermilk@gmail.com>

Scribe: Lord Tomaso de Floreano, <lordtomaso@q.com >

Sheriff: Lady Li du Bois <gamieg818@yahoo.com>

Emergency Deputy Sheriff: Lord Fergus MacInnes <fergiseult@cox.net>

Deputy Sheriff: Open

Emergency Deputy Rapier Marshal: Master Michael of Worcester <mike_94088@yahoo.com >

Librarian: THL Raven Mayne <ravenmayne@msn.com>

Waiver Secretary: Lady Uliana Iosefkova

Land Coordinator: Open

Youth Combat Marshal: Lord Gereon Lautermilch der Betruer <Michael.Loudermilk@gmail.com>

Regalia Officer: Mistress Turrel Michelovna <Turrel@yahoo.com>

Emergency Deputy Regalia: Open

Minister of the List: THL Iana of Whiteclif <JVLT63@yahoo.com>

Captain of Archers: Lady Cealleach Colquhoun <mystdragon@hotmail.com>

Lieutenant of Archers: Lord Ivarr Haukr <white_tiger@mystic.cncost.com>

Lieutenant of Archers: Lord Mikel of Perth <mitymike40@yahoo.com>

Demo Coordinator: Baroness Viola Carrara <sundragon.coronet@cox.net>

Gift Basket Coordinator: Lady Gwenfrewi of Avergarvanny <jyoxall@yahoo.com>

Gold Key: Open

Deputy Gold Key Lady Anabel de Chesehelme <smooch40@cox.net>

Deputy Gold Key: Mistress Gwendolen Wold <lissagwen@cox.net>

Prize Coordinator: Lady Odette Steingrim <ebeede93@gmail.com>

Rapier Marshal : Master Simon Aaron of Windermere <simonyoxall@yahoo.com>

Monthly Baronial Activities

Baronial Court is usually held on the second Sunday of the month at Fighter Practice. . Summer Hours are 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM on Sundays at the **Cheyenne Elementary School Park**. Winter Hours are 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM. Located South of Cactus Rd on 87th Avenue.

Baronial Officers' Meeting: The Barony of SunDragon's Officers' Meeting is generally held on the first Monday of the month.. Both are open to the populace.

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Deadline for Submissions to the *Chronus Draconum* is the **15th of the month**, to be considered for the next month's issue. Submissions may be emailed to the Chronicler at < veno0ra@hotmail.com > in nearly any computer format without fancy fonts or formats. Submissions may also be given to Lady Venora O'Davorean at any Sunday Fighter Practice and/or Court Night.

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Arts & Science Nights: Held at Peoria Community Center and are on first and third

Thursdays of the month. From 6 PM to 9 PM. Everyone is welcomed.

Scale Factory: The armor shop is open the second and fourth Thursday of the month from 5:30 PM-9 PM. Scale Factory is at 6335 W Saguaro Dr Glendale, AZ 85304. Please feel free to bring projects to work on, get advice, help, and enjoy being around friends, telling stories and having fun.

Scriptorium: SunDragon scribal arts are practiced every Tuesday. Join us at the Peoria Community Center from 5:30 to 9 pm. No experience necessary, free instruction! See the Baronial Website for more information.

<http://sundragon.atenveldt.org>



Words of advice given to Gepa

Gepa,

As you step up, bring to your Peerage an effort to seek out those who already wear the "White Belt of their Peerage" but have not yet been recognized with the public accolades from the hand of the King. Find those unsung heroes who make the Society function in all of their various ways. As a Pelican, you will naturally look for service. Seek that service not among the office holders and administrators of the lands, but instead look for those who may never be seen in the light of day, but run the camps and kitchens, who teamster and haul, the folks who do because someone has to. See that they get recognized for the lesser orders, so that someday they too will be recognized as a Peer and all that represents. Don't stop there, but look at those that should be recognized by the crown for their other skills as warriors and soldiers, craftsmen and artisans, those who represent the grace and beauty of our society.

See especially to those who play, live, laugh and love in our Society, but, through their sense of obligation, live amongst us rarely because they have chosen to be what they are in the real, mundane world, ministers, pastors, firefighters, EMTs, doctors, police officers, nurses, soldiers, sailors, airmen, marines, lawyers, teachers, stay at home parents, professionals of all kinds. You know the kind of persons I am describing, the ones whose time for sharing with us is so very limited; yet their very presence at an event is one of those things that makes the magic truly happen, that very magic that makes us all believe. They are the ones whom we all look at and say, "What? You don't have an AoA?" OR "What, I thought you were already a (insert Order)." They are

the ones who truly live the very core beliefs of our Society. These are the same "Peers" that are discussed in the peerage circles and the decision to not elevate them is, "He doesn't play enough" which is usually argued most loudly by the peer who has no other life except that of our Society, and supports the habit by floating from meaningless minimum wage job to meaningless minimum wage job because she gets fired for not attending work because of "the (insert name) War."

Unfortunately, we and our founders got a large part of our peerage structure upside down. We elevated the Lords and Ladies to a lesser degree than their station in history and placed the Chivalry, and thence the other Peerages above them, and then named those peerages something other than "Knight of Chivalry, Knight of Arts, Knight of Science, Knight of Service, Knight of Grace, or Knight of the Pelican." This was done partly out of ignorance of actual feudal structure and out of a desire to elevate the Victorian view of the Knightly Virtues to focus the kind of behavior we desired.

Receiving an AoA may be the only time a person kneels on the dais before the Crowns and People of the Land to be recognized for having greatly enriched our realm, and that recognition may only come after a lifetime of dedication and service. There have been as many people in our Society as a large city, estimates of total involvement over fifty years may reach as high as one million, and yet we have only recognized the population of some few thousand with all of our rewards, recognitions, awards, accolades and elevations combined.

To quote the despicable Patriarch in the Kingdom of Heaven "We need more Knights! We have no Knights to defend the city!" To which our Knightly hero bade everyone to kneel and then, after giving the charges and oath, "Rise a Knight! All of you

rise as Knights!" See that your words reach the Crown; that the King be informed of any person of merit who needs to fill the vacancy in any of the orders, but especially those of the Peerages, because we need more "Knights," see that those who are never likely to rule a land, but are of true Royal Bearing, those who represent true Nobility, be elevated to be our Baronets, and let no one slight the position of Lord or Lady.

Let your conscience be your rule and guide; be compassionate, temper justice with mercy; live, love, act and serve as the peer you already are; you have worn the white long before the ceremony through which you have passed, "When you rise, rise a Knight!" because "We need more Knights!"

Gepa: "Thank you my friend. Thank you May I use your words? From start to finish, for our Chronus? It would be good for all of us to read. I will of course, give you the credit for your writing."

Attribute them to an unknown messenger, a bold captain (Flower of the Desert style), from distant lands...

Just tell them that you were visited during your vigil by a stranger, a soldier, covered in the dirt and dust of many years of travel and hardship, but his cloak of Aten Blue could still be seen. You offered refreshment and largess to this traveler, and as you were in contemplation for your elevation, as he took his leave, he gave you a small letter to open after your elevation. "There are wars to be fought, and evil to vanquish, yet forget not the service of peace that gives the opportunity for that that rarest of service, the very harmony that supports all Noble institutions, forget not to keep the candle burning that all travelers may find their way home the these skies of Atenveldt blue. I now

ride East!" Then the stranger was gone. I know not his name, nor that of his master.

That is Aten Blue ---- (GRIN)

Gepa: "And so, you have now read this missive if these words ring true, then take heed."