
The Chanticleer

Monthly Newsletter of Barony Beyond the Mountain

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2017 Election of Heirs for the Barony Beyond the Mountain

Without further anticipation I will now post the baronial candidates.

*1: Lord Mark the Red Hand
Lady Gwenllian ferch Llewellyn ap Henry*

*2: Lord Rumhann mac Duib Sidhe
Lady Sisuile Butler*

*3: Lord Grimolfr Skulason
Lady Sitt al Gharb ha-niqret Khazariyya*

All Formal letters of intent, membership cards, and official things have been submitted. We will be setting up a chance to do a Q&A session of the candidates. As with everything I wish everyone the best of luck.

For the populace, please be sure to have membership cards current with correct mailing addresses so you may successfully vote for the couple of your choice.

*Thank you
Marcus Allectius Felix*



Baronial Officers:

Baron & Baroness - Baron Dorigen of Lewes, baron@bbm.eastkingdom.org, and Mistress Eloise of Coulter, baroness@bbm.eastkingdom.org

Seneschal – Marcus Allectius Felix, Seneschal@bbm.eastkingdom.org

Deputy – Mistress Elizabeth Vynehorn, vynehorn@gmail.com & Lady Leandra deLeon, leandrasuz@aol.com

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Deputy – Sybill Teller, mpeckham83@gmail.com

Chronicler – Lady Johanna de Glastingburi, chronicler@bbm.eastkingdom.com

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Exchequer – Lady Ciara McRobbie, exchequer@bbm.eastkingdom.org

Deputy – Lord Gwilym of Fflint, willied0296@yahoo.com

Herald – Mistress Camma an Daraich, andaraich@hotmail.com

Knight Marshal – Lord Angus Gove MacKinnon, knightmarshal@bbm.eastkingdom.org

Marshal of Fence – Lord Grimolfr Skulason, rapier@bbm.eastkingdom.org

Marshal of Thrown Weapons – Vacant

Mistress of Arts & Science – Lady Alys du Bois, moas@bbm.eastkingdom.org

Deputy – Elspeth inghean Armstrong, bethneedles@yahoo.com

Minister of the List – Mark of the Red Hand

Web Minister – Lady Sisuire Butler, webminister@bbm.eastkingdom.org

Deputy – Lady Constance Navarre, wolfie603@sbcglobal.com

Youth Marshal - Vacant

Combat Arts

NOTE: Practices are subject to change without notice. Please call ahead.

Archery

CT: BBM – The former Canton of Fennbrycg archery practice: Practice to Tuesdays at 4:30 indoors for the winter at the Norwich Archery Club; crossbows welcome. Contact Bob Smith to ensure practice is on due to weather or other issues at 860-848-3525. \$5.00 for non-members of the club.

CT: BBM - Bowman's Rest: Tuesdays – 5:30 p.m. Burlington, CT - Dorigen & Eloise's at 17 Bittersweet Lane, Burlington, CT. Contact Dorigen at 860-673-2240.

CT: BBM – Woodstock: Practice may still be open by appointment. Crossbows welcome. Contact Krakken at 860-928-0578 or Email: Dean_Whitehead@bose.com.

CT: Dragonship Haven: Sundays, noon-3pm (weather permitting), in Oxford, CT.

MA: Carolingia – Carlisle, MA: Sundays from 10 am to 1 pm - Archery practice runs year round, by Master Peter the Red, at his home at 94 Laurelwood Drive, Carlisle, MA. All are welcome and loaner equipment is available. Contact Peter at peter.carmichael@comcast.net or call 978-287-0808.

MA: Smoking Rocks - Trader Jan's: Practice is open Wednesdays 5:30-7:30PM; Friday 6-8PM at 288 Plymouth Ave, Fall River MA. Lane fee is \$8.00. Loaner gear is available. Contact Owen at Owen_Hudleston@yahoo.com

MA: Quintavia - (Worcester County; Central Mass): Sunday from 1-3 pm weather permitting. Rozi and Brokk's, 472 Gleasondale Road, Stow, MA.

RI: Tobyn's practice: Practice is open by appointment. Website has current information: www.baronyofthebridge.eastkingdom.org. Contact Tobyn 401-741-9130 or Radagast 401-741-9067.

