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Adoration of the Magi; from *Legenda* Sanctorum Trium Regum, Modena 1490Adoration of the Magi; from *Leg*enda Sanctorum Trium Regum, Modena 1490

July Business Meeting Minutes

In attendance were Theron, Ro, Kaolin, Isolda, Gormr, Minna, Molly, Hank, Lynette, Mike, Serena, Mathias, Adrianna, Mathew There will be no meeting in

August due to Pennsic being at that time.

A very informal pole was taken by Hank simply to gauge the interest in forming a Principality in Northern Atlantia. 9 of 14 present would like to see what the interest would lead to. The remaining either have no opinion or have don't want to see it happen. Discussion also turned to issues with the Kingdom event bids. Central area events/rotating area events, who gets accepted/declined and why/how. A website has been made for those who are interested in discussing the possibility.

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A Pennsic Planning Meeting is planned for Sunday 7/6 at 6pm at Kiri's. It will be helpful if minutes could be kept. We (Khadir) presented to the Celtic Festival Board our idea to cook their medieval feast (they were ecstatic). They have hired us to cater their feast. Hank computed \$10/head The feast will be at St. John's Parrish on a weekend in September or October, not a week night. Our responsibility is to set up and serve in garb. They will bring their feast gear.

The Celtic Festival will be in April of next year at James Patterson Park. In the past we had been treated shabbily by the former living history coordinator —they were not surprised, but disappointed. They realize that we are one of their top customers and want to work with us. We will be able to have a tent in the heart of the action with potential to do an active demo, culture appropriate. We need to submit a business proposal to them as to what we can offer them. and what we want from them. Celtic cultures includes Scots, Irish, Welsh (and sometimes Vikings). Minna proposed setting up a committee that will be made up of Khadir, Gormr, Adrianna, Molly, and Minna. Deadline for Crown has passed. Camp Brown was lack on responding, so we were unable to put in a bid. Birthday will go on. The Financial committee voted



Dun Carraig's Arms

to go forward if the site goes for less than \$299. It will be scheduled for November 8. Middle Eastern Event is getting bigger and bigger, and after our experience with the last site, and because we were at our maximum capacity we're looking for a new site for ME. Some possible new sites are the Hollywood VFD where we held 12th night. Another site could be Grace Brethren Church (if approved by an experienced autocrat)

Relay: We raised \$1800 for the American Cancer Society. With the Rapier going Schlager by default, it'd be nice for the Barony to have a Schlager (about \$150). This was brought up a while ago, and since then our rapier community has grown. We should give this serious thought and look into it.

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Letter from Their Excellencies





nto the most noble and fierce populace of Dun Carraig do your Dread Baron and Baroness send greetings. We marvel at the fire and energy of Our people as they prepare for the long journey North. The helms are shining, the arrows have been sharpened and last seams are being stitched shut. Dun Carriag is once again ready to answer the call of Our King, bringing our talents and power to join with that of Our Atlantian cousins. We will show the glory that is Dun Carraig not only on the rapier field, the battlefield, archery range and Artisan's

Row, but also in Our hearth and home. Word of the legendary hospitality to be found in the land of Seadogs has spread, and many more seek the warmth of our fire and company. Please make sure to make Our newest campers feel welcome and to offer hospitality to all who enter Our camp. At a minimum, We would ask that any who enter the lands of Dun Carraig are greeted with offers of a seat and a cool drink. Treat each other kindly and think only the best of each other. Keep the camp clean and make many offers of assistance to those running it. We look forward with pride in seeing Our valiant Seadogs prove once again that Dun Carraig is the best little Barony in the Knowne World.

Once we return (victorious) from Pennsic, Our Seneschal will ask for a polling of confidence. You will be asked to evaluate Our performance as your Baron and Baroness and to decide whether you wish Us to continue to serve in this capacity. It is Our deepest wish that this poll be completed with the best interest of Dun Carraig in mind, and that results be returned promptly.

Baronial Birthday in November promises much discord and strife (all of those good family values), smile. Lord Cathal is laying plans for Our most riotous event ever! Please know that the feast is limited, so get your reservations in early to enjoy Mistress Rose's renowned culinary skills. If you can assist in plotting...errr... planning activities for Birthday, please let Lord Cathal know.

In service to Our Barony and its people,

Erwin and Mary Isabel

Seneschal's Report

(Minna) Since I'm gonna be new seneschal, I've recruited a new chiurgen (Sam). Many classes were had at Runestone Collegium. Will do a vision statement saying where I want to take the Barony in the next few years.

