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From fighting for the Glory of Atlantia, to painting Baronial banners, to making beautiful award scrolls in many different media,

Baron Hrothgar

Ravensson does it

all





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Meet the Artist

Baron Hrothgar Ravensson has been involved in art his whole life. His best grades at school were in art. He was encouraged by his mother who made sure he had all the art supplies he needed to grow his talent.

About 15 years ago he was introduced to the SCA by a friend and was immediately drawn to the Society for its fighting opportunities. He has risen through the fighter ranks to the level of a Knight.

Currently he is serving as the Baron of Hidden Mountain. But being a **Barron** has not altered his artistic contributions. Recently he has made an award for a feast Stewart, a Pinnacle of the Mountain award and several AoA's.

Hrothgar Ravensson likes the challenge of learning new art forms, and will take on almost anything new. Besides his wonderful painting abilities, he makes scrolls in the form of wood burning, he builds boxes and other items to decorate either by painting on wood burning, he also makes armor.

He says; "While fighting is what first brought me in, I eventually fell in love with all the other aspects of the society. It has really given me an opportunity to work on my art.



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From Their Excellencies

Baroness Isabella
Arabella Daughter



Baron Hrothgar
Ravensson

Greetings into our wonderful populace.

Alantian crown has come and gone and we have new heirs for our kingdom, **vivat** to Highnesses Christoph & Adelheit! Winter draws nigh, and we have recovered from war. Now on to the cold season and we can hear the Yuletide bells ring! Our next event that we will attend will be Nottingham Coil Baronial Birthday, which will be a grand and special event. As always we seek recommendations for those gentiles who deserve recognition amongst the populace. Let us know! We love seeing good deeds and service go rewarded and seen. As always make sure we are uplifting one another and welcoming growth! Our mountain is full of beautiful and rare gems that are truly one of a kind people. Our diamonds! We continue to work on our baronial sheet walls, and appreciate all the help we have had with this project. Thank you to everyone who stepped up and volunteered to help move this along. We know many hands make light work. **Vivat** hidden mountain, may we ever prosper in love, craft and **Martial** arts.

Sincerely Baron Hrothgar & Baroness Isabella



From the Chronicler



Unto the Populous of Hidden Mountain I send greetings and good cheer.

There is a new section in the Newsletter this month. Coloring pages for the children. It replaces the crossword puzzle that has not had a lot of activity. I hope this change is something that the populace of Hidden Mountain likes.

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As the saying goes, It takes a village to make a newsletter

This month's village consists of::

Baron Hrothgar Ravensson

Mistress Jorunn nic Lochlainn

Thank you for contributing to this issue of the newsletter!

Information on Submissions



Submission deadline is the 25th of the month.

These forms **MUST be signed**, an electronic signature is OK. Here is one (of many sites) where you can add electronic signatures: <https://www.adobe.com/sign.html>

- The Grant of Use Form is used by an author or artist for articles, poems, stories, songs, etc. or for original artwork (not clip art). Note that no form is needed for correspondence from officers or autocrats, for event notices, or for captions: <http://chronicler.atlantia.sca.org/ReleaseCreativeFillable.pdf>
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Submit material for the Mayhem by **emailing** to the Chronicler at: chronicler@hiddenmountain.atlantia.sca.org



Hidden Mountain Baronial Meeting

Report by

Lord Pippin the Red 10/29/23

Officer Reports:

Seneschal: My time is almost up and its time to start searching for my replacement. Please submit intent to me by Decembers meeting

Herald: Report filed, submissions sent out have been sent out and hoping to hear news in the next 2 or 3 months.

Knight Marshal:

MOAS: Had classes at Wow, A&S Meetups as well. Baroness Isabella taught as class.

Exchequer: As of this date, the checking account holds \$10,884.81

As you may know by now, the new register-for-events-by-credit-card- or-PayPal system – called

SCORES – has gone live in Atlantia. Groups hosting events MUST, MUST, MUST be up to date on ALL their reporting, or they won't be able to register their event to use the SCORES.

An electronic pre-registration list will be generated and sent to the group just before the event, and a check for all fees collected for the event, minus the Corporate cut, will be mailed after it, just as for SCARS. We should now be using this system for all future Baronial events.

As of now, both the Kingdom and Corporate Exchequer, have requested that we migrate the Baronial Account to First Citizens Bank. As all outstanding checks from Silver Chalice have been cashed, I will be changing the Baronial Account to First Citizens in November.

The Quarterly Report has been filed and so far has not been rejected. Silver Chalice made a total profit of \$1,812.66. I would ask that the Storage Facility be asked for an invoice for the next calendar year, which I will pay in December. Motion to put \$50 aside to pay for new checks and to move the account to First Citizens passed.