Photos supplied by the candidates

Fencing

Wednesday, 7-9 p.m. Colchester Federated Church, 60 Main St., Colchester, CT 06415
Youth Fencing from 7-8PM

Thursdays, 7:30-10:00 p.m., Keefe Community Center, Hamden, CT (hosted by Barony of Dragonship Haven). Contact the Fencing Marshal (Christophel) @ fence@dragonshiphaven.eastkingdom.org.

Sundays, 1-5 p.m. at Mary Elizabeth McGrath Educational Center, 130 Elm Street, Millbury, MA (hosted by the Shire of Quintavia).

Heavy-List Fighting

Tuesdays, 7-9 Middlefield Federated Church, 402 Main Street, Middlefield, CT. Contact: Áine at ainethefearless@gmail.com

Wednesdays, 7 p.m., Barony of Bergental at Bethesda Lutheran Church, 455 Island Pond Rd., Springfield, MA. Contact Lord Harkin MacTighearnan, Knight Marshall of Barony of Bergental for more information.

Thursdays, 8-10 p.m., Keefe Community Center, Hamden, CT, hosted by Barony of Dragonship Haven). Contact Baron Osgkar of the Wood (Stephen Straut-Esden); osgkar@earthlink.net.

Thrown Weapons Practice

Tuesdays from 6 p.m.-8 p.m., weather permitting In the Canton of Ravenhill, 28 John Beach Rd Newtown, CT. Contact Michael Longstryder (Michael Intemann) thrownweapons@ymail.com 203-270-3670 (no later than 8:30 p.m.)

Youth Fighter Practice

Tuesdays, 6:30 pm-8:00 pm at Middlefield Federated Church, 402 Main Street, Middlefield, CT. Contact Aine at ainethefearless@gmail.com

Thursdays, 7-8 p.m. at the Keefe Center in Hamden, CT (hosted by Barony of Dragonship Haven). Contact the Youth Fighter Marshal (Taoisech Holt Kincaid) for more information at youth@dragonshiphaven.eastkingdom.org. Those who are new or need loaner gear should arrive a little early and a marshal will be there assist them. Please bring your own personal protection (athletic cup) and water bottles.

Canton Seneschal:

Ravenhill – Michael Christian Longstryde,
michael.seneschal@yahoo.com

Baronial Champions:

Archery Champion: Lady Ciara McRobbie

Fencing Champion: Lord Grimolfr Skulason

Heavy Weapons Champion: Lord Mark the Red Hand

Thrown Weapons Champion: Lord Rumhann
MacDuibhsithe an Bhlog Seolta

Meetings:

Baronial: Monday, May 15, 2017 @ 7:00 pm - 9 pm at Waterford Public Library, 49 Rope Ferry Rd, Waterford, CT. Contact Seneschal Marcus Allectius Felix, Seneschal@bbm.eastkingdom.org

Newcomers Meeting: TBD

Canton:

Ravenhill: Second Monday of the month, at the home of Seneschal Michael Christian Longstryde (Michael Intemann), 28 John Beach Rd, Newtown, CT 06470, 203-270-3670 (Before 9:00 pm), michael.seneschal@yahoo.com.

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Arts & Science

Middle-Eastern Dance

Sundays, 1-4 p.m., Authur Murray Dance Studio, Glen Lochen Marketplace, 39 New London Turnpike, Glastonbury, CT. Contact Mistress Su'ad (Nancy Barrett) at 860-228-6933 (before 10 p.m.); nancysuad@gmail.com.

Up Coming Events in our Barony:

Summer Solstice Shoot

**June 17th, 2017
New Britain, CT**

Come celebrate the summer solstice with us. Spend the day in joyous company

- fighting
- fencing
- thrown weapons
- gaming
- feasting
- dancing
- learning
- merchanting
- and of course
- SHOOTING ARCHERY!

For ARCHERY, we will have a fabulous fun shoot, with both competition and general shooting, as well as the Barony Beyond the Mountain Baronial Archery Tournament. We invite the archers of BBM to come out and take part in a challenging but fun shoot for the honor of representing your Barony.

Fencing for the day will include the Barony Beyond the Mountain Baronial Rapier Championship. All are welcome in the regular tournament and we can't wait to see fencers from all over BBM coming to fight to become our next Baronial Champion! Pennsic is coming up shortly and this is the only way to fight in the Known World Baronial Fencing Tournament. Come represent BBM and show the Known World what kind of fencers BBM has!

