

July 2020

The Ermine Spot



Greetings unto the Populace of Granite Mountain,

We hope this missive finds the populace doing well. Celebrate everyone as we are one step closer to having our Baron and Baroness. This month we will hold our polling via Zoom and in September Investiture/Champions. This will be a one-day event for Investiture and most of the Champions tourneys and another day for archery and thrown weapons due to recent uncertainties in scheduling larger events. There is always the possibility that Investiture will have to be held via Zoom and that is the backup plan.

At the current time we hope everyone is enjoying access to many classes being held on-line across Kingdoms. What a great opportunity expand our artistic and combat skill horizons.

As of this writing, plans for the Coronation of Their Highnesses in August have been postponed. Please keep watching our Baronial Facebook page and the Kingdom Facebook page for updates.

In service to our most glorious Kingdom and the Seventh Wonder of Atenveldt, the Barony of Granite Mountain.

Conor and Caroline Vicar and Vicaress













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The Chronicler values your comments! If you have any suggestions for improving the layout of *The Ermine Spot* or any of the contents, please don't hesitate to contact the Chronicler at bgmchronicler@gmail.com. Your ideas and opinions will help to make a better newsletter!

Letter from the Editor

Greetings and Salutations Populace!

I hope this newsletter finds you and your family well.

I attended the Meet & Greet and it was very informative. The couples were asked numerous questions, and in turn required a lot of thought. For those who missed the event, there is a video of the meet and greet on the event announcement which is on the Barony of Granite Mountain page.

Please remember our Polling event starts on July 19th at midnight and ends July 25th at noon. Polling information is within this newletter.

Remember Granite Mountain......

ROCKS!



Baronial Announcement - July 2020 Polling Information

Greetings to the Populace of Granite Mountain!

As you are aware, Covid-19 has brought some changes to our Kingdom regarding the holding of events. At this time Baronial Polling is due to occur on July 25, 2020. However the Crown and Heirs, for the safety of the Kingdom, have requested that in-person events not be held until on/before August 1st, 2020. As such, a back up plan has been approved by the Society, for the polling procedure. Below are the guidelines we will follow to allow for the polling; We will be keeping everyone up to date on whether or not there are any changes to this process for any reason. Thank you all for your flexibility and understanding. If you have any questions, please contact Mistress Rowan at Seneschal@atenveldt.org.

Online Polling Guidelines:

- 1. Please title the subject of your emal "BGM POLLING".
- 2. Emails are to be sent to Seneschal@atenveldt.org.
- 3. Emails for polling will be accepted midnight July 19, 2020— July 25, 2020 at NOON. This is a FIRM DEALINE.
- 4. Your vote must state the full name of the couple you are supporting OR you may state NO CONFIDENCE, should you oppose both couples entirely.
 - Couple 1: Count Brian Winterbourne, the Pious & Countess Lia Winterbourne, le Citolur
 - Couple 2: Lord Rustand Drache & Lady Beth Drache
- 5. You must be a minimum of 18yrs of age to poll.
- You must be a registered member of the SCA.
- You must provide a picture of your government issued ID AND your membership card to poll.
- You must provide a picture of your proof of residence in your email....pic of your mail will suffice.
- 9. If you do not live in the approved Zip Codes for the Barony, you must sign a pledge agreeing to not poll in any other Barony for the next three years. This will be sent to you via email and required to be returned NO LATER THAN July 25, 2020 for your polling to count. If you require this pledge, please contact the Kingdom Seneschal immediately so it may be sent to you asap.
- 10. If you cannot provide these items via email you may mail in your opinion to the Kingdom Seneschal NO LATER THAN July 22, 2020. You must include a copy of your membership card, government issued ID, and proof of residence (zip code....picture of mail) for your opinion to be registered. Address: Bethany Mainville 8151 W. Sierra Vista Drive, Glendale, AZ 85303.

