



# The Privy



## Barony of Terra Pomaria

### Chirurgion's Office - Comments Sought

March 17, 2015

#### Proposed change to Corpora - Chirurgion's Office

Currently open for commentary is a proposal for the closure of the office of the chirurgionate. The language for this proposal can be found below. The Board of Directors recognizes that this topic is controversial and would like to emphasize that commentary is being accepted until July 1, 2015, and would strongly recommend that all members forward their opinions for consideration.

Over the last number of years, issues have been brought to the attention of the Board and Society Officers regarding the chirurgionate as it is currently organized. These issues included numerous disputes between chirurgions regarding availability of over-the-counter medications, interactions between chirurgions and contracted EMS personnel at large events, interactions between event participants and chirurgions, and differences between first aid provider credentials available in different states, provinces and countries. The frequency of issues and the potential for liability to the SCA as an organization prompted the President to ask the SCA's insurance carrier to clarify whether the duties of the Society Chirurgion, as described in Corpora, are covered by the SCA's policy. In addition, a request for opinion was made to outside counsel to consider whether the risk of not having an office of the chirurgionate created more liability for the SCA than keeping the existing office of the chirurgionate. The response from the insurance carrier was that the duties of the Society Chirurgion, as defined in Corpora, were not covered under the insurance policy, and there was not an available option for coverage of those duties. The response from outside counsel was that there is more liability to the SCA if the SCA has an office of the chirurgionate. The Board requested that a committee of current chirurgions from across multiple North American kingdoms consider options: revising the existing office; evaluating insurance options specific to that office; eliminating that office. Given the recommendations from that committee, the following Corpora changes are proposed. There is no intention to release the heraldry currently associated with the functions of volunteer first aiders participating in the SCA, nor to prohibit any individual from volunteering as a volunteer first aider. This proposal is driven by issues from the North American branches of the SCA. Non-North American SCA affiliates will need to determine their own needs regarding regulation of provision of first aid.

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### Their Royal Majesties of An Tir

Savaric de Porte des Lions and Dalla Hjalbaadsdottir

### Their Highnesses of the Summits

William Geoffrey the Rogue and Diana de Winterton

### Their Excellencies of Terra Pomaria

Peder Georg Jensen and Ainslee Goldheart  
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*"...What a family is without a steward, a ship without a pilot, a flock without a shepherd, a body without a head, the same, I think, is a kingdom without the health and safety of a good monarch."*

*-Queen Elizabeth the First, to her brother King Edward c. 1550*



## Champions

**Heavy Defender:** Weylyn Middleson  
**Archery:** William Cristofore of Devonshire  
**Arts & Sciences:** Berengaria de Montfort de Carcassonne  
**Rapier:** Tessina Felice Gianfiglianza  
**Youth Champion:** Alisdair of Mugdock

## Local Gatherings

**Business Meeting:** 3rd Monday, 7pm, [Round Table Pizza](#) at 6055 Ulaili Drive NE in Keizer Station, Contact: Maude at [tpsneschal@gmail.com](mailto:tpsneschal@gmail.com)  
**Ceilidh:** 2nd Monday, October-May, 7 pm, Salem Heights Hall, 3505 Liberty Rd S, Salem (corner of Madrona & Liberty in south Salem). Contact: Fortune at [ladyfortunethomas@gmail.com](mailto:ladyfortunethomas@gmail.com)  
**A & S Day:** Marion County: 4th Sunday, 2-5 pm. Lincoln County: 2nd Sunday 3-6. Locations published on lists prior to event. Contact: Elena at [Tpartsci@gmail.com](mailto:Tpartsci@gmail.com)  
**Equestrian Practice:** Generally every 4th Saturday 10am-2pm—RSVP required. Contact Tassi at [peachypiggies@hotmail.com](mailto:peachypiggies@hotmail.com)

**Scribal/Thingmakers:** 3rd Wednesday, 7pm. [IKE Box](#), 229 Cottage ST. NE, Salem. Baronial scribal supplies will be available. Contact at: [avandekop@gmail.com](mailto:avandekop@gmail.com)  
**Archery Practice:** On Hiatus until Spring. Contact: Keziah Murdock at [muffymouse8@gmail.com](mailto:muffymouse8@gmail.com)  
**Heavy Weapons / Rapier Fencing**  
**Fighter Practice:** Every Thursday, 7:00 PM at Clear Lake Elementary in Keizer. Heavy Contact: Weylyn at [mattcshultz@gmail.com](mailto:mattcshultz@gmail.com) Rapier Contact: Magdalena at [ladymagdalena@yahoo.com](mailto:ladymagdalena@yahoo.com)  
**Bardic Music Night:** To be determined. Contact: Juliana at [julianavana@comcast.net](mailto:julianavana@comcast.net) 503-363-7512.



## Officers

The Barony is in need of officers in several positions! If you are interested in one of the open positions noted below, please contact the seneschal and the current officer (if there is one).

<b>SENESCHAL:</b> Lady Maude Oswald tpseneschal@gmail.com	<i>Term Ending November 2016</i>
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<b>LIST MINISTER:</b> <b>OPEN</b>	
<b>EQUESTRIAN MARSHAL:</b> HL Tassi peachypiggies@hotmail.com	<b>Seeking Successor</b> <b>Seeking Contingency Deputy</b>
<b>TARGET MARSHAL:</b> Keziah Murdock muffymouse8@gmail.com	<i>Term ending June 2016</i>
<b>RAPIER MARSHAL:</b> Magdalena von Freiberg ladymagdalena@yahoo.com	<i>Term ending January 2016</i> <b>Seeking Contingency Deputy</b>
<b>YOUTH ARMORED COMBAT:</b> <b>OPEN</b>	
<b>CHANCELLOR OF THE EXCHEQUER:</b> Mindy of Terra Pomaria tpexchequer@gmail.com	<i>Term ending January 2017</i>
<b>CHAMBERLAIN:</b> Countess Berengaria de Montfort de Carcassonne JCStapleton@gmail.com	<b>Past Term Limit</b>
<b>LIBRARIAN:</b> Amira de Lupo bakawriter@gmail.com	<i>Term Ending January 2016</i>
<b>HERALD:</b> Emelyn Fulredy tpbaronialherald@gmail.com	<i>Term Ending December 2015</i> <b>Contingency Deputy Needed</b>
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<b>CHRONICLER:</b> HL Melannei Athenaios tpchronicler@gmail.com	<b>Seeking Successor</b> <b>Contingency Deputy Needed</b>
<b>GRETE BOKE:</b> Somatra Devi somatradevi@yahoo.com	<b>Past Term Limit</b>
<b>WEB MINISTER:</b> HL Morikawa Kenji Katashige kenjisca@gmail.com	<b>Seeking Successor</b>
<b>CHIRURGEON:</b> <b>OPEN</b>	
<b>CHATELAINE:</b> Fortune verch Thomas ladyfortunethomas@gmail.com	<b>Seeking Successor</b> <b>Past Term Limit</b>
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# Calendar

## March

- 6th-8th—Kingdom A&S/Bardic Championship, Barony of Dragon's Laire  
Kitsap & N Mason Counties, WA
- 14th—Mountain Edge Defenders Tourney, Shire of Mountain Edge  
Yamhill County, OR
- 20th-22nd—Summits March Coronet, Shire of Coeur du Val  
Corvallis, Benton County, OR
- Carnevale at Barons Keep, Barony of Dragon's Mist  
Washington County, OR