If your game is thrown weapons, it will be a day of Thrown Weapons instruction, guidance and if there is enough interest, competition. Newer people will have the opportunity to work with experienced throwers on techniques. MiT's will have the opportunity to work with experienced marshals and get some valuable range time. Royal Rounds will be available for anyone who

wishes to throw them.

We have a wonderful day planned for you with many tournaments, classes, and other fun things to do.

Site is damp. Beer, wine, mead or champagne ONLY. No spirits or spirit-based cordials are allowed on site.

No smoking or vaping on site. Not even in the parking lot. You must go outside the fence to smoke or vape.

No animals are allowed on site except Service Animals as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act (guide dogs, signal dogs, or other animals individually trained to provide assistance to an individual with a disability).

Site Open: 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Location: HSC Community Center, 370 Osgood Avenue, New Britain, CT 06053. The event site is accessible per the East Kingdom Accessibility Porter's [Checklist](#)

Registration: Adult Non-Members \$15.00

Adult Members (with Member Discount) \$10.00

Minors (17 years of age and under) free

Note the site will be open for set-up from Noon Friday the 23rd to 9:00pm and from 7:00am Saturday the 24th. Set-up ends at Midnight Saturday (Or, hopefully, MUCH earlier!)

Feast: There is no feast. Site fee includes dayboard.

Make Checks Payable to: Barony Beyond the Mountain, SCA Inc.

Event Steward: Mesterinde Anarra Karlsdottir, OL, (Terry Neill), 860-223-6843, t_neill@hotmail.com

Directions:

North, East or West, take your best route to I-84, Exit 36 (Slater Road). From the exit, continue straight onto Sterling Road. Sterling ends in a T with a wood straight ahead of you. At the woods, turn LEFT onto Corbin Avenue. The entrance to the site is on your RIGHT. It's a gate in a chain-link fence just before Osgood Avenue. If you get to Osgood you've just passed it.

From the South, take I-91 to Exit 22N (Route 9 North). Merge LEFT to Route 72 WEST towards Bristol. Take the Corbin Avenue exit. This is a right-hand exit off of Route 72. Turn RIGHT onto Corbin Avenue for ~1.3 miles. The entrance to the site is on your RIGHT. It's a gate in a chain-link fence just before Osgood Avenue. If you get to Osgood you've just passed it. (If you miss the Corbin Avenue exit, then get onto I-84 East-bound and follow the directions above.)

WHEN YOU LEAVE: IF YOU CAME ON EAST-BOUND I-84 VIA THE SLATER ROAD EXIT - Note that the on ramp to West-bound I-84 from Slater Road (Exit 36) is closed for repairs. To get onto West-bound I-84 from the event site, turn LEFT out of the parking lot and go down Corbin Avenue. Pass the CVS and three gas station at the corner of Corbin and Main streets, go straight through the stop light at that corner and then, at the next stop light, take the entrance ramp to your right onto 72 West. Move over to the left lanes, which will take you to

I-84 West-bound (Staying in the right lane will take you to I-84 East-bound).

Notice of Warranty Expiration

Date: May 3, Anno Societatis LII

To: Barony Beyond the Mountain

RE: Notice of End of Support for Baronage

Dear Valued Subjects,

The Barony Beyond the Mountain is announcing the discontinuation of your 14th Century Baron and Baroness. This discontinuation will become effective in May of Anno Societatis LIII. No further recommendations will be accepted after that dates, and there will be no further enhancements to the 14th Century product.

The Barony Beyond the Mountain will End of Reign (EOR) all versions of this product, including all maintenance and updates. Support for subjects with the current 14th Century product will be available until April 30, AS XLIII. This notice describes the timeline for the delivery of support services.

Affected Product	Version	End of Reign for Version	End of Support Life for Version
BBM-D	5.0	May, AS LIII	April 30, AS LIII
BBM-E	4.0	May, AS LIII	April 30, AS LIII
BBM-C (if so equipped)	1.0	May, AS LIII	April 30, AS LIII

If you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact your seneschal.

In order to receive timely notification on updates and the support lifecycle for your 14th Century product, please be sure to visit the following link to monitor our official newsletter. <http://www.bbm.eastkingdom.org>.

We look forward to providing service for your new Baronage product.

The Laws of the East Kingdom

Section VII. Branches

C. Polling Procedures

The Crown may poll any land group at any given time for any reason they see fit. The Heirs may poll any land group at any given time for any reason they see fit with the permission of The Crown. Polling processes mandated by East Kingdom Law must adhere to the following criteria.