Chronicler's Report

My computer died and was miraculously resurrected. I'm a little late getting the last newsletter done, but I intend to have it done by the end of this week.

Also, since there was no meeting in August because of Pennsic, the August and September issues are being combined.



Fishermen and a seahorse; from Medieval Life Illustrations

Herald's Report

Nothing to Report.

Quartermaster's Report

Nothing to Report.

Woodcut art used in this issue is courtesy of Medieval Woodcuts Clipart Collection (http:// www.godecookery.co m/clipart/clart.htm).

The Initial in Their Excelencies' Letter is from the German Bible, Augsburg (G. Zainer), about 1475-76

Chatelaine's Report

Nothing to Report.

Webminister's Report

Nothing to Report.

Knight Marshal's Report

No report at this time.

The Business Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month at 7PM at the Southern Maryland Higher Education Center at 44219 Airport Road, California, MD 20619. For directions go to www.smhec.org.

Minister of the Lists' Report

Because it was discussed at the last couple practices and I wasn't sure of the answer myself, I looked up the rules for what a minor (16 or 17) has to do to fight as an adult. They are here, linked from the MOL page:

http://mol.atlantia.sca.org/Forms/MinorAuthorizationProcedures61604.pdf

To practice as an adult, the 16- or 17-year old has to sign a general minor waiver and have a parent present. (If the parent isn't present, they can designate another responsible adult and do the "Minor Medical Waiver" paperwork. That does have to be notarized.) If the minor wants to authorize while still a minor, there's an additional piece of paperwork:

http://mol.atlantia.sca.org/Forms/MinorAuthorizationForm61704.pdf

It has dates for the parents to initial and verify that they've witnessed a practice, and for the minor to sign verifying that he/she read the rules of the list. As another note, someone who wants to authorize as a minor has to be supervised by the Earl Marshal, or a deputy that he has designated at their authorization, and all the paperwork has to be reviewed by the Earl Marshal the day the person authorizes.

For a seventeen-year-old who will be a legal adult by the time they're ready to authorize, but wants to start practicing now, the requirement to practice boils down to: "Bring a parent. Have them sign a General Minor Waiver."

Minister of Arts and Sciences' Report

Nothing to report.

Three images of deer; details of a page from *Sarum Horae*, Paris (Pigouchet for Jean Richard) 1494.



Did you find a mistake? Did I misquote someone? Please (kindly) let me know. Email me at Chronicler@duncarrai g.net and I'll correct it in the next newsletter.

Exchequer Report

Stop payment was issued on the check Lore (Laurie) lost. A replacement check has been issued to her.

Mathias (Jim) did not use the balance available of \$46.41 for loaner gear and kitchen supplies in the time necessary. It has now been moved back into the general funds and will need to be re-voted on if necessary.

Theron (Tom) did not use the balance approved of \$20 for the baronial tent repair in the time necessary. It has now been moved back into the general funds and will need to be re-voted on if necessary.

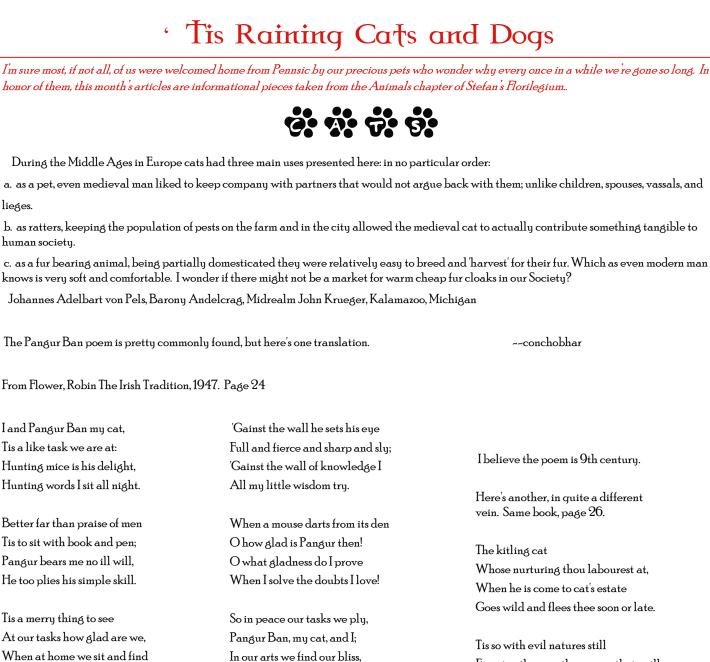
Checks have been issued for ADITME refunds. A check has been issued to Mathilde (Charlotte) for reimbursement of ADITME prizes. A check has been issued to Jonathas (James) for reimbursement of archery target and loaner archery supplies.