Chronicler: Should have News Letter out by the 1st.

Chatelaine: Had 1 Newcomer at Wow and took Gold Key for them to use. History teachers from Charleston has reached out to Seifred about a Demo. Mythical and Medieval Fest in November.

Webminister: Website updated with all of the Mayhems, Calendar needs to be updated for the next 5 months.

Youth: Offered classes at WoW,

Baronage: WoW was great, thanks to everyone that processed and helped retained. Saw lots of members doing great things. Next event is Manannan and looking forward to seeing everyone there. Please let us know if you need something from Storage or just anything in general.

Old Business:


- Mythical Fest- Rathole Acres in Socastee Nov 18th-19th, scheduled to be present for Nov 11th-12/18th-19th. Need fighters for the second weekend. Schedule has 2 slots.
 - Baronial Birthday- still building staff.

New Business:

- Next Business Meetings- Nov 26th, Jan 7th, Feb 17 (Sat), March 24th (Last sunday before Baronial Birthday), April 14th
- Christmas Meeting: Dec 17th In Person/Zoom at Sir Heinrichs House at 2 pm ending at 7pm
- Silver Chalice 2024: need to think about Autocrat and Budget by January Meeting.
- Spring Crown: We want to put a bid in for Spring Crown. Motion passed that if date is available we go ahead and reserve the Site of Sandy Ridge Girl Scout Camp. Either Qulan or Pippin will be the Autocrat. Both need to submit a Bid

Upcoming Events

November 2021

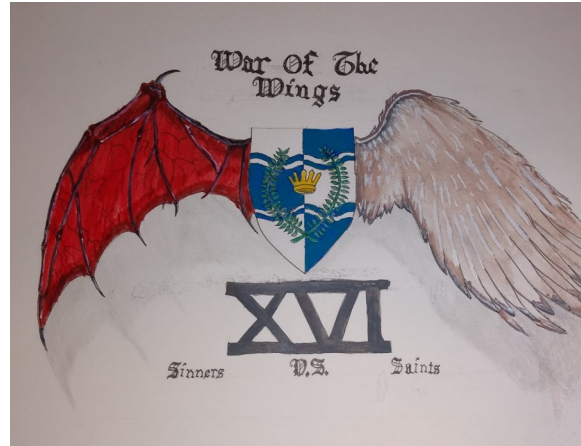
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| 11-03 - 11-05 | Crown Tournament | Courtland VA (Marinus) (Q K)  |
| 11-9 | Scribal at 7 PM— email for address | Umm Samin's home |
| 11-10 - 11-12 | Swamp Wars | Halifax NC (Raven's Cove) |
| 11-11 - 11-11 | Just A Tourney | Old Fort NC (Hawkwood) |
| 11-11 - 11-12 | Buckston's Buccaneer Birthday | Snow Camp NC (Buckston-on-Eno) |
| 11-18 - 11-18 | The Curly Cross Tavern | Hope Mills NC (Attilium) (K) |
| 11-26 | Baronial Business Meeting 6 pm Zoom – Link on HM FB Page | Hidden Mountain |
| 11-28 | Scribal at 7 PM— email for address | Umm Samin's home |

December 2023

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| 12-02 - 12-02 | Unevent 2023 | (Atlantia) (Q K) |
| 12-7 | Scribal at 7 PM— email for address | Umm Samin's home |
| 12-08 - 12-10 | Yule Toy Tournament | Pickens SC (Nottinghamhill Coill) (K) |
| 12-17 | In Person/Zoom at 2 pm ending at 7pm | Sir Heinrichs House |
| 12-21 | Scribal at 7 PM— email for address | Umm Samin's home |

Check with the [Baronial calendar](#) and the [Kingdom calendar](#) to see what has been added since the newsletter was published.

Wow !



Despite the rain on Friday it was a great event. I missed the rain, but I heard it was rather formidable. Some folks resorted to hiding out in the port-a-johns to evade the hailstones.

Although Baroness Isabella was looking a bit frail at times, she enjoyed herself immensely.



Wow!

Just a little sample of the A&S displays and contests



Wow!

There were many classes to indulge in, and the first display of Backlog scrolls to see.

Our Baroness was abducted and held for ransom, but she was quickly released when the conditions were met.



