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Feast of Fools

Ring in the New Year

On January 1, low and high officials changed places, most likely a Christian adaptation of the pagan festivities of the Saturnalia. Over time it developed into a mockery of Christian morality and worship.

In spite of repeated prohibitions and penalties imposed by the Council of Basel in 1431, the feasts did not die out entirely until the 16th century.

[Celebrating the New Year, Medieval](#)

Feast of fools by Pieter Bruegel The Elder



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From Their Excellencies

Baroness Isabella Arabella's Daughter



Baron Hrothgar Ravensson

Greetings to our most wonderful populous

Now that our holiday season has passed we are preparing for the upcoming seasons of tournaments universities and eventing.

We would love for you all to attend NCBV, our cousins will be stepping down and we will be welcoming new excellencies.

Our next Hidden Mountain event will be the tournament of Manannan Mac Lir. If anyone has any award recommendations we are accepting them from now up until the event.

We have at least one office that needs to be filled if you would like more information on that you may contact [myself](#) or his [Excellency Baron Hrothgar](#).

We hope everyone is doing well and is healthy and happy and we hope to see many of your smiling faces in the coming months. For our fighter folks out there make sure that you get your submissions in for whatever event you are going to, as well as field reservations, as they are filling up quickly.

Happy January! Vivatz Hidden Mountain!

Yours in service, Hrothgar and Isabella



From the Chronicler



Happy New Year



Checkout this month's book reviews, and think about what book you can write about next month to share with the rest of the Barony

*As the saying goes, it takes a village
to make a newsletter*

I want to again thank Mistress Jorunn nic Lochlainn for serving as my much needed editor and cheerleader as I get the Mountain Mayhem out.

Information on Submissions



**THE MAYHEM
WANTS YOU**



**Submission deadline is
the 25th of the month.**

Please remember that all submissions for publication in the Mayhem must be accompanied by one of the

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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 12/17/23

Officer Reports:


Seneschal: Will be stepping down after the first of the year. If anyone wishes to be considered for the position please put your name forward. There will be a posting on FB, the Website, and in the Mayhem. This is only a quick report to do some last minute voting.

Old Business:

- Vote on the Expenditure for Baronial Storage- Motion Passed
- New Financial Policy Member from Moorhaven needs to be added. Esme Bramley has been added.

Upcoming Events

January 2024

01-04	Scribal at 7 PM—email for address	Umm Samin's home
01-07	Baronial Business Meeting 6 pm Zoom – Link on HM FB Page	Hidden Mountain
01/09	Canton of Moorhaven Business meeting 7 PM	Panera in Carolina Forest
01-13 - 01-13	Atlantian 12th Night	Yadkinville NC (Atlantia) (Q K Pr P) 
01-18	Scribal at 7 PM—email for address	Umm Samin's home
01-19 - 01-21	Nottingham Coill Baronial Birthday & Investiture	Bennettsville SC (Nottingham Coill) (Q K Pr P)
01/23	Canton of Moorhaven Business meeting 7 PM	Cici's Pizza in Sacastee
01-26 - 01-27	Ravens Cove Baronial Birthday and Investiture	Richlands NC (Raven's Cove) (K)
01-27 - 01-27	Holiday Court of Volodymyr the Great	Lothian MD (Lochmere)
01-27 - 01-27	Tourney of Manannan Mac Lir	Harleyville SC (Tear-Sea's Shore) (Pr P)

February 2024

02/01	Scribal at 7 PM—email for address	Umm Samin's home
02-03 - 02-04 :	Winter University- Session #115	Madison Heights VA (Atlantia)
02-10 - 02-10	Sir Walter Raleigh Costume Ball II	Durham NC (Buckston-on-Eno)
02/13	Canton of Moorhaven Business meeting 7 PM	Panera in Carolina Forest
02/15	Scribal at 7 PM—email for address	Alternative location TBA
02-17	Baronial Business Meeting 6 pm Zoom – Link on HM FB Page	Hidden Mountain
02-17 - 02-17	Competitions & Displays Workshop	Spartanburg, SC (Nottingham Coill)
02-23 - 02-25	Ymir 49	Ellerbe NC (Windmasters' Hill) (Q K Pr P)
02/27	Canton of Moorhaven Business meeting 7 PM	Cici's Pizza in Sacastee
02/29	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.