## April

- 4th—All Fools, Shire of Corvaria  
Bend, Jefferson, Deschutes, & Crook Counties, OR
- 11th—Feast of St. Eggberts, Shire of Myrtle Holt  
Grants Pass, OR
- 17th-19th—Bar Gemels, Barony of Terra Pomaria  
Marion, Polk & Lincoln Counties, OR
- 17th-19th—Tri-Kingdom Chirurgeon Symposium, Barony of Dragon's Mist  
Washington County, OR

## May

- 1st-3rd—May Revel, Shire of Southmarch  
Klamath Falls - Klamath & Lake counties, OR
- 2nd-3rd—Faire in the Grove, Barony of Dragon's Mist  
Washington County, OR
- 8th-10th—Hocktide Emprise, Shire of Glyn Dwfn  
Medford, Ashland, Jackson Counties, OR
- 15th-17th—May Crown, Shire of Hauksгарor  
Hood River and Wasco Counties, OR
- 22nd-25th—Egil Skallagrimmson Memorial Tournament, Barony of Adiantum  
Eugene, OR
- 22nd-25th—Grand Thing X, Barony of Stromgard  
Vancouver, WA

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## December Business Meeting Minutes

### Terra Pomaria Officers Meeting— December 15, 2014

**Meeting Start:** 7:21 pm

**In Attendance:** Maude Oswald, Amber Waldroup, Peder Georg Jensen, Ainslee Goldheart, Weylyn Middleson, Catarine Quhiting, Milda de Hay, Nicholla Blackwolf, Lynneva Jacob, Ulf the Wanderer, Fortune verch Thomas, Ayna Trewpeny, Mindy Meeds, Magdalena von Freiberg, Emelyn Fluredy, Megan Jongsma, Amira di Lupo, Alail Horsefriend, Berengaria de Montfort de Carcassone and Melannei Athenaios.  
Minutes taken by: Melannei Athenaios

### Baron and Baroness' Opening

**Words:** Investiture was good. We have a new prince and princess. We are looking forward to 12<sup>th</sup> night and the start of the new season. Terra Pomaria holds the Rapier Championship for the Summits as Don Kendell Tempest won the tournament. He will be at practice Thursday. He says "Summits is coming and running drills."

### Officer Reports

**Seneschal:** I missed a portion of the month, but everything seemed to have gone well while I was gone.

We have a bid in for Bar Gemels that has been approved by the finance committee. No other bids have been received for Bar Gemels or any other events for 2015. We need to find a way to encourage more volunteering outside of the current volunteer pool.

There still appears to be a large amount of last minute reporting. I would like to figure out a way to improve this process.

I apologize for the lateness of my own report and anything missing from it.

**Social Media Deputy-VACANT:** No current interest.

### Family Activities Coordinator:

The children of the barony await holiday festivity,  
Which leads to a very large lack of activity.  
Our stockings are hung in the castle so fair,  
To our tent friends glad greetings we share.  
May St Nick bring you coal for your forge,  
And good fortune bring you food for to gorge.  
Merry Christmas!

**Exchequer:** Absent. No report sent. Finance committee decisions that were made in the last month: Bar Gemels bid is financially feasible.

That will be discussed later in the meeting.

**Chamberlain:** I still have to get together with Francesca to adjust the shed lock; due to health issues on her part & my work schedule, this hasn't happened yet, but I hope this week will see it made so. I am planning on getting into the shed and putting a few labels on spots on the shelves which are good places to put certain key items. We're not going to label the entire set-up, but rather just a few spots that make locating & returning items easier.  
Also, I received a request for help with some things for June Investiture 2015 from the Shire of Corvaria (text appended below for this report.) I think we should discuss this request so that we can reply to them soonest:  
*The Shire of Corvaria will be hosting June Investiture 2015. As a member of the autocrat team I have a couple of tasks assigned to me and thus I am contacting you. We would like to focus on Pomp and Circumstance. To that end, we would like to inquire if the Barony would be willing to bring the baronial pavillion to set up on the eric. We would also like to see if*

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*you still have ordinaries and if so, would we be able to use them to add to the decor of the site? If so, do you have poles for them? If not and you are willing to allow our shire use, how many are there that we may make sure we have poles or a way to display them. Will will also be putting together a reliquary museum and hope to display Summits historical relics, our shire relics and would welcome any baronial "relics" you may wish to display. We would ask that you first inventory and photograph any items displayed for tracking etc. Our plan is to have a reliquary guard for this area. We are still 7 plus months out but would like to start putting our proverbial ducks in a row.*

The officers discussed the bid and agreed to loan the Baronial Pavilion ad ordinaries. Due to the high value of the pavilion, we would like to create a \$1 rental agreement. This is strongly recommended by the Kingdom Exchequer. Mindy will look into created the necessary document. We do have several relics that we could loan, the original scroll making us a barony, as well as several scrolls detailing our champions etc. We need more information about where they will be kept and how they will be protected before deciding which relics we can loan.

**Librarian:** Nothing new to report again. All things are the same for now. Event binders are still in Francesca's possession. We aren't getting bids and it's hard to make a bid without info about previous years' attendance. Amira will

contact Francesca about obtaining them. The officers agreed we need to get these digitized, at least the most recent years. This would be a very long, tedious process on the equipment available to us. Office Depot has a service that will scan documents and send you the digital copy. Amira will look into the prices and present the information next business meeting.

**Heavy Marshall:** Very light practices this month with numbers never above 3 fighters. Thankfully no injuries to report even with the very cold weather. We have two heavy fighters with injuries fully healed in the last month, Baron Peder and Sir Rustam.

This upcoming month our main focus will be trying to pull in outside fighters, at least one travel practice, and helping Excellency Peder re-re-re-finish his kit. We had our baronial armoring/crafty day this month. I feel it was a resounding success, several kits progressed and lots of patterns for armour given out. The Craft day inside seemed to go very good as well! Look for another craft day mid spring 2015.

Please be aware we will not be having Heavy practice on 12/25 due to the holidays. 1/1 is up for discussion as well. Weylyn will post if we will have the New Year's Day practice.

My Marshall card was resubmitted on Saturday.

William Geoffrey announced the format for Coronet will be Pole Hammers. Make sure you have good gauntlets.

**Rapier Marshall:** Last month we had on practice canceled due to Thanksgiving. December practices,

Christmas is canceled. Magdalena will poll the fighters to determine if they will have a New Year's practice, 1/1/15.

The winner of November's Golden Apple was Don Andrew. The next Golden Apple will be January 8th due to the holiday. That may change if they decide to hold the January 1<sup>st</sup> practice.

December 18th practice is going to have drills with Don Christien.

Don Tempest visited us at the beginning of this month. He is our new Captain of the Cats.

A reminder that 12th night is fast approaching, the format is a simple bring your best. Round robin. Hope to see many of you there!

Old business. I still have a cash box with the money from the fund raiser from Long and Short. I would like to get that straightened out. It was for us to get a two handed sword to practice with. Since it is a separate authorization, we would like to have the equipment to practice. Magdalena and Mindy will discuss the issue outside the meeting.

**List Mistress-VACANT:** No current interest.

**Target Archery:** Absent. Nothing is happening in the world of missile activities.

Baron: At Investiture William Christofore had darts. They are bringing darts back as official Thrown weapons. They are going to be teaching classes on them, He has a source for buying them by the dozen, for pennies more than making them yourself.

**Equestrian Marshall:** Absent. Last practice was 11/22. We had three horses and four riders. One rider new to the SCA.



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**Youth Combat Marshall-VACANT:**  
No current interest.