I need to speak with Adriana (Kelly) in regards to check #464 written on 4/25/08 to Kingdom of Atlantia for MOL fees. It hasn't cleared the bank yet. Did she send it to them?? If so, does she remember when she sent it??

I need \$70 from Mathias (Jim) for stopping payment on 2 checks he lost (#432 and #434). Stop payment will be issued on those 2 checks and then replacements issued to Mathias (Jim).

Financial Committee approved \$29.56 for Serena (Bobbi) for reimbursement for Exchequer supplies. Check written.

We have \$3,587.31 in our account. Nothing is currently budgeted for anything specific.



When at home we sit and find Entertainment to our mind. Oftentimes a mouse will stray

In the hero Pangur's way; Oftentimes my keen thought set Takes a meaning in its net.

Practice every day has made Pangur perfect in his trade; I get wisdom day and night Turning darkness into light.

I have mine and he has his.

For, give them, as they grow, their will As, when to man's estate they're come, They'll fly their father and their home.

There's a following tale of a cat's pilgrimage from the Book of Leinster. To paraphrase: A cat accompanies 3 students on pilgrimage, who eventually decide to get into a boat without oars and go where God wants them. They land on an island, and the cat feeds them by fishing out salmon. They eventually decide that God should be their provider, not the cat, and refuse to eat the salmon. So the cat eats three fish a day, becomes huge and swells to the proportions of a monster, until Saint Brendan kills him.

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b. as ratters, keeping the population of pests on the farm and in the city allowed the medieval cat to actually contribute something tangible to human society.

knows is very soft and comfortable. I wonder if there might not be a market for warm cheap fur cloaks in our Society?



Do we have any evidence of folks feeding dogs from the table in period this way? Perhaps in an illumination or a written report of a feast?

There are several illunminations showing dogs running around the feast hall. They appeared to be greyhound type animals in build and appearance.

There's also an illus. in the Duc de Berry's book of Hours (January) showing little runty dogs *on the table * licking out the plates. There's a greyhound on the floor.

A number of illuminations have pictures of small dogs running around the top of the table. Look at the table in the January calendar page of the Tres Riches Heures. There's also a servant who appears to be feeding a small greyhound on the floor. Food in History, Tannahill, has a 15th C. woodcut from Ferrara showing all sorts of bones and stuff on the floor surrounding the table of diners. Several types of dogs are gnawing on them. p. 232.

Speaking of greyhounds, what other dogs would be typical in a Medieval household? I had someone tell me about bull mastiffs as war dogs...

These are the only ones in the one book that have dates that are in the SCA's time frame, or mention specific times which I think are within the SCA's time. I could be wrong on some of the "dates". This is from my book: "How to Choose & Care for Your Dog" by Joan Palmer, copyright 1982.

Italian Greyhounds, Bichon Frise, Papillon, Lowchen, English Toy Spaniel, Cavalier English Toy Spaniel, Japanese Spaniel (AKA: Japanese Chin), Miniature Dachshund, Pug, Cairn Terrier, Irish Terrier, Standard Dachshund, Skye Terrier, Basenji, Scottish Terrier, West Highland White Terrier, Cocker Spaniel (English), Beagles, Pembroke Welsh Corgi, Cardigan Welsh Corgi, Welsh Springer Spaniel, Field Spaniel, Shar-Pei, Bulldog, Puli, Finnish Spitz, Whippet, Standard Schnauzer, Catahoula Leopard Dog, English Shepherd, Swiss Hunting Dogs, Keeshond (Was know preceding the French Revolution), Samoyed, Standard Poodle, English Springer Spaniel, Clumber Spaniel, Elkhound, English Foxhound (Crossed between the Talbot & St. Hubert Hounds which are extinct and came from the Norman Invaders to England), American Foxhound, Harrier, Plott Hound, English Setter, Gordon Setter!, German Shepherd, Boxer, Hovawart, Chow Chow, Otterhound, Rottweiler, Rhodesian Ridgeback, Briard, Vizsla, Kuvasz, Bernese Mountain Dog, Polish Sheepdog, Old English Sheepdog, Estrela Mountain Dog, Anatolian Karabash, Tibetan Mastiff, Borzoi, Bloodhound (was brought to England by William the Coqueror in 1066), Irish Wolfhound, Scottish Deerhound, Great Pyrenees Mountain Dog, Maremma Sheepdog, Komondor, Mastiff (NOT Bull Mastiff), Great Dane, and the St. Bernard.

