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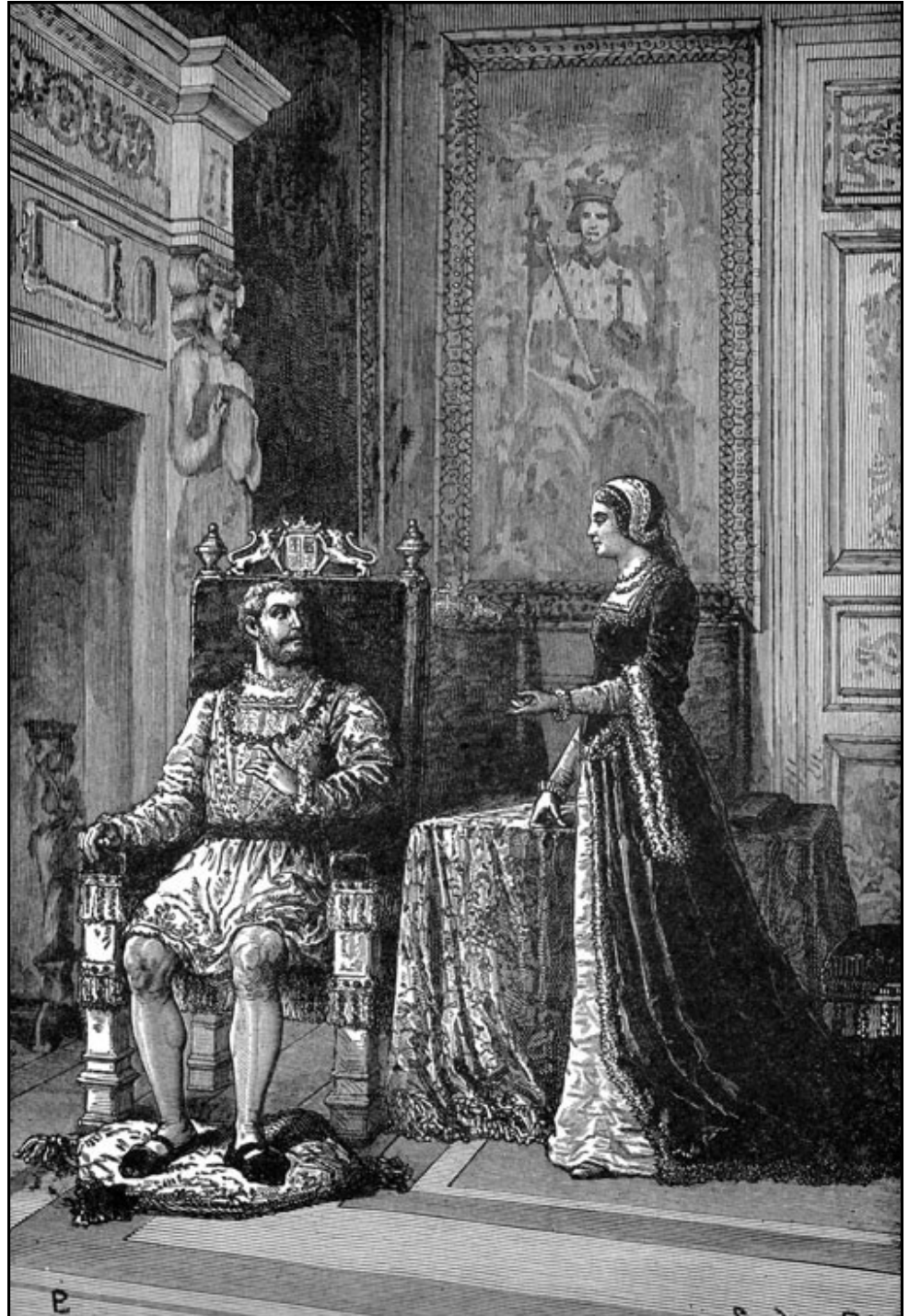
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From the Baronage



Unto the populace of Vatavia, Greetings from Their Excellencies,

Welcome to the new bimonthly Dragonflyer! Thank you Lady Aelia for your hard work in putting this together and sharing it with us!

It has been a busy spring, hasn't it? First there was Kingdom A&S, which was truly an event of epic fabulousness! Then RenFaire, where we stood firm against some memorable wins and had a great time! We got to welcome an awesome new group of champions (including, for the first time, a member of Theobald College). And even though Westumbria isn't part of Vatavia, it was great to see so many people make the drive to hang out and taste test the Valor tavern menu.

Speaking of... Valor! Valor! Valor! Believe it or not, it's only a few short months away! Come, have fun! Partake of delicious food! Enjoy the new baronial shade-fly! And, since you're there, why not help out at troll, or with waterbearing, or in the tavern, or just about anything else you can think of? Helping at events is a great way to meet new people!