**Herald:** Great news on the consulting-hangups front. We finally got the letter of permission to conflict for Eiríkr's device, so after seven very patient months, he's out of limbo! Milda de Hay's submissions have appeared on OSCAR, and Diego and Taraneh's lost check (not their fault) has been forgiven. Still waiting to hear about the PTC for Sofi Crabbe. Everyone else seems to be moving along nicely!

We had two registrations from our barony in this last round! Congratulations to Marcus Valerius Taurus on his name, and to Fidelia Hawkhood on her name and device! I'll be presenting her with a brand new banner at January's meeting. Marcus is well on the way to submit his own device and household stuff, too. I'm a happy herald.

Had my first good opportunity to use the heraldic cookie stamp at ceilidh; was hampered by incompetence and made cupcakes instead. Next time!

We held another itty-bitty court in which Ji'lid al-banna ibn Hyder received the Silver Apple for, among other things, his tireless service in the kitchen at Martinmas. Please send in award recommendations!

**Arts & Sciences:** Absent. After consultation with Misty and Willam December A&S in cancelled. Our next meeting will be the 4th Sunday of January. Also due to 12th night the 2nd Sunday Coastal A&S is canceled.

**Chronicler:** December's Privy is completed and has been sent to the webminister to be put on the website.

The October Privy has been fully downloaded 42 times since it was put on the website. I am in need of a replacement.

**Grete Boke:** Absent. No report sent.

**Web Minister:** I am still working on updates to the site. If you have any changes please e-mail me.

**Chirurgion-VACANT:** No word from the Board of Directors.

**Chatelaine:** Ceilidh happened. 28 people were there. many many wonderful desserts were had by all. There was a mini court were Ji'lid was granted a Silver Apple for service. The dessert competition was won by Joyce who made a wonderful apple stew.

Next month's Ceilidh in January 12th. No theme as of yet. It will be a misc. SCA gear swap.

We have a conflict between the Yoshikai demo and Ceilidh next month. I talked with the principal at Yoshikai. She is intrigued by the idea and wants me to present it at the next PTA meeting. This is a problem since it is the same evening as Ceilidh. If someone else is willing to set-up/run Ceilidh I'll go to the meetings and propose the demo night. If not, this will have to wait till I have a successor. The principal did say that the PTA would be more open to a parents from the school proposing the idea then someone else. Ainslee agreed to run Ceilidh for Fortune.

I've been contacted by 2 newcomers this month. One of them came to scribal night. I will be stepping down in March

whether or not I have a replacement. I would be happy to stay on as a deputy to coordinate Demos, so we can keep this trend going.

**Gold Key:** Absent. Nothing to report. Life has been interfering with my SCA activities, so I have missed the last few events, and will likely miss the meeting tonight as well. I hope things will be back to normal(ish) for me soon.

**Scribe:** Absent. Scribal (Scribble) Night was held at the Ike Box on November 19th

In attendance were  
Fortune  
Melannei

Janet (formerly of Dragon's Mist) and myself

Various projects were worked on and Fortune was kind enough to give a tutorial drawn from her vast skills.

Next Scribal (Scribble) Night will be Wednesday December 17th at 7pm. Held at the Ike Box (299 Cottage Street Northeast, Salem, OR 97301)

Fortune has Principality charters for the next reign and they will be at Scribal night.

### Past Events

**Martinmas, November 1, 2014:**  
Absent. No report sent.

### Upcoming Events

#### **Yoshikai Elementary Demo:**

Fortune will present the Demo request at the next PTA meeting, the same night as Ceilidh in January.

#### **Bar Gemels, April 17-19, 2015:**

Amber Waldroup has submitted a bid. The date has changed to the third weekend in April, as was



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discussed previously. \$3555 total expenses, income estimated at \$4200. Clovis will run the kitchen. Melannei will run Pre-reg. Mhairi, is unofficially supervising event steward. Youth Championship will be happening. Populace approved the bid. We will be having a volunteer meeting in January.

**Long & Short, June 5-7, 2015:** Accepting bids for either a weekend or day event. 5 acres would be needed at a minimum for a camping event. We would love to have equestrian at the event, but we definitely need archery. Summits would be interested in us hosting the Summits Bardic championship at June 2015. They don't want to do it at night or in between rounds of fighting. Maude will put together a bid for the bardic championship. If you have any ideas for a site, please get in touch with Maude.

### Old Business

**Customary revisions:** No updates right now. Maude has what has been done so far on the seneschal's flash drive.

**Kingdom Event Exploratory Committee:** No updates.

**Officer's Guide to Reporting:** No updates.

**Event Guide:** No updates.

**Business meeting site:** Rockin' Rogers next to fairgrounds in Rickreal and is free. Conference room seats 30. Our current site has maximum occupancy of 44, so it doesn't sound as if would work, but it might be a good idea to check the maximum occupancy at Rockin' Rogers.

**Principality Pavilions:** On hold following discussion at Mood/Curia. Summits Seneschal is looking into the project as the coordinator was not at the meeting. There is room in the principality shed for them.

**Coronets:** A member of the populace asked for an update on the coronet bids. This is on hold until we have raised the funds for new coronets. We would need to have at least a 50% deposit to start the work. We currently have about \$1100.

### New Business

**Principality Championships:** Some of the principality championships will now be on a bid system to have them at a local event. Outrider (Equestrian) and Captain of Eagles (Rapier). Also the Bardic Championship will be included for this year. 2015 Outrider will be held at Hocktide. Bids for the 2015 Rapier and Bardic championships will be due by January 31.

**5<sup>th</sup> Principality event?:** There is discussion of a 5<sup>th</sup> principality event that is A&S focused. This would also give an opportunity for the Bardic championship. This is still in discussion and no dates are set.

**Echoes:** The Summits newsletter is being revitalized. There is content for the next year planned, and it will be run on MailChimp for a seamless process. Look for information about signing up on the lists.

**Couer du val Wreath making party:** at fighter practice site tomorrow night if you want to go, contact Bera for information.

**Meeting end:** 8:52 pm



Baron Peder and Baroness Ainslee, at Summits September Coronet.





## January Business Meeting Minutes

### Terra Pomaria Officers Meeting— January 19, 2015

**Meeting Start:** 7:05 pm

**In Attendance:** Misty Thorsgard, Eirikr Skreya, Fidelia Hawkwood, Andrew Crowe, Kezia Murdock, Milda, Randall Blackwolf, Nicholla Blackwolf, Lynneva Jacob, Catarine Quhiting, Amira di Lupo, Mathea Volpella da Perusia, Egen Brauer von Regensburg, Tassi, Alyna Trewpeny, Ainslee Goldheart, peder George Jensen, Maude Oswald, Amber Waldroup, Mindy Meeds, Rudomir Kolekov, Magdelena von Freiberg, Emelyn Fulredy, Megan Jongsman, Fortune verch Thomas, and Melannei Athenaios.

Minutes taken by: *Melannei Athenaios*

### Baron and Baroness' Opening

**Words:** We see new and old faces here! Welcome to the business meeting. We hope you enjoyed 12<sup>th</sup> night. The Baron was ill and we were not able to attend. There are offices that need filled. Please contact us if you are a member of the Sargeantry, a candidate, or interested in the program.

### Officer Reports

**Seneschal:** Progress is being made on Bar Gemels, please keep an eye out for Volunteer meetings.

Long and Short, Prelude to War, and Martinmas are all in need of bids. We are now within 6 months of Long and Short. If you are interested in placing a bid for Long and Short, we need it by the 9th of February to give the finance committee a chance to review it

before the business meeting. Prelude is seven months out, we will be accepting bids until the 9th of March, the six month mark. Bids for Martinmas are open until the nine month mark, or the 9th of February.

