



*Barony of Granite Mountain*

*May 2020*

# *The Ermine Spot*



Greetings unto the Populace of Granite Mountain,

Great news for our beloved Barony. Letters of Intent for Baron and Baroness have been received per the guidelines, have been reviewed by Their Majesties and Their Highnesses, and have been approved for publication and polling. Congratulations to our candidates and we encourage the populace to get to know more about them, despite the current quarantine situation. Letters will be published in our May and June newsletters as well as our Facebook group. In June we will have a Meet and Greet and in July our Polling.

We now know that our May event as well as all events Kingdom Calendar have been canceled through June 15th per Their Majesties post on Facebook April 20th. We must postpone Fiber Frivolity to our July date (which is also our polling date) and we will have a combined virtual Court/Populace Meeting for the month of May via Zoom. We ask for everyone's input on the best time for this Zoom Court and will post a questionnaire on our Facebook Group.

Our trial Zoom get-together went well, we had about twelve people able to attend at the set time and we thank the Kingdom for the purchase of this account for Baronial purposes. Official use of the account does require a week's notification to both our Seneschal and to Kingdom Seneschal and Media Officers, but for unofficial purposes (arts, classes, etc.) please notify our seneschal.

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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## *Letter from the Editor*

Greetings and Salutations Populace!

I hope this newsletter finds you and your family well and you've able to spend this time to work on projects to keep you busy.

Within this newsletter, you'll meet our candidates for Baron and Baroness of Granite Mountain. Please read their letters and get to know them.

Last but not least Happy Birthday SCA!

***Remember Granite Mountain.....  
ROCKS!***

### **\*Feedback\***

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](mailto:bgmchronicler@gmail.com). Your ideas and opinions will help to make a better newsletter!



# *Baronial Announcement - May 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 by 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 - May 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 - May 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  
Mike Ladd

Lady Beth Drache  
Beth Ladd





# *Spot - Lite - May 2020*



## **Scriptorium**

4850 N Spruce Rd.  
Chino Valley

### **BGM Scriptorium**

I hope this second Sunday (our usual Scriptorium Day) of April finds you and your family well. Regrettably we can't meet together this month to scribble but I just wanted to wish all of you Happy Easter ☺

And let you know I'm thinking of you .

Until we meet again...keep making beautiful things

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

# Barony Regnum

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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!





# Want Ads

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](mailto:bgmcoronet@gmail.com) and the Baronial Seneschal at [bogmseneschal@gmail.com](mailto: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.

## Waiver Secretary

Open until filled.

Handle all fighting waivers. Check fighters in and out, provide info at tournaments, 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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