1. *A gentle may participate in the polling who:*
 - a. *Holds a current Society membership. Any gentle who joins the SCA or cures a lapse in Society membership during a polling process will not be sent a ballot but may obtain one from the Officer administering the poll, if they provide proof of Society membership and residence.*
 - b. *Resides within the formally approved boundaries of the branch.*
2. *Ballots and the Polling Process*
 - a. *The members of a branch must be polled by ballots mailed via the postal system.*
 - i. *Ballots must be prepared by the Local Seneschal in accordance with one of the Kingdom ballot templates (available on the Documents page of the Kingdom Seneschal's website), and be approved by the Kingdom Seneschal or his appointed Deputy.*
 - ii. *Expenses of preparing and mailing the ballots will be borne by the branch. However, a branch may petition the Kingdom Seneschal and the East Kingdom Council of the Exchequer to have the costs covered by the Kingdom.*
 - iii. *Ballots must be mailed to the voting members no less than 30 days but no more than 45 days before the closing date of the polling.*
 - iv. *A voting member may obtain a ballot from the Local Seneschal if one was not received by mail.*
 - b. *Ballots must be printed with:*
 - i. *A statement of the purpose of the polling.*
 - ii. *The closing date of the polling.*
 - iii. *Instructions for completing and returning the ballot.*
 - iv. *The recipient and address to which the completed ballots must be returned.*
 - v. *A choice of statements allowing the ballot recipient to certify whether or not they are at least fourteen years of age.*
 - vi. *A list of candidates or choices, including the option to abstain.*
 - vii. *Spaces for the ballot recipient to fill in their Society membership number and legal name.*
 - viii. *A space for the ballot recipient's legal signature.*
 - c. *For ballots to be counted, they must:*
 - i. *Be returned to the Branch Polling Deputy and received, in a sealed envelope, by the closing date of the polling as printed on the ballot.*
 - ii. *Be properly completed and signed with the voting member's legal name legibly printed on it.*
 - d. *At a minimum, ballots will be tallied by the Branch Polling Deputy, a Regional Seneschal, and the Kingdom Seneschal (or designate). Talliers must not reside in the branch conducting the polling or have any other conflict of interest regarding the polling. Returned ballots may only be viewed by the talliers, the Kingdom Seneschal and/or the Kingdom Seneschal's designates, and The Crown.*
 - e. *At least one-half (50%) of the polled members must respond to the polling for a polling to be considered valid. If a polling fails to be valid by this criterion, the disposition of the polling falls to The Crown.*
 - i. *Properly executed ballots from members less than 14 years old shall count to establish the polling validity.*
 - ii. *Only properly executed ballots from members 14 years old or more shall count toward the preference tally.*
 - iii. *Any ballot returned by a member which is not properly executed shall be declared invalid and shall not count at all.*

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- f. *For pollings in which a single-choice ballot template is used, the outcome of the polling will be determined by a simple majority of valid returned ballots. If a polling fails to result in such a simple majority, the disposition of the polling falls to The Crown.*
 - g. *The results of the polling must be reported to The Crown and Kingdom Seneschal within three weeks of the closing date of the polling.*
 - h. *Upon The Crown's receipt of the results of the polling, The Crown has four weeks to inform the Kingdom Seneschal, the Seneschal of the polled barony, the polled barony's current Territorial Baron/Baroness, and the newly-selected successor(s) which of the candidate(s) presented in the poll has been selected to be the next Baron/Baroness. Should the four-week period overlap the Coronation of Their Heirs, the current Crown may either make the selection, or defer to the Heirs. If the selection is deferred, the new Crown shall make the selection within four weeks after their Coronation.*
 - i. *The selection of a Baronial Seat once made shall be binding regardless of the date of the Baronial Investiture.*
 - j. *If the Kingdom Seneschal and The Crown agree that a variance from this process is reasonable and will not impact the integrity of the process, one may be granted.*
3. *Proxies*
- a. *Proxies are not valid for use in any polling mandated by East Kingdom Law.*
 - b. *The use of proxies in local voting is discouraged. However, if local policy or custom allows their use, proxies must:*
 - i. *Be signed and legibly printed with the signatory's legal name.*
 - ii. *Be dated.*
 - iii. *Be worded for use for one or several specific issues that will be addressed at a specific date or meeting.*
 - iv. *Be accompanied by proof of the signatory's Society membership, if local policy or custom requires Society membership for the matter being voted upon.*

Barony Beyond the Mountain Election Policy

IV. The Baronage.

1. Selection and Review

- a. *The Baron and/or Baroness of the Barony (the "Baronage") will be selected and reviewed as set forth in Kingdom Law.*
- b. *The election policies of the Barony are set forth in Schedule B of this Custom.*

2. Term. The Baronage will serve for a term as defined in Kingdom law.

Schedule B

The Election Policies for the Baronage of the Barony Beyond the Mountain

All capitalized terms in this Schedule A will retain their meanings as defined in the Baronial Custom.