I want to encourage the populace to put in recommendations for awards. There is only three months before Bar Gemels to do so.

Officers looking for replacements please speak to me after the meeting. We have several officer positions open. One position we are wanting a replacement for very shortly is Chronicler. This is a required office. We must have someone in this position. Melanie has been working very hard in this office for much longer than her initial term. Please encourage populace who have not been an officer to consider doing so.

Lastly, Officer quarterly reports are due by the end of the month, unless you have been told otherwise by your reporting officer. These reports should be sent to myself and Their Excellencies as well.

### **Social Media Deputy-VACANT:**

Contact the Seneschal if you are interested in the position.

**Family Activities Coordinator:** Again, nothing much to report from the FAC office. With no local events I have not done anything in the last month.

**Exchequer:** The Baronial checking account had a balance of \$9726.32 at the end of December. We currently have \$1090 in the Regalia fund and \$574.57 in Ithra funds. We have the address the

Ithra funds need to be sent to and that will be sent out this week. This leaves our baronial general fund register at \$7994.65.

It has been an eventful month in the Exchequer office. Simon Swanbourne has stepped down from the office, and turned over all of the Exchequer inventory, except the PO Box key, to his contingency deputy, Melannei. At this time it doesn't look like the key will be recovered.

Melannei will be changing the PO Box lock later this month as it is within the Exchequer budget. The files were returned a bit disorganized and we have been going through them to make sure we have all the records. We've gone through 2014. There are a few receipts that seem to have been lost in the transfer, and we have contacted those officers to request help in documenting those purchases.

Our priority now will be to do the year-end report, and then to go through the 2013 and 2012 records in preparation for our book review with the Kingdom Exchequer at the end of the month.

Finance committee decisions made in the past month:

1) The finance committee met to set the year's budget. All officer budgets stayed the same except the Baronage and Chamberlain budgets. These budgets will be discussed in greater detail at a later meeting before being finalized. This means that with a few exceptions all Greater Offices have a budget of \$120 with a monthly maximum of \$50 and all Lesser Offices have a budget of \$60 with a monthly maximum of



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\$25. The exceptions to this rule are Seneschal with a budget of \$180 and monthly maximum of \$100, and the Equestrian Marshall and Family Activities Coordinator with a budget of \$120 and monthly maximum of \$50, the Chatelaine with a budget of \$250, and the Scribe with a budget of \$400. We will publish a copy of the budget in the next Privy.

2) We will be changing signers on the bank account, due to the change in both Principality and Baronial Exchequers, and the Baronial Seneschal. We will be removing Vernon Pierce and Ralph Balogh and adding Melinda Meeds, Kayla Waldroup, Janet Bianco and Laura McNamar. Melanie Mitchell and Meredith Alden will remain on the account as deputies to the current officers. The Baroness, Cherie Beatie, will also remain on the account.

3) The finance committee agreed to accept the donation of funds that were raised by our Rapier Marshall at Long & Short to put towards the purchase and maintenance of Rapier Equipment.

4) Most of the officer's budgets were left untouched this year. The finance committee appreciates your frugal stewardship of baronial funds but wishes to remind all our officers that your budgets are available to you!

**Chamberlain:** Absent. Nothing to report this month.

**Librarian:** Nothing much has changed. Have two books to bring by tonight to see if they are worth being in the library. I've talked with Francesca about getting the big books but just got my car back. I should be able to get

them soon.

As for the scanning and transferring of the books to digital works, that's being a little harder to do. Francesca suggested asking others if they'd be interested in volunteering before going to a place like Kinkos. Otherwise, I'll swing by Kinkos when I go pick up the books to see what they say.

Fortune verch Thomas volunteered to do the scanning.

Frederick and Lyndia of WoodLyn in King's Land have recently moved up from the South. They have a very impressive library of resources about medieval times. They have over 3500 books. The Baron indicates that this is a great resource for people who are looking at persona development. They are just beyond Lebanon, 45 minutes south of here. They are happy to have you come look at the books. They are located at 30849 Old Santiam Hwy, Lebanon OR 97355 and can be reached at [541-258-3734](tel:541-258-3734). They also have a website: [woodlynlibrary.org](http://woodlynlibrary.org)

**Heavy Marshall:** No injuries to report for this month.

Practice has been light with 2-3 fighters, however this is normal for "winter" months. We had one practice with outside fighters showing up which put our numbers at 5 for that day.

I encourage all fighters who are able to go to Ursalmas this weekend. This is a fantastic event for fighters and showcases the best our kingdom has to offer.

I would like to get some info from the fighters in the area. Mostly I'm

looking for folks who are currently not in armour who want to be or have broken armour and need help fixing it. Anyone who fits this bill please email or MSG me on facebook and I'll see if I can help you out.

As of this meeting I will have been the heavy marshal for two years and I'm feeling like I'm needing a change from this position. I'll be looking for a replacement so I can maybe take up a different mantle needed by the barony. I have no estimated time that I would like to hand this office over yet however I want my intentions known so I can start looking at other offices I might be able to take over or help out with. If you are interested please contact me so we can talk over the requirements.

**Rapier Marshall:** We had a quiet December. No practice on Christmas Day, but we did have a Special New Year's Day practice. I called it "Ringin' in the New Year" practice. It was well received.

12th night was interesting. We had fun, even though it was a long night.

Verith de Prendergast is our new Queen's Champion.

There are a few changes to the ABC, and Rapier rules. Nothing big, and as soon as they are signed and available, I'll forward it out on Yahoo group and Facebook.

Happily no issues to report. And no incidence report.

I will be MIC for Bar Gemels this year. The planning phase has begun. And I am in negotiations with the Honeybadgers to do some Cut and Thrust. They will be getting



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back to me soon.

I am looking for a contingency deputy, to help out with my office. For instance, if I can't make it to fighter practice. Also, my term will be up a year from now. Good time to get some training on reporting and paperwork. It's not a difficult office.

**List Minister-VACANT:** If interested in this office, please contact the Seneschal.

**Target Archery:** Once again as it is still dark, cold, and wet not much is happening in regards to archery. I am in the early thinking and planning stages of the archery tournament for Bar Gemels. I will be seeking advice and assistance from our current archery champion.

**Equestrian Marshall:** Next practice will be in February, possibly February 7th. Three people have contacted me regarding equestrian activities in the local area. I have leads on two other people that may be interested as well.

**Youth Combat Marshall-VACANT:** No current interest.

**Herald:** A quiet month. I've been doing a little bit of online consulting, and had some fun conversations at ceilidh and business meeting. Lots of people in the barony are continuing to develop ideas for their heraldry.

The big news this month is that we have had no less than seven items be registered for members of our barony! A giant screaming round of applause! Congratulations to Eiríkr skreyja, Santinus Contarini, and Lynneva Jacob on their registered

names! Congratulations to Viscount Diego Rodrigues de Cordoba and Viscountess Mihr Nûsh al-Zahra' (aka Taraneh) on their names and arms! A shiny new banner will be presented to them next month!

And a shiny new banner was presented to Lady Fidelia at this business meeting!

There was a tiny court at ceilidh (December 8), at which Ji'lid al-banna ibn Hyder received the Silver Apple.

**Arts & Sciences:** Absent. It is with deep apologies that I am not in attendance at the Business Meeting. Due to Work Schedule I will not be able to Attend January or February's meetings. My Deputies Radomir and Misty are copied on this report if needed.

January A&S will be on the 25th and will be focused on Fermentation. We have sent out the info via Yahoogroups and created a Facebook Event for all the details.