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Mistress Rowan

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Atenveldt

Master Conor de Carlton and Comptesse Caroline Marie de Fontenailles

Vicar and Vicaress of Granite Mountain



Baronial Announcement - July 2020 Meet the Baronial Candidates





Count Brian and Countess Lia Winterbourne

Greetings unto their Majesties, their Highnesses, Kingdom Seneschal, and the populace of Granite Mountain!

We, Count and Countess Brian and Lia Winterbourne, send this missive to declare our desire to be considered for Baron and Baroness of Granite Mountain. Our reasons for seeking the position, our history of participation in the Society and our plans for the future of Granite Mountain are elaborated below.

We hold a deep love for Granite Mountain and cherish its populous. When contemplating the past decade, we have a great deal of pride in all that has been accomplished. It is our desire to use charisma and pageantry to position ourselves as potent advocates for Granite Mountain in its next chapter.

Between us, we have four decades of participation in the Society. Brian's is, among other things, a Beacon, a Guardian and twice a Pilgrim. He has served our Kingdom as a Knight, Estrella Deputy Main, Laurel and King. He is the founding Baron, and has served as event steward, Armored Combat Champion, Champion of Champions, Seneschal, Herald, Exchecker, and Marshal for Granite Mountain. Lia's decade of involvement provided opportunities to serve as Chronicler, Estrella Special Event Coordinator, Kingdom Chatelaine and Queen. In Granite Mountain, she has served often as event steward, A&S Minister, Chronicler, Bard of Wonder and le Dama de Belleza.

Coming from this rich history, our eyes look to the future. We plan to build on the current strengths of Granite Mountain buy investing time and resources into the activities that our populous has demonstrated they love and support. We hope to continue to engage our populous while strengthening bonds with sister groups and raising community awareness of the SCA in Yavapai County. With all that said, our priority is spending time with you, our friends, while making merry around campfires and creating memories which will last a lifetime.

Having been in leadership positions during the early years of the Barony, we both understand the responsibilities of the position of Baron and Baroness. We are willing to be installed with a three-year initial warrant in the position and understand our Letter of Intent will be published in the Ermine Spot if our candidacy is accepted by the Crown.

> Count Brian Winterbourne, the Pious Brian Cole

Countess Lia Winterbourne, le Citolur Joanne Cole



Baronial Announcement - July 2020

Meet the Baronial Candidates



Lord Rustand and Lady Beth Drache



Unto Their Royal Majesties of Atenveldt, The Kingdom Seneschal, and the Noble Populace of The Barony of Granite Mountain, we send our warmest greetings.

After careful consideration and much encouragement, we Lord Rustand Drache and Lady Beth Drache would like to submit this letter of intent for consideration as the next Baron and Baroness of Granite Mountain.

Lord Rustand joined the SCA many years ago in the Kingdom of Calontir and was recognized with several awards from that kingdom. He later moved to Atenveldt in 2009, then Barony of Granite Mountain in 2011. After joining BGM he served as an officer, first as Captain of Archery, Thrown Weapons Marshal, and currently as Rapier Marshal. He has also gained experience working as an event steward for various Baronial events as well as BGM sponsored Crown Tournament. He has also worked as Deputy Facilities at Estrella War in 2019. He has received numerous Baronial awards and kingdom awards, including an AOA, Azure Archer and Golden Blades. Lord Rustand has served as a Baronial Champion multiple times and is the current Cut and Thrust Champion. Along with his experience in the martial arts of Hardsuit, Rapier, Cut and Thrust, Thrown Weapons, and Archery, Lord Rustand is also an artisan, enjoying armoring and leatherwork.