I. The election policies of the Barony as regards the Baronage (the "Election Policies") will conform to the election policies of the SCA and the Kingdom as regards the Baronage.

II. Election Process.

1. Timing.

- a. *No later than one year prior to the end of the current Baronage's term, the Seneschal or their designee will:*
 - i. *commence the planning process for the Major Event to install the new Baronage (the "Investiture"). Event planning at this stage will consist of a minimum of the selection of a month mutually acceptable to the Barony and the outgoing Baronage for Investiture.*

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- ii. determine the current polling procedure as set forth by the Governing Documents and Kingdom Law, ascertain the materials and timetable required, and convey this information to the Populace at the Meeting.
 - iii. contact the royalty regarding the proposed Investiture date as soon as possible.
 - b. No later than nine months prior to the month selected for Investiture the Seneschal or their designee will issue a call for nominations of candidates. This will include but not be limited to announcements at Meetings, announcements on the official Baronial email list, and publication in the Newsletter and the Kingdom newsletter.
 - i. Candidates will nominate themselves. No one may nominate a third party.
 - ii. Nominations must be sent to the Seneschal or their designee, and the Baronage.
 - iii. Nominations may be sent via first class mail or email.
 - iv. Nominations must include proof of eligibility.
 - v. Eligible nominations will be announced by the Seneschal or their designee at Meetings, on the official Baronial email list, and published in the Newsletter on an ongoing basis.
 - c. No later than seven months prior to the month selected for Investiture the Seneschal or their designee will commence the selection of a form of ballot. The decision of the form of ballot will be made by the Populace as set forth in Section VI(4) of the Custom.
 - d. No later than six months prior to the date selected for Investiture nominations will close and the Seneschal or their designee will finalize the form of ballot and send it to the Kingdom for approval.
 - e. No later than four months prior to the date selected for Investiture, the Seneschal or their designee will send the ballots to those members of the Populace who are eligible to vote as determined by the Governing Documents and Kingdom Law. Ballots will include:
 - i. The form of ballot;
 - ii. A self-addressed stamped envelope for the return of the ballot;
 - iii. A copy of the election issue of the Newsletter.

2. Newsletter.

A special edition of the Newsletter will be prepared for the election, containing the following:

- a. The sections of Kingdom Law that address pollings for the Baronage;
- b. The Election Policies of the Barony;
- c. The list of candidates, including both SCA and legal names;
- d. If they so choose, letters from the candidates, subject to the following guidelines:
 - i. One letter per candidate or candidate slate;
 - ii. The subject matter is at the candidates' discretion;
 - iii. Letters may be up to 1,000 words in length;
 - iv. Letters must be received by the deadline for publication set by the chronicler;
 - v. Letters will be published without editing by the chronicler; and
 - vi. Letters may be submitted in any format legible to the chronicler;
- e. The special edition of the Newsletter will be published as usual, and will also be printed and sent with the ballots. Funds necessary for the printing will be provided by the Barony and will not require approval by the Financial Committee.

III. Changes to the Election Policy.

The Election Policy may be amended at any time by the following process:

1. The proposed changes must be presented by a paid member, in writing, to the Seneschal and the Baronage.
 2. The proposed changes must be discussed and voted upon by the Populace present at a regular Meeting. The changes will be deemed approved upon receipt of a simple majority.
 3. Approved changes must be published in the Newsletter.
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Letter of Intent – Baron and Baroness of the Barony Beyond the Mountain

*Lord Mark the Red Hand
Mark Stevens
17d. Mead Street
New Britain, CT 06051
Membership #67655
Exp. Mar. 31, 2019*

*Lady Gwenllian ferch Llewellyn ap Henry
Lisa Stevens
17d. Mead Street
New Britain, CT 06051
Membership # 142089
Exp. Mar. 31, 2019*

For those who don't know us, please allow us to introduce ourselves.