February Coastal A&S will be on the 8th at My home in Lincoln City. We will be in the Garage workspace and Teaching a class on Getting started with Garb.

I was contacted recently by Dragon's Mist. They have several new members who happen to live in Tillamook County. Due to the distance they are networking with us to help these newer members get set up and established. Many of these new members will be attending our Coastal day and I would like to give them a wonderful warm welcome so please plan to

attend.

Please Save the Date for A&S day on February 22nd.

Also with the event season rapidly coming on us we would like to ask that any event steward or others who many need the support of the A&S team please reach out to us as quickly as possible. All three of us have hectic schedules and we need to make sure we have enough time to give your event our full attention. Please remember that you can reach out to Myself, Radomir, or Misty if you need support from the Arts & Science Office. We also have an amazing resource in our Champion Bera if you need help.

**Chronicler:** December's Privy has been fully downloaded 39 times. We are on track to publish the Privy again in the first week of February. My quarterly and year-end reports have been turned in. I have been searching for a successor. I will be stepping down in March, whether or not I have a replacement.

By Kingdom law we must have a Chronicler. It's an important job, but it's not that difficult to do. I need to reduce my computer screen time for health reasons or I would be willing to keep the job.

This is a job that could easily be split up between two people, one to take business meeting notes and one to publish the Privy.

**Grete Boke:** Absent. No report.

**Web Minister:** Bar Gemels site is up and running with the information I have so far. I am working to redo



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the populace page from scratch to see if I can finally get rid of the glitches in the program. A working version is up, but use it at your own risk. Continue to send me update and corrections as you find them. If you have sent me a correction and I have not replied or fixed it, resend it as I am caught up as far as I know.

### **Chirurgion-VACANT:**

[CHRONICLER'S CORRECTION: The information that position of Chirurgion as a warranted officer is being removed was incorrect. This was reported by what is usually a reliable source and repeated by the Principality Chirurgion, but it has since been retracted. The Society Chirurgion has stepped down, but no decision has been made regarding the warranting process and officer position.]

**Chatelaine:** Ceilidh occurred. Their Excellencies Took care of it all for me. 29 adults were present and much fun was had by all. Next month will be a SCA Stuff swap. Fabric, feast gear, garb, trim, games...all that kind of fun stuff.

I attended the Kingdom chatelaine meeting at 12th night and learned many things. The biggest is that we as a barony are not doing what we are supposed to in regards to notifications. The Yahoo group is that PRIMARY source for information distribution. Therefore when any officer makes an announcement, reminder, etc we first must announce it on the Yahoo Group. Then we must make it on the OFFICIAL facebook page.

That is NOT the facebook group we chat on. The Facebook group we chat on is a CLOSED group and therefore CANNOT be official. We can still put announcements there, but they must first be put on the 2 official pages. Many Officers do not post on the official Facebook page at all. This needs to change.

I just learned that there is someone interested in taking this office. I'll talk with her more and have her apply formally.

**Gold Key:** Absent. No report sent.

**Scribe:** Absent. [CHRONICLER'S CORRECTION: No report was sent.] Next Scribal is this Wednesday at Ike Box, 7-9 pm. Fortune: Two people picked up Principality Charters at Scribal. If you want more, please contact the Principality Scribe.

### Past Events

**Martinmas, November 1, 2014:** We received a final report, but there are some problems with the numbers, so those will have to be addressed before the report is closed. Melannei will contact Jeremy regarding the report.

Site was well attended. Options exist for a Two day event at this venue. We enjoyed having everyone at the coast. We would suggest this for future events as long as the Feast steward understands the need to be on time and prepped the kitchen will work for future feasts. LCCC enjoyed having us and would love to have us again for any other events. Could be a great spot for a coastal get together.

### Upcoming Events

**Yoshikai Elementary Demo:** Canceled.

**Bar Gemels, April 17-19, 2015:** Next Event Team meeting is at Broadway Coffee on January 27 at 6 pm. If you are interested in volunteering please attend.

**Long & Short, June 5-7, 2015:** **Accepting bids until February 9, 2015.** We might have a location for Long & Short in Aumsville that would allow Equestrian. If you are interested in placing a bid for Long and Short, we need it by the 9th of February to give the finance committee a chance to review it before the business meeting.

**Prelude to War, August 7-9, 2015:** **Accepting bids until March 9, 2015.** Andrew Crowe is looking for a supervising event steward to help him with Terra Pomaria specific traditions/procedures before he puts in a bid. He is an experienced event steward in Adiantum.

**Martinmas, November 7, 2015:** **Accepting bids until February 9, 2015.** There is some question regarding the date. If you are interested in putting in a bid before next business meeting, talk to Maude.

### Old Business

**Customary revisions:** No update.

**Kingdom Event Exploratory Committee:** Fortune is currently making a facebook group to discuss this. It is a public group for now. Please look it up and join if you are interested in helping.

**Officer's Guide to Reporting:** A draft will be put up again on Facebook,





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to get feedback.

**Event Guide:** Mathea is working on this.

**Business meeting site:** Rockin' Rogers will not work. It has a smaller occupancy maximum than our current site. The Guest House on Lancaster was suggested. It doesn't have a fee for using the meeting room. Newfeldts in Aumsville was also made as suggestion.

**Principality Pavilions:** No updates since the Principality Moot & Curia.

**Principality Championships:** Maude contacted Principality Seneschal about how to put in a bid for either the Bardic or Archery Championship. She said there would be more information coming out soon. Maude will check in with her again.

**Coronets:** The coronets are pretty fragile. We need someone to organize fundraising and getting bids for new coronets.

### New Business

**Marshall changes from update:** New restrictions on padding on helms. Mas Deux is not allowed. No more siloflex swords allowed. Sir Einarr is talking about requiring gorgets-period.

**Event Report Form:** Chronicler recommended updating this form as it is clunky to work with and outdated (constable is listed and NMS is incorrect amount).

**Officer Report Form:** Chronicler recommends updating this form as it is not only not used by most officers, but the questions it asks are completely unrelated to the offices and are usually fairly unchanging answers.

**Award Recommendations:** Send an e-mail for now. The website form is clunky. PLEASE send in award recommendations. Their Highnesses and Their Majesties are going to Bar Gemels.

**Populace Directory:** Melannei has the populace directory stuff from Simon Swanbourne, Baron Peder volunteered to take on the task.

**Missing Awards on OP:** There are lots of awards that are missing from the OP. Look yourself up and make sure all your awards are there.

**Meeting end:** 9:00 pm

## Chronicler's Note

If you have great photo from an event, a period recipe that you enjoy, or have documents a project for an A&S project, please share it with The Privy's readers. The Privy is greatly enriched by the contributions of our populace! If you have something you would like to share, please send it to: [tpchronicler@gmail.com](mailto:tpchronicler@gmail.com)

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## February Business Meeting Minutes

### Terra Pomaria Officers Meeting— February 16, 2015

**Meeting Start:** 7:01 pm

**In Attendance:** Melannei Athenaios, Maude Oswald, Peder Jensen, Ainslee Goldheart, Berte Le Webbere, Gwyneth Blackthorne, Anna ron Engelberg, William Brannan, Fidelia Hawkwood, Catarine Quhiting, Lindis de Aquisgranno, Fortune verch Thomas, Ann the Red, Milda d'Hay, Nicholla Blackwolf, Lynneva Jacob, Keziah Murdock, Mindy Meeds, Emelyn Fulredy, Acacia Gryffyn, Tassi hestamadr and Amber Waldroup.