Lady Beth began her SCA journey with her husband in 2014 and jumped right in with all the excitement a newcomer shows. In 2015 she saw a need and volunteered to become Deputy Exchequer for BGM learning a great deal about the financial dealings of the Barony. Later in keeping within her Exchequer rolls she volunteered for drive thru troll for Estrella War. In 2016 she became Atenveldt's Premier Deputy Pay Pal officer and held that office for 2 years. In 2017 and 2018 she worked as Estrella War's PreRegistration officer. Lady Beth is an experienced event steward holding multiple events for both the Barony and the Kingdom such as Northern War Practice, Champions in the Pines, and Fall Crown Tournament twice. She has been recognized with several Baronial awards as well as AOA, a Beacon, and Star of the Desert for the Kingdom of Atenveldt. Lady Beth is also the current Baronial Thrown Weapons Champion. Along with her experience in service and the martial arts of Thrown Weapons and Rapier, Lady Beth enjoys the fiber arts, and costuming.



Baronial Announcement - July 2020 BARONIAL CANDIDATES cont



Both of us have served on Baronial Court and Kingdom Court as a guardsman and lady in waiting. We also were given the opportunity to serve during 2015 and 2016 as Captain of the Guard and Chief Lady in Waiting. During our tenure on court, we traveled extensively with the Baron and Baroness learning a great deal about the duties and responsibilities of the landed Nobility.

The two of us have been happily married for nine years and have stood by each other's side both in good and trying times. We are a strong team and work well together. Although we have gone through some challenges, we have endured and come out stronger than before. We both have a solid work ethic and always strive to get things done. Our work experience has given us leadership and team building skills that will certainly aid us in this endeavor. We both have the time, passion, and commitment to give fully in this role for the populace of Granite Mountain. Our vision is to continue to nurture Baronial pride. We would like to incorporate and inspire populous gatherings at each of the practices, Archery, Hard Suit, Rapier, and Arts and Sciences. We plan to attend each of these activities as often as possible and would motivate the populous to support each other's endeavors. We intend to listen to the needs and ideas of the populace for together we can do great things! We would like to encourage good communication with all Baronial officers and event stewards and give them the support they need. We hope to inspire continued growth in our Barony by creating a welcoming atmosphere for all existing and new members, as well as those who we might not have seen in a while. We plan to honor the tradition Granite Mountain holds dear of outstanding hospitality. We would encourage all populous members to participate in the wonder and pageantry of the Kingdom and Barony, whether you serve as court members, officers, or in an artistic or combat capacity. Our hope is to create an atmosphere of comradery, friendship, and most of all fun for everyone. We understand that fulfilling the roles of Baron and Baroness is a three-year term and that the position requires a substantial commitment of time, travel, and finances. We also understand that if we are selected as candidates, that this document will be posted in "The Southwind" and The Barony of Granite Mountain's newsletter, "The Ermine Spot". We look forward to continued service to the populous of Granite Mountain and The Crown of Atenveldt. We could not be more honored and prouder for the chance to serve our Barony and the people that call Granite Mountain home.

In humble service to The Crown and The Barony of Granite Mountain,

Lord Rustand Drache

Lady Beth Drache

Mike Ladd

Beth Ladd



Baronial Announcement - July 2020 SCA Memberships





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UPDATE ON SCA MEMBERSHIP STATUS EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020

We are sorry to have to report that as of July 1, 2020, we will no longer be able to leave expired memberships open as if they were current memberships. The corporation has reached a point financially where it needs to resume following normal financial processes, which includes returning to standard membership terms. We fully understand the financial constraints that many people are experiencing and we would love to continue the small way that we were able to assist our members, but we have reached a point where it is necessary to return to standard operations.

If you know someone that can't afford to reactive their membership & you would like to help them out, please contact me (renee@sca.org), Theresa (theresa@sca.org) or membership@sca.org and we will be able to assist you in completing the gift purchase. It can be done anonymously, or we'll be happy to send a note along with the membership card. Please let us know at the time of purchase.

The SCA Board and Corporate Officers are closely monitoring the rapidly changing situation. We will continue to look for financially feasible ways to ease our members' burdens. Announcements will continue to be sent out as decisions are made. You will find them on www.sca.org, on the official SCA Facebook page and if you subscribe to Announcements, you will be notified through that subscription.