Regular Meetings



Barony of Hidden Mountain – In person meetings will be added soon, for the date and venue, contact the the seneschal seneschal@hiddenmountain.atlantia.sca.org



Misty Marsh by the Sea - for the date and venue contact the seneschal seneschal@tearsseashore.atlantia.sca.org



Moorhaven—for the date and venue, contact the seneschal cae-letnox@yahoo.com



Tear-Sea's Shore - Typically at 6 PM on the 3rd Sunday of the month. Contact the seneschal for confirmation and details seneschal@tearsseashore.atlantia.sca.org
Tuesday Night Bardics will now be held on **Mondays effective 4/17/2023.**



Dear Beda Venerabilis

Beda venerabilis



From Nuremberg Chronicle, 1493

Dear Beda, Is Thanksgiving, with its tradition of turkey and pumpkin pies really an original holiday that started in America? Or did it come to us from Europe like so many other holidays?

Turkey, cranberries, pumpkin, sweet potatoes, green-beans, and pecans are all American foods. But are these the foods of the first Thanksgiving? Probably not. There is only ONE firsthand account of the original Thanksgiving in 1621. It was one paragraph in a letter written by the Pilgrim, Edward Winslow. He wrote *"Our harvest being gotten in, our governor sent four men on fowling, that so we might after a special manner rejoice together, after we had gathered the fruits of our labors; they four in one day killed as much fowl, as with a little help beside, served the Company almost a week, at which time amongst other Recreations, we exercised our Arms, many of the Indians coming amongst us, and amongst the rest their greatest king Mas-*

sasoit, with some ninety men, whom for three days we entertained and feasted, and they went out and killed five Deer, which they brought to the Plantation and bestowed on our Governor, and upon the Captain and others. And although it be not always so plentiful, as it was at this time with us, yet by the goodness of God, we are so far from want, that we often wish you partakers of our plenty."

—Edward Winslow, December, 1621

<https://www.smithsonianmag.com/history/why-edward-winslow-plymouth-hero-thanksgiving-180961174/>



Jean Louis Gerome Ferris (American painter, 1863-1930).

Dear Beda Venerabilis—cont.

Dear Beda,

Winslow only mentions fowl and deer as foods, so where did we get our traditional foods from?

Did the first Americans simply mimicked or adapted the traditional fare, flavor combinations and rituals of Europe?

Yes, and No.

Usually, our dinner meal is eaten in the evening, but on Thanksgiving dinner is eaten in the afternoon, rather than in the evening.

Afternoon was the time that a proper dinner was served 400 years ago, and carving the meat at the table had become fashionable in the 17th century, when the first Thanksgiving occurred, so the time of the meal, and the tradition of having the turkey on a platter and carved at the table is straight out of Europe.

The art of carving meat was taught to boys and men at school. My English father had to learn those skills when he was boy in school in the early 1900's came straight from Europe. While turkey is an American bird, it has been introduced to Europe and was very popular there, so the main dish of turkey also came from Europe, by way of America years earlier.

What about cranberry sauce? In medieval Europe, sour fruit sauce with wild fowl was a popular combination, one that balanced a cold and moist condiment with a hot, dry meat. So cranberry sauce was a local adaptation of a **medieval** culinary practice.

Back then it wasn't a lavish meal without a lot of spices, cinnamon, nutmeg, clove and ginger being some of the most popular. Sound familiar?

"French beans" (from America) were already well-known and loved in 17th-century Europe. It was said that French beans "far exceed and are much better than other pulses eaten green." https://digital.lib.uiowa.edu/islandora/object/ui:jmrbr_1874



Pieter Claesz's Still Life with Turkey Pie (1627)

Dear Beda Venerabilis—cont.

Candied yams were also a 16th-century staple. **Shakespear** even mentions them in [The Merry Wives of Windsor](#). Famed English chef Robert May in the mid-17th-century cookbook *The Accomplisht Cook* has a great recipe for (sweet) potato pie. But how about pumpkin pie?

In the 17th century, it was already quite common. One of the earliest female cookbook authors, Hannah Woolley, has a recipe for “pompion-pye” with the same spices we use today.

So, it looks like our traditional Thanksgiving foods came from Europe, although the main ingredients had originated in America years earlier.