Minutes taken by: *Melannei Athenaios*

### Baron and Baroness' Opening

**Words:** We are getting down to the wire for some events. I think we are going to have an interesting time at Long & Short. More info to come on that subject! I think we've got a good handle on Bar Gemels. It looks like it will be a good time!

### Officer Reports

**Seneschal:** Please get your reports as early as you can. If your office does not have any activities etc that you might be required to report on in the last week before business meeting, send them in early. It makes my job and the chronicler's job harder when we have reports coming in in the last hours and minutes before the meeting.

We are still looking to fill several offices. If you know anyone please encourage them to consider an Officer Position.

Please submit awards. Even if you

think they have the award please send in recommendations anyway. If you see someone do something that you think needs recognition, we can find a way to recognize them! Bar Gemels is only two months away!

We are now 4 months away from Long & Short. As we have not received any bids, I have closed the bidding process and I will take event steward responsibility for this event. I hope that this will allow prospective event stewards to look forward and make bids further out in advance for Martinmas or next year's events.

Baron's note: Please volunteer in any way you can for this event. It is not fair for this to fall on our seneschal's shoulders, so please help in some way. Many hands make light work.

### **Social Media Deputy-VACANT:**

Contact the Seneschal if you are interested in the position. At March Coronet they will be holding a social media class. If you are going to this event, please consider taking the class. This is a position that we really would like filled.

**Family Activities Coordinator:** This month's report is a reminder that we have our children's championship coming up at Bar Gemels. I would love to see as many kids as possible competing. Start encouraging them now!

**Exchequer:** Baronial checking account had a balance of \$9662.02 at the end of January. The Regalia fund sits at \$1090 and the Ithra funds we reported last month have been sent off. The transition of exchequer is more or less complete, although Melanie

has graciously agreed to continue to train me. We were able to get our end-of-year report in on time, and completed our book review with the Kingdom Exchequer (she was very pleased to see our report timely). Thank you to everyone who helped us gather the records that we needed!

I believe the only Finance Committee decision was to allow the seneschal's travel to be reimbursed for the admin retreat (I lengthened my own trip to include visiting family) and I would like to also thank the Financial Committee for their patience with me as I learn my new position.

Also, we have located the barony gate boxes in the storage unit. Our kingdom exchequer *has* asked me to get an inventory of barony property by the end of March, so I will need to talk to our Chamberlain (January was a very busy month) and arrange for the best time for us to get together.

**Chamberlain:** Absent. Nothing to report this month. See exchequer's report concerning the Kingdom Exchequer's request for an inventory.

**Librarian:** There is nothing new to report. I am going to get the Event report binders from Francesca after giving my report.

**Heavy Marshall:** Absent. No injuries to report for this month and attendance has been 3 fighters weekly.

I'd like to bring to the table an idea passing around to change fighter practice from Thursdays to Wednesdays every week. The reasons for moving the practice to



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Thursdays 3+ years ago no longer exist and I think that this would give out of town fighters more of a chance to come to practice. I propose we change starting 3/4/2015. If anyone has any strong feelings against this idea please contact me ASAP.

Currently this is only related to Heavy practice, not Rapier, as the rapier marshall is not present. The seneschal urges you, if you have any opinion about this, please contact Weylyn. Don't assume someone else will do it.

**Rapier Marshall:** Absent. Practices have been going well. No incidents or issues to report. We have been averaging 6-8 people. The new ABCs have been signed, we are still waiting for the addendum for Rapier rules. Bar Gemels is coming up in April. More on that after the next planning meeting.

**List Minister-VACANT:** Please contact the seneschal if you are interested in this position.

**Target Archery Marshall:** Exciting things are starting to happen for archery. I have made contact regarding a new location that could serve as both an indoor and outdoor location for practices. I hope to go look at the site in the next week or so. The location is seeking the necessary permits to allow a permanent outdoor range. It looks like the costs will be \$250 to make the range permanent. I have had some interest regarding thrown weapons and will be looking at the site to see if this can be accommodated as well.

**Equestrian Marshall:** Absent. Feb 7<sup>th</sup>, 7 riders, 16 people through gate. Next practice will be March 14<sup>th</sup>. As usual, please RSVP. Sir

William Brennan would like to teach a ground crew class so that we can more people authorized.

**Youth Combat Marshall-VACANT:** If you are interested in this position, please contact the seneschal.

**Herald:** 5 items from the barony were registered for this past month! I have a banner for Alyn and Their Excellencies Diego and Tareneh. I need a contingency deputy.

**Arts & Sciences:** Absent. It saddens me greatly to report that our last 3 valley A&S have resulted in No attendance by our officers or our populace. Radomir has graciously offered his home and even made yummy food to have no one attend. This is very troubling to us and we think it may be time to look at changing how and when we do A&S. We would like to roll out a survey before March business meeting that asks for possible days, times, locations, topics and ideas to increase attendance. It is saddening the A&S team that attending these days is no longer a priority and we want to make them a great way for folks to learn and share. We understand that between other meetings and practices that we have something most nights of the week and maybe revamping our Cedlilh or fighter practices and A&S activities to be a combined evening might also be a choice, and many of our neighbors do similar combo nights with great success. Once we have some feedback we would like to talk to others and see what options we have.

As for the coast we have had a

minimum of 7 adults and a huge number of children at the last 3 work days and this trend seems to be increasing. I would really like to look into the option of renting a monthly or quarterly space to give us more room. the Lincoln city community center is a possible site and runs about 17/hr to non profits without the kitchen. The library is free for our use however the available times are very restrictive. At last count we had 16 adults inside of lincoln city boundries who regularly attend as well as 9 children plus folks from Grande Ronde, Tillamook and south Lincoln county and we are greatly outgrowing my home. We would also like to consider the quarterly polk county day again however we are still working on site ideas.

I am also working with Dragons Mist to be a resource for new members in Tillamook county area.

**Chronicler:** December's Privy has been fully downloaded 47 times. The Privy is late, for personal reasons, including the temporary misplacing of the business meeting notes for January. They have been found and the tentative meeting notes were sent out to the lists last week. My goal is to have the Privy published by the end of the week. I have been searching for a successor for some time, and have given my notice to step down in March. Even if you are only able to do one of the primary jobs, taking business meeting notes or Publishing the Privy, please contact me. This job is very important to the barony and is required by Kingdom Law.



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**Grete Boke:** Absent. No report sent.

**Web Minister:** Continuing to work on the web pages mostly focused on Bar Gemels at this point. Continue to sent me corrections and updates and I will get them up on the site.

**Chirurgion-VACANT:** The information that position of Chirurgion as a warranted officer is being removed was incorrect. This was reported by what is usually a reliable source and repeated by the Principality Chirurgion, but it has since been retracted. The Society Chirurgion has stepped down, but no decision has been made regarding the warranting process and officer position. If you are interested in holding this position, please contact the seneschal.

**Chatelaine:** Ceilidh was a success. A bunch of stuff was swapped. 32 people came to Ceilidh and 4 new-to-us people. Does anyone have any ideas for the last 3 Ceilidhs? I have not been able to get any dance masters so far, but will continue to try to secure one. The other suggestion would be scribal display, where we could all bring our pretty scrolls and charters and other scribally things. I am not able to attend Bar Gemels and need some one who is willing to be a temporary deputy to stand in my place for newcomers that attend. I also need a contingency deputy. Please get in touch with me. We have turned down two Demos in the past month due to scheduling conflicts, but we should start the discussion about more:

World beat Festival: 2 days, the last weekend in June. This event gets thousands of people, who are interested in different cultures. It's about \$100 for a 10x10 booth to do the full weekend. We would have to man it all day both days. We might be able to get stage time for a heavy fighting or rapier demo. The event is free to the public, requesting a \$6 donation if you can afford it, so there is no cost for out volunteers to enter.