We very much appreciate your understanding and assistance that you have offered us.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

Kind Regards,

Renee Signorotti

VP/ Corporate Operations



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Scriptorium 4850 N Spruce Rd. Chino Valley

BGM Scriptorium

To be determined.

In humble service, HE Mistress Elsbeth von Sonnenthal,

Populous/Business Meeting

To be determined
YEI or Zoom
8594 E Eastridge Drive
Prescott Valley, AZ

Barony of Granite Mountain Archery Practice

To be determined.

Directions: Granite Mountain Archers, 3755 Willow Creek Road, Prescott, AZ. Located across from Embry Riddle Aeronautical University, next to Spiritual Living Church Less than a mile south of Pioneer Parkway (89A).

Granite Mountain Fighter Practices

**** At this time to be determined ****

Rapier Practice: Memory Park, Chino Valley from 12:00–3:00, every Sunday Hard Suit Practice: Count Brian's House, from 7:00—10:00, every Tuesday



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Deputy Archery Marshal (Lieutenant of Archery): *OPEN*

Sheriff: Lord William Devlin (mka Bud Myers)
Deputy Sheriff: *OPEN*

Thrown Weapons Marshal: *OPEN*
Thrown Weapons Deputy: *OPEN*

Waiver Secretary: *OPEN*

Baronial Webmin: Lord Kristoforus Jafnkollr (mka Kristopher Bullins)

We Want You!!!

Our officer positions are always available to apply for, especially deputies! Come, join us and share your new ideas and knowledge.

Apply for your favorite position today!







If you are interested in any of these open positions, please send your letter of intent to the Vicar and Vicaress at: bgmcoronet@gmail.com and the Baronial Seneschal at bogmseneschal@gmail.com also to the Kingdom Officer of that field.

Youth Minister

Open until filled

This officer will be in charge of the youth of our Barony. Consists of activities, making sure that all youth have their warrants and safety, safety, safety. There are our future, let's make it fun for all to enjoy.

Baronial List

Open until filled

The Ministers of the List work in partnership with the Baronial Marshals administering the combat activities within the Barony. The Baronial List officer is responsible to help with the paperwork necessary to maintain fighter's authorizations and run combat scenarios at events.

Voice Herald

Open Until Filled.

Applicant should have a paid membership, able to attend events and monthly meetings Required to send reports to Kingdom Herald, Post on book of faces of awards given out at events/meetings. Work closely with Scribe and Vicar and Vicaress, and willing to speak in Court. For further questions please send your Letter of intent to the Baronial Seneschal.

A & S Officer **NEW**

Open Until Filled

Applicant should have a paid membership, able to attend events and monthly meetings. Required to send reports to Kingdom A & S Officer, post A & S events on book of faces, must work with Baron and Baroness for what is needed for events, monthly A & S classes, must be creative.

Waiver Secretary

Open until filled. Handle all fighting waivers. Check fighters in and out, provide info at tourneys, etc.

Chatelaine: Open Until Filled.

Applicant must be a paid member. Able to attend events, and Demos to reach out to the public and inform of the SCA. Responsible to keep, store and maintain loaner Garb.

Please send your letter of intent in TODAY!

Deputy Marshalls -

Open, until filled Heavy Fighter Rapier all need Deputy Marshalls.

Deputy Positions:

Open until filled

Chronicler Exchequer Sheriff Chatelaine Arts & Sciences

Archery/Thrown Weapons Captain ***NEW***

Open Until Filled

Applicant should have a paid membership, Must maintain warranted marshal, maintain Kingdom and Baronial rules and regulations, plan Archery and Thrown Weapon events, produce and present Archery and Thrown Weapon events, work with Baronial leadership, Signet for Archery and Thrown Weapons awards, train and develop new BGM archers, monthly reports, maintain Archery supplies, and other duties as required.

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July 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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19 BGM Polling Starts at midnight	20	21	22	23	24	25 BGM Polling Due at Noon
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August 2020

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