In the Society I am Mark the Red Hand. I am the current Baronial Heavy List champion and hold the office of Minister of the Lists. I am a Companion of the Order of the White Oak and have received several tokens of appreciation for helping at Baronial events. In addition I have been awarded with the Trunca de Plata, a household award for attending all Heavy List fights at my first Pennsic with great enthusiasm (There are only about eight out there so this is not given to all household fighters.) I began in the SCA in 2001 in the Shire (now Barony) of Smoking Rocks, and continued my participation in the Canton of Bowman's Rest after moving to the Barony in 2002.

In the Society I am Gwenllian ferch Llewellyn ap Henry. For the last seven years, I have held the office of Chatelaine, welcoming newcomers and helping them join and enjoy the hobby I have participated in for 20 years now. I am a Companion of the Order of the Silver Wheel. I also have the honor to hold the Queen's Order of Distinction, Order of the White Oak and many times have been recognized locally with tokens of appreciation for helping to run events. I started in the SCA in 1996 in the Canton of Bowman's Rest while working nights with another member and hearing lots about this great hobby where she spent her weekends and vacations with people of many different names (Turns out she was only speaking of, maybe, three or four people. I was very confused until I got to meet them.) I've been in this Barony for my entire SCA career, and currently reside in the Parish of Bowman's Rest where I was exchequer for three years until we made the difficult decision to suspend the Canton in favor of being able to better support the Barony.

Our intent in running for Baron and Baroness is to continue our tradition of service while welcoming new people and new ideas to the Barony. Our current Baron and Baroness have encouraged this and more. We would like to see a continued sense of community as well as opportunities to bring new projects and concepts to life. We feel that it is essential for our leaders to encourage such growth while also continuing to recognize deserving people for their efforts. BBM has always been a group whose Baron/ess has led lightly from the top – that light touch is an integral part of who we have become as a barony, and after so long with the group we have a great respect for that character. Our desire is to maintain that essential and unique nature while remaining open to new people and fresh perspectives.

While our approach to and execution of the Baronial office will obviously differ from previous holders, we expect some things to remain. We love the muster for the march to opening ceremonies at Pennsic. We wish to see activities of all kinds continue and increase within the Barony. We would like to encourage continuation of our current demos, and hopefully see them diversify to include more martial activities of all sorts. We also hope to see meetings include people from more areas of the Barony, and would welcome input on ways to make that happen.

For more than fifteen and twenty years respectively, the Barony Beyond the Mountain has been our home. We would be honored to be allowed to serve our Barony, friends, and neighbors as your Baron and Baroness should you choose us. Please feel free to ask us any questions, or run ideas by us. We love to talk about ideas.

Mark and Gwenllian



Unto Their Excellencies Dorien of Lewes and Eloise of Coulter, and unto their Seneschal and their Barony Beyond the Mountain, greetings.

We, Lady Sisule Buitler and Lord Rumhann mac Duib Sidhe hereby declare our desire and intent to stand for the position of Baron and Baroness of the Barony Beyond the Mountain.

Rumhann is long of the East, having begun to play in A.S. 20 in Mountain Freehold, before moving to Connecticut for a while, becoming an archer and a member of Clan Kveldulf. While living in Atlantia for a time, he practiced with the Needwood Company of Archers, and authorized as a thrown weapons marshal, and continues with hurling bits of wood and metal at targets at high speed in various forms, as well as in leatherworking and blacksmithing. Currently, he serves as this Barony's Captain of Archers.

Sisule has traveled extensively, living and playing in five baronies in four kingdoms over fifteen years. She has been the Deputy Society Seneschal for Law and Policy, a deputy submissions herald in Northshield and Calontir, Lanner Herald (ceremonies), Dean of Performing Arts at Pennsic, an archer, fencer, costumer, general textilist, troll, bard, herald, and cook. Currently, she serves as this Barony's Webminister.

Since we moved (back) here in 2014, we have been proud to call the Barony Beyond the Mountain home. The artistry and service on display here is astounding, and we have been impressed with the ability of the barony to hold well received and profitable events, as well as being solicited by groups outside our boundaries to hold demonstrations because we have such a good reputation. And the flowering of the martial activities in the barony that had so long been in dormancy has been fabulous to behold.