Canterbury faire: Last weekend in June. The booth doesn't cost money but we have fed folks in the past. We got 2 demos and 6 or 7 new members out of that last year.

State fair: No date set yet. We would be the weekend that does not include Labor Day.

Northwest Comic Con: In Salem August 15-16. I know it doesn't seem like a good fit for us on the surface, but half the people in the room at business meeting have been to the a comic con. There was a lot of positive response at the business meeting regarding the people who run the Comic Con and about doing this as a demo.

The general response was that these are good demos to pursue. Radomir also recommended doing a demo at another comic con. He said he would e-mail Fortune the information.

**Gold Key:** Couple of things this month. I am looking at how to streamline the inventory template so it's easier to input data. I might need to purchase some software, which I would take from my budget, but I'm confident I can find a free template or program. Also, my sewing room is currently being

constructed and organized, so I should be ready to do repairs and maintenance on older or torn garb soon.

If you are able help making repairs, please contact Fidelia. Her e-mail address is on the website.

**Scribe:** Scribal night was held on January 21st the at Ike Box as per usual and was attended by seven people. February Scribal night will be held at the Ike box on Wednesday February 18th. I am working with Fortune to get cards that are easier to paint for new painters.

Gwyneth is staying in Salem after all and is interested in making this position official rather than interim. The officers were agreeable. As the original officer change form did not list an ending date for her term, no further paperwork is needed.

### Past Events

**Acorn War 2014:** There was a delay due to a problem with the dumpster bill. They sent us a check for \$300. There will be a change to how they reward volunteers in 2015. The volunteers will designate a fund or branch to donate their volunteer time portion. This year it will be Sept 11-13 between Crown and coronet.

**Martinmas, November 1, 2014:** There were 91 people on site and 57 people served at feast. Income was \$1338, Expenses were \$1193.64, Total Profit was \$144.36.

Site was well attended. Options exist for a Two day event at this venue. We enjoyed having everyone at the coast. We would





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### Upcoming Events

#### **Bar Gemels, April 17-19, 2015:**

Next Event Team meeting is at Broadway Coffee tomorrow, February 17, at 6 pm. We meet back by "Better than Mama's" If you are interested in volunteering please attend. We'll be talking about prizes and classes. We have a gate coordinator, Emma Von Bern. Lindis has agreed to be class coordinator. Clovis is the feast steward. We do still need a Royal Liason and a Silent auction coordinator. We need donations of items to auction! Pre-Reg is open on the website. I will get an advertisement out on the lists soon.

**Long & Short, June 5-7, 2015:** We haven't receive any bids and we are closing the process. The seneschal will get together a bid and get the site secured. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Maude. Baron's note: Please volunteer in any way you can for this event. It is not fair for this to fall on our seneschal's shoulders, so please help in some way. Many hands make light work.

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### Old Business

**Customary revisions:** It was last revised in 2009. Lindis is spearheading this. Theoretically this document should be looked at every year and it hasn't been done is 6 years, so we are trying to do this quickly. We will randomly select the populace members. We are going to make a customary committee comprised of the finance committee and two non officer populace members. If you are interested in being the populace member, send Kayla an e-mail by midnight on February 22. This will require you to attend 2 or 3 meetings to discuss revisions. Some of the things we have been discussing is adding the awards and sargeantry program, and updating it to be current with society, kingdom and principality law. All officers, please look at your office in the current customary and send Maude any updates that you feel should be made.

#### **Kingdom Event Exploratory Committee:**

Fortune has opened a facebook group. Please join the group. We are looking for someone to head up this committee.

**Officer's Guide to Reporting:** A draft went up on facebook. Please get feedback to Mathea if you have any.

**Event Guide:** No current update.

**Business meeting site:** Please sent the seneschal any suggestions you have.

**Principality Pavilions:** No updates since the Principality Moot & Curia.

**Principality Championships:** They are trying to put up a bid form on the website but it is currently not working.

**Coronets:** Milda is looking at fundraising for this. She will contact the exchequer to determine the guidelines for fundraising. She will also contact the two previous bidders and see if they want to put in a revised bid.

#### **Event Report Form and Officer**

**Report Form:** Both of these forms are on the website under Forms/ Docs. They are outdated, having been changed about 10 years ago. Please review the forms. If you have any feedback please send it to the seneschal.

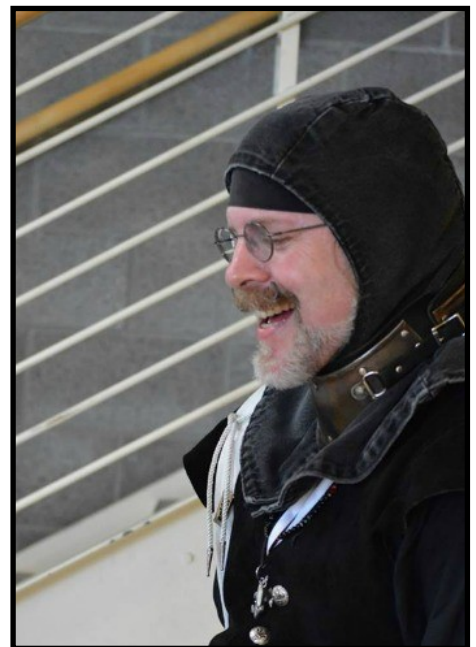
**Award Recommendations:** Don't use the website, just e-mail.

### New Business

#### **Event Steward Class/Mentor:**

Lindis is happy to mentor someone who is interested in becoming an event steward. She is also open to teaching a class on the subject.

**Meeting end:** 8:30 pm



Chrestien de Valois at Martinmas



## Chirurgeon's Office cont.

Delete H. The Chirurgeon

Re-letter items I through M to H through L.

Corpora VI. D. Marshal of the Society

Current text:

The Marshal of the Society is responsible for activities related to combat, archery and equestrian activities. This includes directing the Earls Marshal of the Kingdoms in matters concerning the supervision of combat and related activities at Society events and the manner and conduct of duties of all marshals throughout the Society; working with the Society Chirurgeon to promote safety in the Society's martial arts; and working with the Minister of Arts and Sciences to encourage research in armor and weapons. The Board specifically authorizes the Marshal to make interpretations and clarifications regarding the Rules of the Lists, with the proviso that such rulings must be reported to the Board at the following meeting. The Marshal's rulings will stand until and unless overruled by the Board.

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Current text:

VI. H. The Chirurgeon

The Society Chirurgeon is responsible for organizing a program of volunteer first aid services and health-and safety hazard warnings to be made available whenever feasible at Society events, and for establishing policies for and coordinating the activities of the Kingdom Chirurgeons.

Proposed text:

Delete VI. H.

Re-letter I and J to H and I.

Current text:

VII. KINGDOM, PRINCIPALITY, AND LOCAL OFFICERS

A. General

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Herald, the Earl Marshal, the Minister of Arts and Sciences, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, the Chronicler, and the Chirurgeon. No person may hold more than one of these Great offices at a time. The Crown may create additional Great Offices. Kingdom Lesser Officers and deputies are created by the Crown according to the needs of the kingdom. These officers may be supervised directly by the Crown, or be placed under the jurisdiction of a Greater Officer, and report accordingly. However, Great Officers retain ultimate responsibility for delegated functions.