Officers, do you have a deputy? Non-officers, have you ever thought "I would love to do _____, but I don't know how/have the time"? Being a deputy is a great way to learn a position on a part-time basis. Deputies help out with the officer's duties. They also step up on a short term basis if life happens to the officer. So, if you have a dream SCA "job," talk to the person who has it now!

In service,
HL Donald Macdonald, Baron
Ly Zoe Mikre, Baronessa



From the Chatelaine



Unto the Fair Barony of Vatavia, do I, Lady Deirdre de Warenne of Childentun send Greetings...

I'd like to take a moment to welcome all the newcomers to the SCA and to Vatavia! They are a wonderful bunch of people! They are very enthusiastic about learning about EVERYTHING! Please introduce yourself and be ready to answer a ton of questions!

It has been a very busy couple of months, with activities in Theobald College and Westumbria, as well as our local events - Ren Fair, Champions, and spring finally made it, which means out-door fighter and archery practices!

If you are heading to any upcoming events, and find yourself with an extra seat or two in your vehicle, please see if any of the new people are interested in going!

I will be hosting a persona roundtable in the next few weeks, at Wednesday evening A&S. I will welcome new people and older members to share their stories.

Have a great spring!

In Service to the Dream
Lady Deirdre de Warenne of Childentun

From the Seneschal

Greetings Vatavia!

Summer is upon us, in these, the lands that burn. Hopefully a few events and revels have been under your belts the last couple of months, and hopefully a few more in the next couple of months. The War of the Lillies is right around the corner. A great opportunity to share great times with your kingdom for new comers and old hands alike. The Coronation of Their Highnesses is in July, as well as the newly reinstated Caloncon. All great times to see friends, learn things, and truly enjoy what it is to be in the SCA.

Officers, Check your calendar and make sure Caloncon is on it. It is a requirement of your office to attend. If you will be unable to make it to the event, please contact you Kingdom officer, Your regional officer, and myself ASAP. Obviously real life happens and it happens at a moments' notice. But the sooner it is known that you will be unable to attend, the better off everyone will be. Also, should you be fortunate enough to have a deputy, I strongly suggest you ride with them and attend together. It's a great way to save on expenses and allow them to learn more about your office.

Also, Officers, Reports are due July 15th. We rocked first quarter, getting our reports in early and precisely. Please continue your awesomeness and get them in as early as July first. This includes all Marshals' reports. Make your Knight Marshal, Archery Marshal, Regional marshal, all very happy. Get them in. Thanks.

On July fifth we will be building new shelves for the storage unit. Please bring tools, water, snacks. I will be smoking some meat product for lunch for everyone that shows up to help. On July 6th, we will be heading over to Lady Yukiko's house to get the last remaining property out of her house and shed. We will t en be doing inventory. Again, your help will be needed and much appreciated. DO not worry if you cannot dedicate your entire weekend. Any time you have will be greatly appreciated.

Finally, Valor is right around the corner and will be here before we know it. Lady Lucia and Lord Robert have a great event planned. Please volunteer early, and volunteer often for whatever it is that they need. It takes a great deal of effort to pull off an event the size of Valor, and lighter work happens with many hands.

In Service to Crown and Kingdom,
Ottar Surtson



From the Archer Marshall

Greeting unto the populous of Vatavia from your Archer Marshall

Since we are coming into the summer months we will begin to have practice outdoor at the practice field at the northeast corner of 53rd and Maize (behind the bank) on Sundays. As the days get warmer we will probably move the time earlier so that we will not cook in the direct sun and be able to get done before the heat of the day.

I would like to commend the strong showing of Vatavian archers (and Calontiri archers) on Known World shooting sites, namely the Inter Kingdom Archery Competition and Society Seasonal Archery Challenge. I would like to continue shooting these as much as possible to get everyone's name out there and promote Calontir (and Vatavia) archery in the Known World.

I would also like to say that it warmed my heart when I saw so many Vatavians come and shoot at the Westumbria Regional Practice and the Vatavian Champions event (we even managed to get His Lordship Uldin to shoot!) Congratulations to our new Champion, Lady Lucia of Vatavia!

We have an exciting archery season coming up with so many events to choose from that have archery involved. With Lilies coming up and Coronation and Caloncon following shortly afterward there will be a plethora of events happening. Let's not forget to look south of our borders to Ansteorra as there are some very good events coming up that are easily in driving distance that are showcasing archery.

Yours in service,
Lord William Douglas

From the Caltrop Pursuivant

Good Gentles all,

The past few months have been very productive for Vatavia. I am proud to report that we have gained a promising new Voice Herald in Milord Nikolai, who graciously donated his time at our Spring Demo with the Great Plains Renaissance Festival. Not to mention we have a number of items in process at Kingdom level, and also at Laurel level; Lady Aelia and Lady Deidra's submissions are currently in process, and we should have notification on Milord Rodrigo's submissions at some point in the next few months.