<https://modernfarmer.com/2021/11/medieval-origins-of-thanksgiving/>

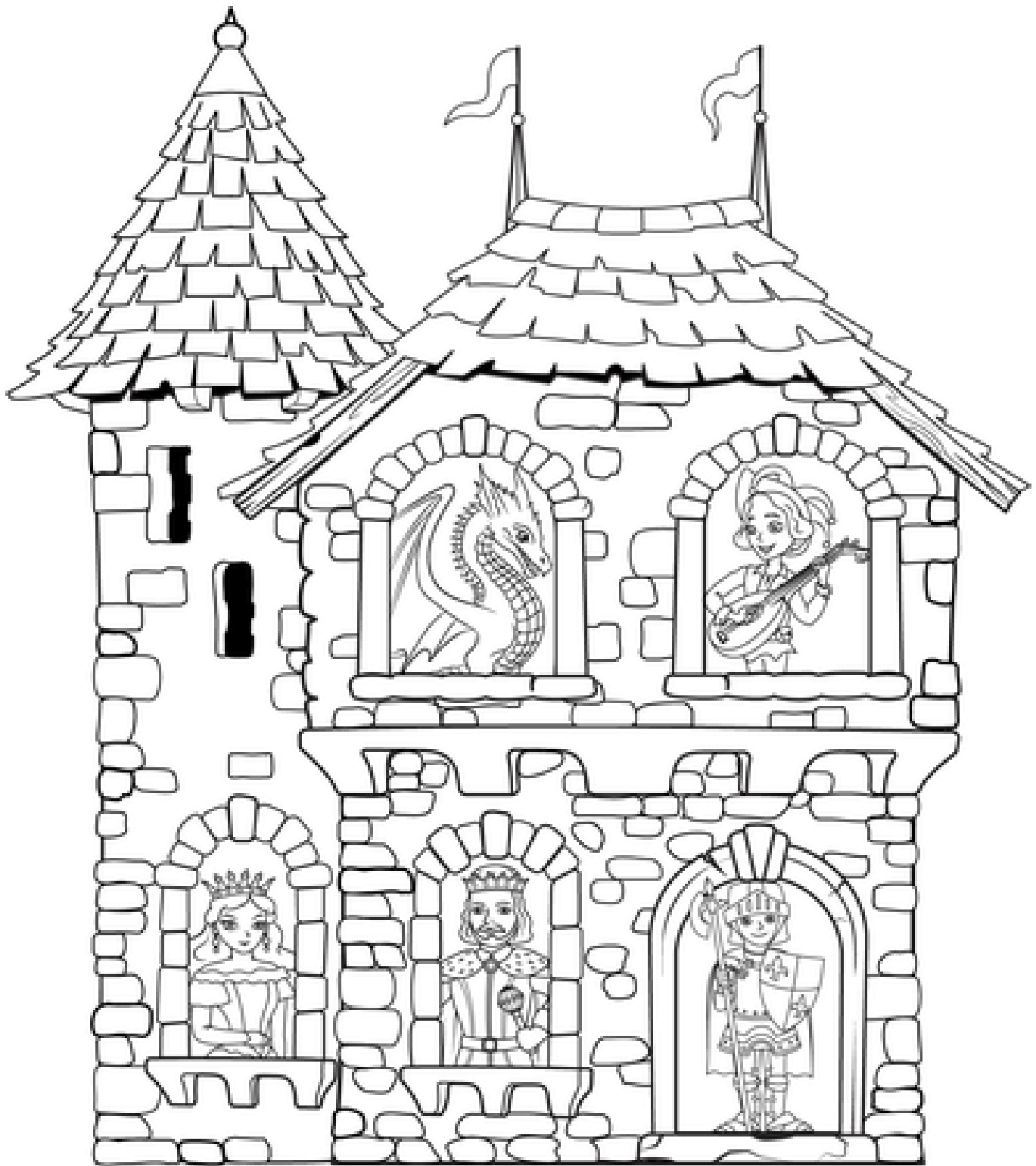
About the date. Why the third Thursday in November, when the original Thanksgiving was in mid-October, not November? Since George Washington’s time, Thursday has been the designated day, and this was solidified by Abraham Lincoln’s proclamation in 1863, designating the National Day of Thanksgiving to be the last Thursday of November. Later, that was amended to the *fourth* Thursday in November. <https://www.almanac.com/fact/why-is-thanksgiving-always-on-a-thursday>

So, there you have it. A very American Holiday with very American foods that were brought to Europe, recipes created there, and returned to America as our traditional foods.



