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Words from Their Excellencies

Greetings unto the beloved people of L'Ile du Dragon Dormant,

As the cold embrace of winter draws near, we would take this opportunity to reflect upon an extraordinary year. Both of us were humbled to kneel before Royalty as we were elevated to our respective peerages. To say that we were both awed and proud of each other does not come close to the emotions felt. Through it all, the people of Dragon Dormant kept secrets and worked so very hard preparing things for each of us. Never have we been more proud of our people, nor more grateful for the friendship that is continuously extended to us. Gratitude will never be enough. Please know that each of you are held dear in our hearts and we are so proud of all you have accomplished.

Much greater than any peerage, we also were happily graced with the arrival of our perfect little heir. Thank you all so much for your assistance at events. While our role as parents now comes first and foremost, we continue to take great pride in being your Baron and Baroness. Your assistance and love allow us to continue with another of our great joys. We look forward to the coming year as we continue to serve the Barony as best we can.

Enjoy your Holidays

In Service,

Angus and Tadea

Baron and Baroness of l'Ile du Dragon Dormant

Words from the Outgoing Seneschal

My dear friends,

It was a good two years. We had a chance to truthfully examine our path and we are better for it. I am proud of you and grateful for the support of everyone during that time while we decided how to recreate ourselves.

In re-positioning our barony we found some new friends with great ideas and energy, and we've set ourselves up for some significant fun in the future. Our practices are stronger than ever now. We are getting 15 people to heavy/fencing and A&S night, and Archery barely has room to fit everyone. You are all finding your cool, and this pleases me greatly. In all, we have about 50 people attending practices. That is outstanding, and the sign of a passionate and wonderful group of people.

Today the choices are different, and I know that Acilaldai will help you all continue to find your cool and your fun. I'm very positive about the team around her on Curia, and I feel that they will make a wonderful group to go ahead with.

In the spirit of fun, I'd ask that you do what you can to make the Barony a better place to be. Get a little group together to start a project and finish it. It is important that everyone plays their part.

Yours in Service to the East,

Don John Radburne

Words from the Incoming Seneschal

A good day to all and well met,

Many thanks to Don John Radburne for his productive work as Seneschal over the last two years. His encouragement to coordinate our efforts has allowed us to make progress as a unit. We are now better organized than before and moving ourselves into position to take advantage of the growth that we are starting to see as a group.

Of course as our Barony grows so too does the need for leadership and delegation. A few people are stepping up to help with different tasks and this is fantastic, but more hands are always appreciated.

Take a look around.

If you enjoy participating in an SCA activity then there is something that you can do to help keep that activity fun for everyone.

You can help out with equipment maintenance, become a marshal, deputy or an officer. There is a wide variety of activities available. The folks in charge of each activity and function could always use helpers to more easily accomplish the tasks that allow us to do what we love in the SCA. So please jump in and lend a hand where you can.

My name in the society is Borujin Acilaldai and I am your new Seneschal. I look forward to working with you all to continue making this barony a great place to be!

~Lady Borujin Acilaldai
aka "Adi"

If you have any SCA-related questions, ideas or simply want to help out and don't know where, feel free to contact me at: Alisha.Isaacs@gmail.com

A brief description of my first SCA event

It was an idea that had its beginnings when I first joined the merry company of the Barony of L'Ile du Dragon Dormant. At first, my sole concern was getting involved with archery. For the first few weeks, I rather enjoyed myself, shooting arrows and talking with new found friends. However, the further into the rabbit hole I went, the more interested I became with creating a persona and going to an event. I chose an event that was very close to me (in Montreal as the matter would have it). I did a lot of research on which era I wanted to represent and which one was also the easiest to pull off in a short amount of time. After finding a relatively easy persona (11th century Norman), I went shopping around for garb. I found that, with a little bit of patience and perseverance, you can find many a good item at goodwill stores. Another fun part of the experience was to make my own leather pouch. It was a sense of accomplishment to do all of these things to prepare myself to travel back into time.

On the day of the event, I was somewhat nervous. I was concerned that I would not fit in with the others who had attended these events before. I brought my youngest daughter with me. She was more excited than I was. All of my fears were abated at once when I saw a friendly face and was well greeted. After the initial butterflies, I was comfortable to mingle with all the good folk from our Barony and the neighboring ones as well. One of the day's highlights was the heavy Combat going on close by. The sounds were loud and glorious (makes me want to join in). My daughter enjoyed the Rat hunting activities, as well as playing with the other children who were present.

In closing, I would like to say that everyone was very kind and respectful. I find this very refreshing in a world ruled by the internet.

As a side note, I wish to give a special thank you to the Baroness Mistress Tadea Isabetta di Bruno. She took the time to greet me and was a very kind and good soul to me and my daughter. The gift of the IDD first timers' tokens was a small gift, but it meant a lot to me and my daughter.