Regular Baronial and Canton Meetings



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



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



Moorhaven—Meetings are in person, alternating Tuesdays, check [Facebook](#) or the seneschal for more information seneschal@Moorhaven.atlantia.sca.org



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



Yule Toy Tournament 2023



Everyones Favorite Event

Over 1000 toys collected—with much fun by all



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Important Notices

HIDDEN MOUNTAIN BARONIAL TRIM FOR

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at Rob Himmelsbach, 199 Cabrill Drive, Charleston, SC 29414
Make all checks out to "SCA Inc, Barony of Hidden Mountain"

Help Wanted

The barony is in need of an officer

Rapier Marshal

To learn about requirements of these offices or to apply, contact
the Seneschal at seneschal@hiddenmountain.atlantia.sca.org

Book Review—Ivanhoe

By Umm Samin bint Asad al-Isfahaniyya



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Walter Scott was born in 1771 in Edinburgh, Scotland. His 1819's novel, *Ivanhoe*, was set in England at the end of the twelfth century. It tells the story of Ivanhoe, a knight who was involved with King Richard I, "Richard the Lion-Hearted" as he return to England from the crusades. The two main characters are Norman King Richard and Saxon Wilfred of Ivanhoe, a young knight who served King Richard on Crusade.

The back story: While King Richard was absent, England fell into a dismal state at the hands of his brother, Prince John -- the greedy ruler featured in Robin Hood stories. During this time the Saxons, who ruled England until the Battle of Hastings in 1066, and the Normans, who conquered the Saxons, were in constant conflict as the Norman nobles gobbled up Saxon lands. During this time King Richard made enemies of both Austria and Germany when he did not acknowledge Henry VI, Emperor of Germany, as the ruler of Sicily when he signed the Treaty of Messina.

As Richard was returning to England from his crusade, in 1192, he was captured in Vienna by Leopold V, the Duke of Austria and sold to Germany. The Germans demanded a large ransom for the king, however corrupt John was not inclined to pay. It took two years for Richard's allies in England to raise the money for his release. Richard returned to England in secret, hiding his identity as he waited for his allies to raise a force to protect him from Prince John and his allies. *Ivanhoe* takes place just after Richard's landing in England.

Ivanhoe joined the crusade after he had been disinherited by his father, Cedric, an old-blood Saxon nobleman who despises the Normans. Cedric has a beautiful ward, the Lady Rowena, who is descended from King Harold. He plans to wed her to his friend Athelstane, a descent of a past Saxon King, and found a new dynasty to throw off the Norman oppressors. Ivanhoe and Rowena, however, are in love. Cedric disinherits Ivanhoe for hindering his plans for Rowena and for following King Richard, a Norman, into battle.

The story portrays the many social conflicts of the time. Norman vs Saxon, slaves vs church- (which is often portrayed as evil). Christians vs jews. Father vs son. Ivanhoe experienced great internal struggles as well. He came to believe that simply being loyal to your principals isn't necessarily a good thing. If you follow a moral code that is unjust, you become unjust, no matter how unwavering your principles are.

The most important aspect of the novel is, in my opinion, that it is a rip roaring, well told story that is as engaging today as it was when first written in 1819. Even Robin Hood and Friar make an appearance. The adventures pile one on top of another. It's great fun, especially with the witticisms of Cedric's jester.



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Baronial Regum

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Moorhaven Meeting Report

Moorhaven Regum

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Moorhaven Business Report 12/07

By Katherine of the Doves

8 members attended

Discussed information shared at Unevent

Agreed to go back to two meetings a month on the second and Fourth Tuesday of the month.

Had a newcomer attend the meeting, looking forward to attending more meetings.

Tear-Sea's Shore Regum



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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/>

Barony of Hidden Mountain Website: <http://hiddenmountain.atlantia.sca.org/>

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Canton of Tear-Sea's Shore

Website: <http://tearseasshore.atlantia.sca.org/>

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Canton of Moorhaven

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