As of this writing, this quarter I have not received any word of returns or conflicts, which is a good thing. In addition, we recently confirmed the approval of Milady Persephone's device:

Vert, three stoiles argent each conjoined to a mascle, issuant from base a demi-sun Or

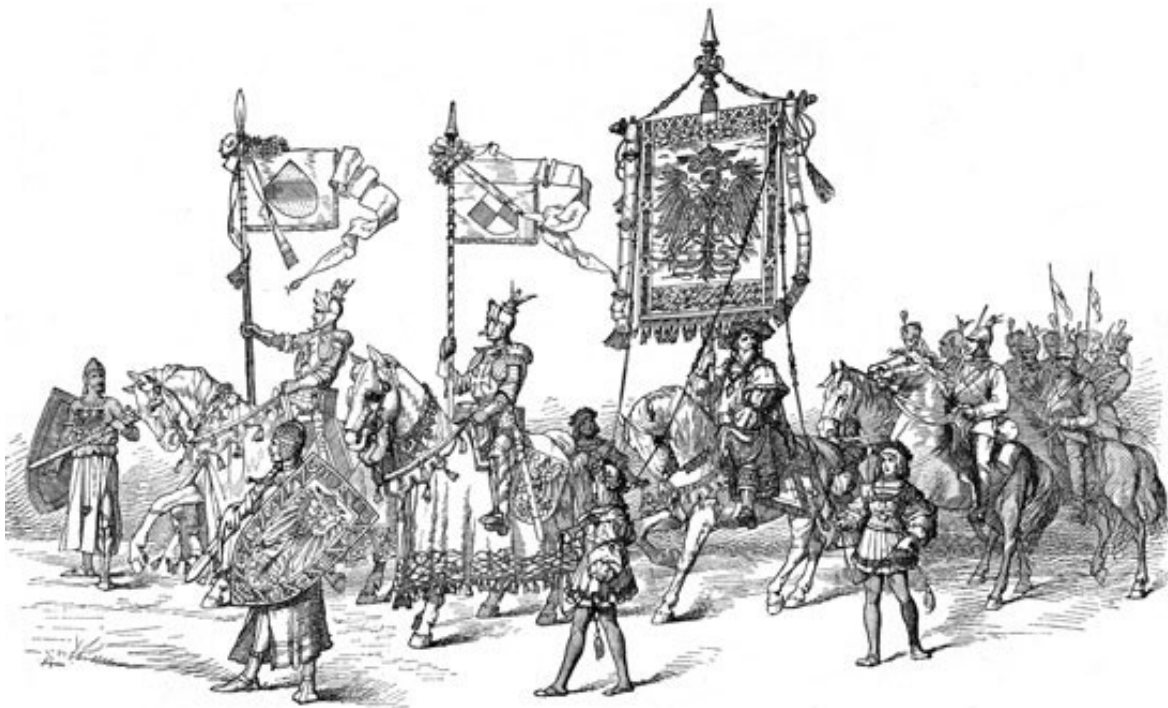


Even more impressive, with the approval of the Badge for Vatavia's Cut & Thrust order: *Azure, a dragonfly between two dussacks in pile or; a bordure countercompony vert and or*, we have established the defining instance for dussacks as a charge- or more simply, we are the first people in the SCA to have the dussack, or practice blade, approved for use as a heraldic charge. Well done, Vatavia!

Don't forget that the office of the Caltrop Pursuivant is always at your disposal. If any of you have an idea for a personal device, or a name change, or anything to do with who you are in the Barony, now is a good time to get together with the Caltrop staff and do a consultation! Feel free to talk to myself, HE Marie Chantal, or Lord Karl if you have a question on a name or heraldic device, and we'll do what we can to point you in the right direction. For those of you wanting to take a crack at initial designs and possibly practice filling in forms prior to a consultation, there are submission forms at <http://heraldry.calontir.org/forms.htm> available for download.

Keep an eye on the Kingdom calendar, for there will be events aplenty over the next coming months, and a good many of those will need Voice Heralds, Book Heralds to help at consult tables, or both.

In service,
Johann
Caltrop Pursuivant



Officer's Meeting—April

14 members attended: 12 Baronage/officers/deputies/champions; 1 event steward; 1 member of the populace

Last minute preparations for the Renaissance Festival April 12th-13th are being made. Waivers will be made available once they are received. An individual to organize the pop booth volunteers is still needed. Ld. Corrigan is organizing the presentation April 26th at Northeast High School's Shakespeare Day. The Exploration Place presentations for the summer have been scheduled. May 4th will be a presentation on 'Natural Dyes' by Ysmay. July 27th is games. As of yet no date is confirmed for September.