Coloring Pages

These coloring pages are from: <https://www.supercoloring.com/coloring-pages/history/middle-ages>



Coloring Pages



Coloring Pages



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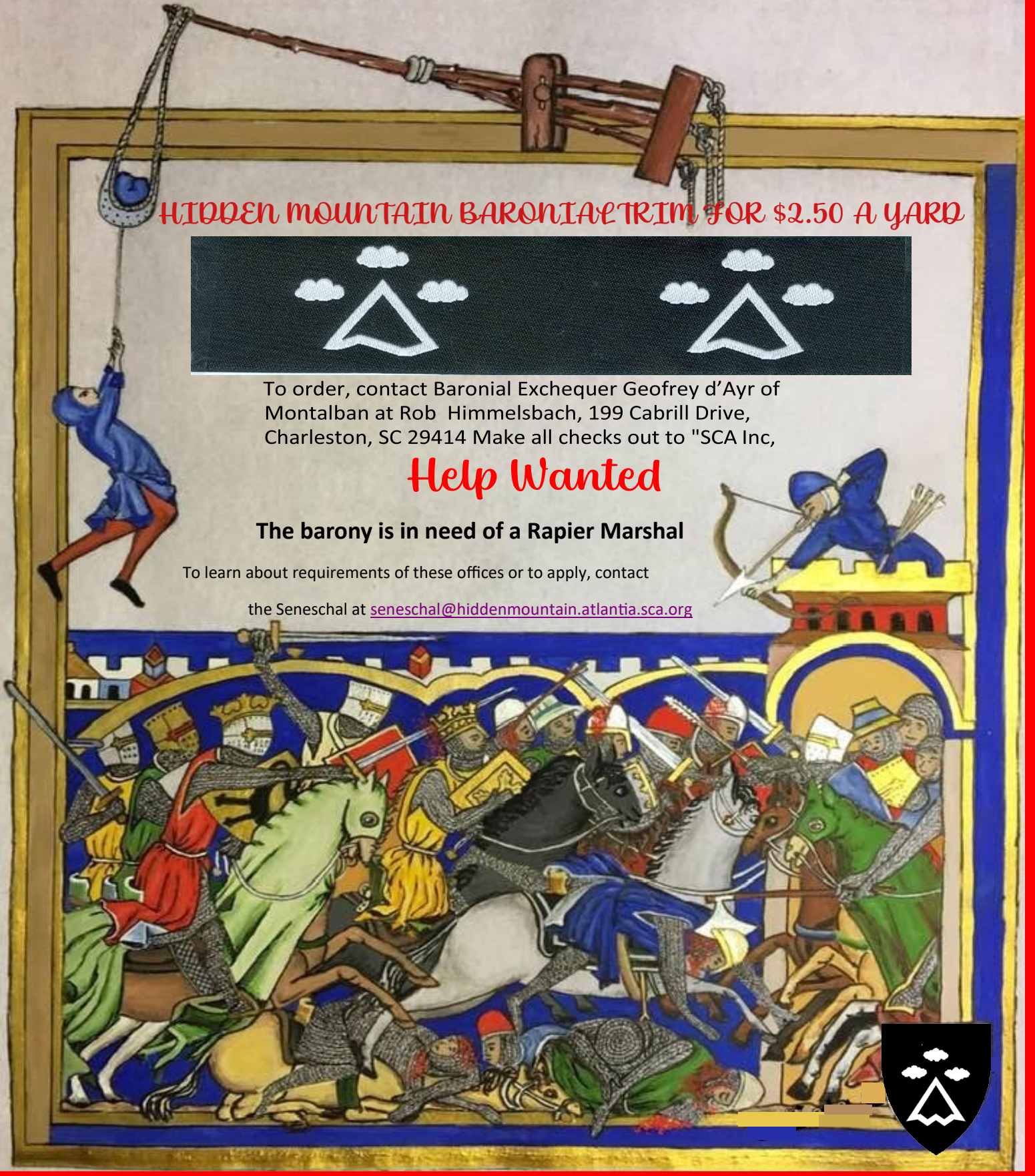
To order, contact Baronial Exchequer Geoffrey d'Ayr of Montalban at Rob Himmelsbach, 199 Cabrill Drive, Charleston, SC 29414 Make all checks out to "SCA Inc,

Help Wanted

The barony is in need of a Rapier Marshal

To learn about requirements of these offices or to apply, contact

the Seneschal at seneschal@hiddenmountain.atlantia.sca.org



Baron

Baroness

Hrothgar Ravensson







Isabella Arabella Daughter

Baronial Regum

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Moorthaven Regum



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A few Useful Links

Society for [Creative Anachronism](#)

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Society Newcomer Resources: <http://welcome.sca.org/>

Kingdom of Atlantia: Website: <http://atlantia.sca.org/>

Calendar: <http://atlantia.sca.org/events/atlantia-calendar-events>

Newcomer's Page: <http://chatelain.atlantia.sca.org/>

Kingdom Regnum: <http://atlantia.sca.org/ofces/ofcers/regnum>

Order of Precedence: <http://op.atlantia.sca.org>

Atlantian History: <http://history.atlantia.sca.org/>

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Canton of Misty Marsh by the Sea

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