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#### VII. H. The Chirurgeon

The Chirurgeon administers the organization that is responsible for voluntary first aid at Society events, including assisting participants in tournament combat, notifying attendees of health and safety concerns, and such other related activities as kingdom law and custom may entail.

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### Bar Gemels, April 17-19, 2015

...Come out to celebrate the beginning of the camping season in beautiful Terra Pomaria. There will be activities for all ages. Enjoy the challenge of our heavy prize tournament, learn something new, and cheer on our children as they compete in the Youth Championship. These are only a few of the many activities you will find at Bar Gemels this year: rapier, archery, bardic, family activities, a Torchlight Bar Wench Smackdown, and much more! And don't forget our open Tavern. This year's Tavern Steward is Clovis. Pre-Registration closes April 3rd, 2015.

#### WEEKEND SITE FEES:

Adults \$18

Child (17 and Under) free

#### DAYTRIP SITE FEES:

Adults \$12

Child (17 and Under) free

\$5 Non-Member Surcharge applies to adult non-members.

Meals: \$10 per punch card. \$35 for 4 \$10 meal punch cards when purchased through pre-reg. \$10 Punch cards will also be available in the kitchen during mealtimes.

In addition to the Tavern's Saturday evening meal options, a seated feast will be offered by pre-registration only for \$15.

Please visit our website for further information and details: <http://terrapomaria.antir.sca.org/events.php>



## Portable Break-Down Cheese Press

By Baron Marcellus Capozziello da Napoli



### History

Cheese presses have been in use since Roman times and possibly even earlier. In its earliest forms, a cheese press consisted of a ceramic container with holes in the sides and bottom to allow the whey to drain out (see Figure 1). These containers would be stacked one on top of the other, and gravity would do the work of pressing out the whey.

However, this would not be practical for larger sizes of cheese, or for producing “harder” cheeses, as the downward pressure of additional weight involved would crack the ceramic.

As time progressed, mechanical presses were developed for various tasks including pressing olives for oil, grapes for wine, and milk products for cheese. A typical press would involve four simple pieces (see Figure 2 and 3). A base called a drain table would have grooves cut into it to drain off the whey. Above the drain table would be a support frame be built consisting of two uprights and a cross piece spanning between them.

Suspended from the cross piece would be a weight that could be raised and lowered, with some sort of mechanical device such as a lever, screw and nut, or winch. Finally, a cheese form (similar to the ancient cheese presses, having holes on the sides and bottom to allow the escape of the whey ) with a “follower” would be placed below the weight.

The weight would press the follower down in to the cheese form, thus pressing out the whey and forming the cheese.

### Description

My cheese press was inspired by the period examples that used a screw and nut to raise and lower the weight of the press. My press is much smaller than those typically used in period, because it was designed to be portable. It also breaks down into its component pieces, also to allow for portability. The press is constructed entirely of





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walnut, with standard bricks used as the weight.

The base of the drain board was constructed of two pieces of walnut joined together to make a 16" x 16" base. Grooves were carved into the base for draining the whey (see Figure 4). Vertical boards were attached to both sides and the rear to contain the whey and provide additional structural stability. Two mortises were cut into the base for mounting the vertical uprights.

Mortises were also cut into each end of the cross piece.

Tenons were cut into the vertical uprights on both top and bottom to fit into the mortises on the base and cross piece. This provides an extremely stable, but easily disassembled, structure that can support the weight used in the press (see Figure 5).

In addition to the mortises, a 1" diameter hole was drilled into the center of the cross piece. I obtained a 1" tap and die set for wood. This allowed me to turn a 1" dowel into the screw I needed. I made a "nut" out of two scrap pieces of walnut, and tapped for use with the screw. I also made an 8" x 8" base to attach to the bottom of the screw, which would be used to hold the bricks and press down on the follower (see Figure 6).

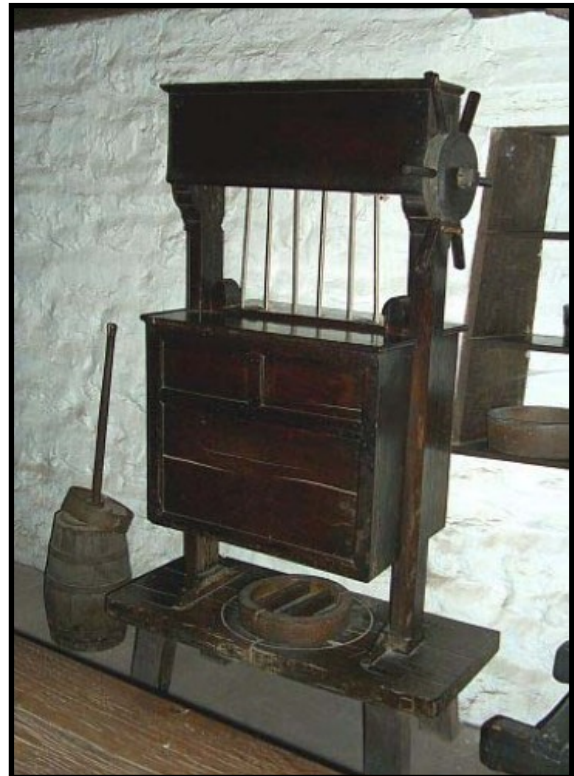
Standard bricks were used as the weights because they are a consistent size and weight, each being 8" long and weighing almost exactly five pounds (to within +/- 1 oz). Their smaller size and weight also lends to the portable aspect of this press. The press as currently designed can accommodate four bricks, or a total of 20 pounds. If the vertical uprights are increased in height, additional weight could be added.

Figure 1 - Roman Cheese Press, 3rd C. BC



BBC News <http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/england/cambridgeshire/4908180.stm>

Figure 2 - 15th C. Cheese Press



St. Fagan's Museum of Welsh Life <http://uk.geocities.com/ptgallery@btinternet.com/stfagans/fag/cilewent08.jpg?33.67>



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Figure 3 - Cheese-press, Merionethshire



<http://www.gtj.org.uk/en/small/item/GTJ31093/>

Figure 4 - Channels Cut into Drain Board of Press

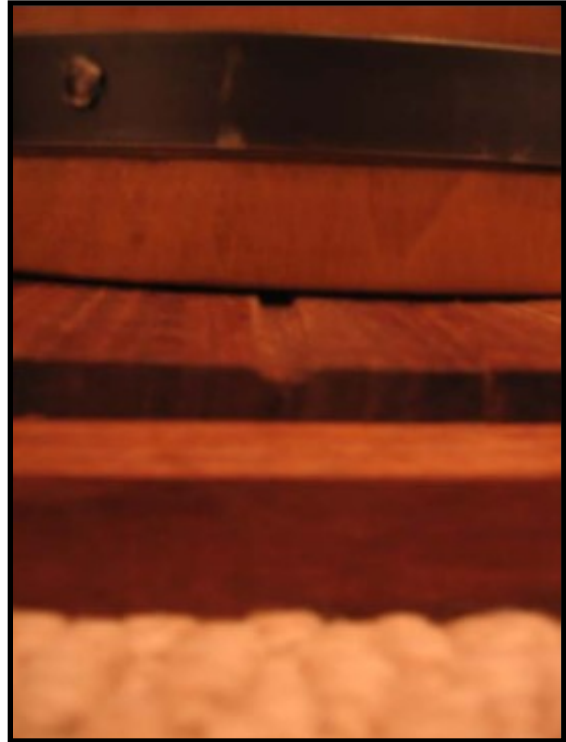


Figure 5 - Mortise and Tenon Joint



Figure 6 - Nut, Screw, Plate, and Weights