A 'Meet and Greet' for newcomers, including an Easter egg hunt and ice cream social, titles will be held in conjunction with the Champions' event April 27th at Camp Hawk. The pot luck formula will be posted once it is organized. Non-Vatavian green cord holders may compete for Champion. Kingdom calendar changes will require the Masters of the Duel event to be rescheduled.

Arts and sciences classes are scheduled out to September. Plans have been made for new Gold Key loaner garb. Notification on registrations are expected this month, May and August. The *Dragonflyre* will go to bi-monthly publication with the next issue coming out in May. The populace and officers need to plan accordingly for artwork, letters, fliers, and picture submissions to the *Dragonflyre*.

The Exchequer stated that office's report is ready and just awaiting the bank statement.

A invitation from Westumbria to attend a regional fighter practice to be held there the first weekend in May has been accepted.

The Seneschal reminded officers that reports are due for the first quarter. Copies should also be sent to his deputy, Ld. William. The Arts and Sciences Minister is looking for a deputy.

At the Kingdom Witan meeting it was stressed that announcements, calendar and event changes, cancellations, meetings, etc. must go through official channels and sites before unofficial publications and sites. The Calon Con has been re-established on the Kingdom calendar for the third weekend in July. That is July 27th this year. All local officers and regional deputies are required to attend. The site is still to be determined.

There being no other business the meeting adjourned.



Officer's Meeting—May

12 members attended: 12 officers/deputies/champions; 2 members of the populace

The 'Natural Dyes' presentation May 4th was very successful. The next scheduled demonstrations are 'Games' on July 27th and 'Arms, Armor, and Archery' September 21st. Efforts to reschedule the planned McConnell Base demo event continue.

The Caltrop Pursuivant announced that Persephone's device resubmission had been registered. The Chatelaine is working with new members on their areas of interest. Several have enthusiastically become involved in different activities immediately. Costuming will be held the second and fourth Sundays of the month in the Fellowship Hall of Martinson Avenue Christian Church. However it was noted the days may be changed this month due to Mothers' Day and Memorial Day. The BUSH (Baronial University of Societal Humanities) class May 14 will be on court etiquette.

Valor information will be sent to the Baronial website soon. The beginning of July work on the Baronial shed and property is planned: July 5th building shelving, July 6th moving property and inventorying. The new shade flies have been obtained and include the needed poles, ropes and stakes.

It was announced that several new members attended the regional fighter practice in Westumbria. One new member did very well in his first heavy weapons practice. Regular Sunday practice is at the outdoor location, South Linwood Park from 11 am to 2 pm.

The Seneschal noted that the busy spring, summer season has begun. Melees and Mayhem and the Ansteorran Castellon event are May 17th; Horse and Falcon May 24th. Then it will be June and Lilies. July has Coronation and the following weekend Calon Con. Officers were reminded that Calon Con attendance is required.

There being no other business the meeting adjourned.

Vatavian Events

Populace Meeting

Third Wednesday, 7 pm to 9 pm

VFW Post 112, 1560 South Topeka Street, Wichita, KS
67211

Arts and Sciences Gathering

1st, 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 7-9 pm at MACC*

For more information, contact: Lady Mor Hoistclair
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Fighter Practice

Sundays at 11 AM, South Linwood Park
Hydraulic & Mt. Vernon, next to the tennis courts
For more information, contact: Lord Corrigan
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Archery Practice

During the winter practice will be held on Sundays at
Diamond Archery, from 12 PM-2 PM, 926 West Harry,
Wichita, KS.

For more information, contact: Lord William Douglas
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Officers/Finance Meetings

First Wednesday of the month at MACC*.
Open to the general populace, 7 pm to 9 pm

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*MACC = *Martinson Avenue Christian Church*
1653 S. Martinson Avenue



Kingdom Events

June 14 - 22 Lilies War XXVIII | (Smithville, MO)

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July 12 - 13 Summer Coronation | Lost Moor (St. Joseph, MO)

July 19 - 20 CalonCon | Dun Ard (Leavenworth, KS)

July 26 - 27 Feast of Eagles | Cúm An Iolair (South Johnson County, KS)

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August 02 - 10 Pennsic | Aethelmearc (Slippery Rock, PA)

August 16 - 17 Harpies and Hillians | Heraldshill (Charles City, IA)

August 16 - 17 Mad Dogs & Englishmen | Carlsby (Lawrence, KS)

August 23 - 24 Cattle Raids | Mag Mor (Lincoln, NE)

August 30 - 31 Tournament of Valor | Vatavia (Wichita, KS)

August 30 - 31 Known World Bardic Congress and Cooks Collegium | Jaravellir (Wisconsin Dells, WI)

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