Well, thank you for the time and opportunity to share my experience with you, and yes, I will be attending future events. I cannot wait for some archery events as well.

Regards,

Tiberius Sergius Valens
aka Aragorn Johnson

On becoming a paid member of the SCA

Over the course of the last few years, I have heard of many reasons not to become an SCA member and some are more valid than others. Instead of hashing over those, let me tell you what being a member does do.

1. By being a paid member of the Society for Creative Anachronism, you help us keep the status to use SCA insurance to rent the sites we play in locally. Without being an insured group in the SCA, we would be paying a great deal more individually to rent facilities in which to play. For most of us, paying that much would make activities that we have come to love too expensive to continue.
2. Members of the SCA receive a discount because they are already insured via their memberships. Non-members pay a proportionately higher amount for events because they are paying for the regular fees to rent the site AND to be included by the insurance.
FYI: That surcharge goes directly to SCA corporate, not into the baronial bank account.
3. Most importantly, being a member gives you the opportunity to become a marshal or an officer. There's little worse than to show up for a practice and be unable to hold it because there are no marshals available that evening. I myself am a marshal or marshal in training for every marshal activity in which I participate. The more people who become marshals, the less time we each need to spend marshaling individually. Get my drift? The same goes for being an officer. The more people who are available for a position, the less time one person needs to spend as an officer. This means that fewer people get overtired and everyone will be happier with their SCA experience.

It's 56 USD a year folks, making it about 4.66 USD per month to support the non-profit group that makes access to so many fun activities possible.

I think it's worth it.

In the end, it's up to you.

For more information: <https://membership.sca.org>

~Lady Borujin Acilaldai

Upcoming Events / Événements à venir

November / Novembre 2013

Saturday 23rd - East Kingdom Service University
Barony of Stonemarche - Concord, NH

Saturday 30th - Herne the Hunter RP
Barony of Ruantallan - Lake Echo, NS

December / Décembre 2013

Saturday 7th - La Feste des Glaces
Barony of Havre des Glaces - Quebec, QC

Saturday 7th - Stonemarche Yule
Barony of Stonemarche - Concord, NH

Saturday 14th - 6th Annual Yule Feast
Shire of Coill Tuar - Highland, NY

Saturday 21st - Quintavia Yule
Shire of Quintavia - Bolton, MA

January / Janvier 2014

Saturday 4th - EK 12th Night
Shire of Anglespur - Troy, NY

Saturday 18th - Southern Region Scriptorium and Heraldic Symposium
Barony of Settmour Swamp - Morristown, NJ

Friday 24th to Saturday 25th - A Market Day at Birka
Barony of Stonemarche - Manchester, NH

Local Martial Practices / Pratiques martiales locales

Practices take place weekly and everyone is welcome! There is a single \$5 weekly admission fee, whether you attend one or more practices. There is no admission fee charged for outdoor practices.

Loaner gear is available on a first-come, first-serve basis. If you intend on using archery loaner gear, please note that there is an additional fee of \$1. A jockstrap is required for heavy & rapier combat. Please contact the officer in charge for more details.

Nos pratiques ont lieu à toutes les semaines et tous sont les bienvenus! Le droit d'admission est de 5\$ par semaine peu importe le nombre de pratiques auxquelles vous assistez. Il n'y a aucuns frais pour les pratiques extérieures.

De l'équipement est disponible selon le principe du premier arrivé, premier servi. Veuillez noter que des frais supplémentaires de 1\$ s'appliquent si vous emprunter de l'équipement de tir à l'arc. Vous devez avoir un support athlétique (jockstrap) pour participer aux pratiques d'escrime et de combat lourd. Veuillez communiquer avec l'officier en charge pour plus de détails.



Fencing / Escrime : Mondays 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm / Lundi 19h30 à 21h30

Summer: Girouard Park (corner Girouard and Sherbrooke West)

Winter and rainy weather: Centre Greene, 1090 Avenue Greene, Westmount

Été : Parc Girouard (coin Girouard et Sherbrooke Ouest)

Hiver ou par temps pluvieux : Centre Greene, 1090, avenue Greene, Westmount



Archery / Tir à l'arc : Tuesdays 7:30 pm to 10 pm / Mardi 19h30 à 22h

Wesley United Church (basement / sous-sol) 5964 Notre-Dame-de-Grâce Blvd., Montreal



Fighting / Combat en armure : Mondays 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm / Lundi 19h30 à 21h30

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Please note that outdoor practices are not official, and are not endorsed by the SCA. / Veuillez noter que les pratiques à l'extérieur ne sont pas des pratiques officielles et que la SCA n'en assume pas la responsabilité.

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