There do, however, seem to be a couple of divisions within the group. First, between those who participate without engagement and those who tend to have a very high level of service. In many non-profit groups, this is referred to as the 80/20 rule - 80% of the work is done by 20% of the people in any given volunteer scenario. One of the ways we have found to increase engagement is through community building social activities such as A&S nights, sewing days, and social gatherings. At present, the "barony" seems to only meet at marshal practices and at business meetings. Regardless of the polling outcome, we would like to open our home as an interstate-convenient location for baronial gatherings (which can also move around the barony if hosts are willing) on one Sunday a month for social time, which may include classes or baronial "projects" as needed. As a populace we do have baronial projects - it is always helpful to have cool and/or amazing collaborative endeavors to display at events and demonstrations. Garlands to mark list fields, banners to decorate feast halls, gold key sort-and-repair are the sorts of projects which fall into the categories of 'Many Hands Make Light Work', and very little experience or commitment required beyond the one day. As such, they work for newcomers and people with tight schedules as well as those who just don't feel up to a higher level of participation. However, this gives all of us a larger sense of our local community as a barony.

The other division that becomes notable upon acquaintance with the group is geographical. The Connecticut River is a divide that few end up crossing with much regularity, either in the Society or in modern life. We fear that the Barony will not survive as a cohesive unit if we do not make conscious, dedicated efforts to build bridges across this boundary. As Baron and Baroness, we promise we would do our best to work with all corners of the barony, to work with the southern coast as much as Ravenhill. Travel is our normal state of affairs, and the Barony deserves leadership who will be able and willing to promote Baronial interests within the barony and beyond.

We have taken counsel of our peers, our friends, and many of the landed and formerly landed barons and baronesses before considering placing our names before the barony. We have considered time, ability, finances, and support structures before deciding that this is something that we wished to seek, and would be honored to hold on behalf of the populace of the Barony Beyond the Mountain and the Crown of the East.

*In service to Crown and Kingdom,
Lord Rumhann mac Duib Sidhe and Lady Sisuille Buitiler*



To their Excellencies BBM and to our Seneschal Felix-

My wife, Lady Sitt al-Gharb ha-niqret Khazariyya, and myself Lord Grimolfr Skulason would like to officially through our names into the hat to be the next heirs of Barony Beyond the Mountain.

We have included a picture of our current SCA membership cards.

Samantha Tanguay

ID# 175151

Exp date: 7/31/17

Robert Tanguay

ID# 208476

Exp date: 7/31/17

Thank you,

In Service to the Realm,

Lord Grímólfr Skúlason - White Oak Persuivant, BBM Marshal of Fence

Lady Sitt al-Gharb ha-niqret Khazariyya

To their Excellencies and our Seneschal-

We would just like to speak to a few points that we would like to do if we were to become the next Baron and Baroness of Barony Beyond the Mountain and to why we feel that we would be able to perform this job.

We feel that we can bring a fresh element to the barony with some of the suggestions we would like to make.

We have started a successful monthly Bardic Circle night that started last year. We have had guests from not only Beyond the Mountain, but also Dragonship Haven and Bridge. Everyone has a different skill set that has come and has a blast telling and listening to stories and sharing of songs and instrumentals.

We have started a successful rapier practice in the barony when we didn't have one for many years. It started with the intent to have Armored Combat, Youth Combat, Fencing, and Youth Fencing. We have had some hiccups along the road, but we have learned from them and are on our way to having this continue to be a successful and fruitful contribution to Beyond the Mountain.

We have also run a successful demo in the Colchester area. With no experience with demos prior to that one, we were able to work with some other BBMs to have representation from both martial activity and A&S. We still see people in the area that remember us from that day and ask about local activities. We are always chatelaines first when speaking to everyone in barony and beyond.

A couple of the things that we would like to bring to BBM are to see if we can spread our events throughout the barony so that all members feel included. Whether they live in one of the closed cantons or in the Canton of Ravenhill, we want to have all our members know that the barony does care about them wherever they are.

We would also like to start a youth initiative in BBM. The youth of the barony are our future and we would like them to be able to be recognized more in their martial prowess, A&S activities, and the service that they can provide.

*Thank you for your consideration,
Lord Grimolfr and Lady Khazariyya*

Congratulations to:

*Lady Gwenllian ferch Llewellyn ap Henry on
the passing of her name and device: Purple,
a domestic cat sejant contourny and a chief
rayonny Or.*



And

*Lord Grmiolfr Skulason
On receiving the Order of the Silver Rapier and
winning the Heraldic Display Competition at
Balfar's Challenge*



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