Puli's and the Komondor are period for Hungary, having been brought in by the Magyars. A later period Hungarian dog breed is the Kuvasz who is first mentioned in documents about the Hungarian King Mattyas Hollos (mid-1400's). Mattyas is said to have stated that he trusted his Kuzasz more than any person.

Schipperke's are period... (although it looks different from the breed now). They are little dogs from Belgium.

I am also under the assumption that you would have specific types of dogs for specific types of hunting

Yes -- sight hounds vs. scent hounds vs. retrievers etc. Some breeds of dogs were bred to chase something they could see ("sight hounds") vs. others who were meant to smell out game ("scent hounds") vs. still others who were meant to bring back game that had been brought down ("retrievers") by either arrow or falcon/hawk.

...they would hunt with Borzoi in a brace or a trio. The dogs would work together to chase down and pull down the prey and hold it until the hunter arrived with a net to throw over the whole group. The hunted animal would then be either killed, captured for use in training other hounds, or released. A woman on the list who still hunts with her borzoi says that they are still very effective at pulling down even large animals (elk and caribou in her case).

Another thing to think about is that the larger "hunting" dogs such as mastiff-type animals were still around and had been around since Roman times.:) Or possibly earlier.:)

Much earlier ... the Romans brought mastiff breeds from Greece ... they came to Greece from the middle east and some breeds can be tracked back to Tibet and their genesis a wolf-dog hybrids. how many realize that the Rottweiler (a personal favorite breed ... presently have a Rott/wolf male) was originally a roman war-dog??? the proto lines were brought into Germany by Rome and left there (the Germans and Celts were always fond of large hounds ...). in time their use was modified into herding and carting dogs

I also seem to remember that when the Romans first hit the British Isles, they took note at the large mastiff-type dogs bred there, as well as the little "terrier"-type dogs.) Apparently they were stunned that anyone would breed a little dog that would chase its prey until it went to ground and then go right in after it.

Of course, then there's the "Neolithic" terrier found in a burial in Orkney, but I just won't go into that.

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Baronial Progress	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Storvik Novice Tourney, July 12, Ba Pennsic War XXXVII, July 25- Aug.10, BnB	3	p€ ₄	n n 5	S 1	C XX	1 XXVI 8	2 I 9
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Ba—Baroness Use other Acorn Progress Abbreviations. The Baronial Calendar displays events	10	11	12	13 Armor and Rapier Fighter Practice	14	15	16 Post Pennsic Des- sert Revel, Storvik
at nearby locations. It is not indicative of all Atlantian events. For all scheduled events go to www.atlantia.sca.org.	17	18	19	20 Armor and Rapier Fighter Practice	21	22	23 Flight of the Falcon III, Aire Fau- con
Congratulations to Geoffrey Bourette on his induction into the Order of the Laurel, on July 12th, along with Caemfind ingen Chobthaig at Storvik's Novice Tourney, by His Majesty, Sinclair Hawkins.	24	25	26	27 Armor and Rapier Fighter Practice	28	29	30 Sacred Stone Baro- nial B-Day, Sacred Stone
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Sun	Mon	Tue	WED	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Business Meeting, 7:30, South- ern Mary- land Higher Education	3 Armor and Rapier Fighter Practice	4	5	6
7	8	9	10 Armor and Rapier Fighter Practice	11	12 Ponte Alto	13 Chalice of the Sun Goo V: Perseph- one's Story, Sep. 12-14, Ponte Alto
14 Ponte Alto	15	16	17 Armor and Rapier Fighter Practice	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 Armor and Rapier Fighter Practice	25	26 Lochmere	27 Loch- mere 20th Anniversary and Baronial Investiture, Sep. 26–28, Lochmere
28 Lochmere	29	30				



Salome with the head of John the Baptist; detail of a page from *Horae*, Paris (Pigouchet for Vostre) 1496/97

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