# **Chronus Draconum**

Newsletter for the Barony of Sundragon

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# **Baronial Missive**

#### From Their Excellencies of Sundragon

Greetings and happy August Sundragon!

So many activities are coming up in the Kingdom, including 3 Baronial investitures! Yes, you heard that right, 3 sets of Baronial cousins are retiring and we will be welcoming new cousins! We hope you will join us for these amazing events as we travel North for Highlands War in the Barony of Ered Sul, then Turrel will be going to Mace and Great Sword in the Barony March of Mons Tonitrus, followed by us both attending Champions in the Pines in the Barony of Granite Mountain. This is a wonderful opportunity to show off the hospitality and generosity of Sundragon with gifts, so please donate to the Baronial largess so that we can present beautiful items to the outgoing and incoming Coronets of these Baronies.

July was a hot month with many of our populace staying inside to keep cool, but we still had some brave souls at Thursday Fighter practices having some social time. We have also had some offers for pool-time should we have more excessive heat warnings that lead to cancelations, so keep an eye on the book-of-faces- and messenger groups for updates. We are also reaching out to some local social-spots for possible get togethers, so if there is someplace you want to check out let us know and we can discuss what we are looking for. As we write this, Mid-East Feast in the Barony of Twin Moon is on the horizon, we look forward to seeing the beautiful pageantry planned for this "Day in India" and to spend time with those attending.

We also have 2-Baronial events on the schedule to finish off 2025; Baronial Champions at El Oso Park on October 18 and Solstice-event with the Barony of Atenveldt on December 20. If you want to help please reach out and we will connect you with the Event stewards.

Thank you to our Officer Corps for your ideas and input as we start planning these fall-activities. And look ahead to 2026.

Baroness Turrel Michlovna, OL Baron Raven Mayne, OL

## Barony of Sundragon Champions (BSD) Oct 18th, 2025

When: Saturday, October 18th, 2025; Site opens at 8am

Location: El Oso Park/Archery Range; 3451 N 75 th Ave, Phoenix, AZ, 85033

Event Fees: Free

Stewards: Mistress Ceallach Colquhoun

Honoring heritage, heralding the future... our Barony of Sundragon Champions compete.

We will be doing a Family Style Potluck and Largess Derby, along with determining our Archery, Hard Suit,

Rapier, Arts and Science, and Bardic Champions. We will also be choosing our new Chatelaine and Overall Champion.

The Overall Champion, Chatelain, and Style Champions will be posting more about their individual competitions as we get closer.

Thrown Weapons will be held separately (To be announced)

You can bring pop-ups, but NO staking and it is a DRY site.

Pets allowed; must be leashed.

Their Excellencies bid you fun and great health and look forward to seeing everyone there.

## **Repeating Baronial Events**

Fighter Practice - Thursdays from 7-10pm

Sunnyslope Park - 9280 N 71st Ave, Peoria, AZ 85345

Archery Practice - Sundays 7 am

El Oso Park - 3451 N 75th Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85033

Thrown Weapons - The 2nd and 4th Sunday of the Month @ 1pm

\*Check the book of faces for location information

Scribes - Tuesdays 6-9 pm

\*Address changes Weekly, Check the book of faces for updates to the location

Populace and Officer Meeting - Usually 1st Monday of every month 7 pm

\*Peoria Community Center - 8335 W Jefferson St, Peoria, AZ 85345 (Available for virtual participation)

## **Baronial Call for Bids**

Are you passionate about Baronial Events? Do you have a knack for event planning? Are you wanting to learn? Sun Dragon only functions due to the service of its populace. The Barony needs your creative and logistical efforts to pave the way for pageantry and celebration in the future. Come to an officer's meeting on the first Monday of every month to learn more.

Hear Ye Hear Ye!

Our coffers are low and we are in need of largess.

Your Barony needs your help.

Come show the Kingdom of Atenveldt your art and contribute it to the

Barony of Sundragon.

At Sundragon Champions October 18th 2025, there will be a largess derby.

For the derby bring 5 alike items and the winner will choose 2.

Our Most Gracious Baroness Tvoislava will choose the winner.

#### **Baronial Want Ads**

We have open officer positions available! If you are looking for a way to get more involved in Sun Dragon, are service-oriented, or want to invest your time into your hobby, consider submitting a Letter of Intent to Their Excellencies to start your journey as an officer of Sun Dragon. It takes several people to run a Barony well. We need you to make that happen.

If you have any questions, please ask a current or past officer. We would be happy to answer any questions you have.

To submit a letter of intent simply email the Baroness & Baron (<u>sundragoncoronet@atenveldt.org</u>) and BSD Seneschal (<u>sundragonseneschal@atenveldt.org</u>) stating that you would like to be considered for the position. Be sure also to include both your SCA and mundane names, membership ID number, a working phone number, and your local address.

The Barony of SunDragon is soliciting applications for the following positions:



#### **Deputy Exchequer & Emergency Deputy Exchequer**

Often assists the Exchequer by helping to manage gate at baronial events (Mixed Weapons War, Fabric War, Champions, and Solstice) or kingdom events hosted by the barony (e.g., coronation). These positions will require a couple of hours of work at those events.

Being a **deputy** is a great way to get a taste for what responsibilities the office holds without committing to the office fully or to learn the role while the current officer still occupies the position so you could possibly take over for them in the future. If you have held the primary role before but do not want to currently fill the position an **Emergency or "drop dead" deputy** might be the spot for you. These positions are in case the current officer needs to step back from their responsibilities due to any reason they may have and allows the barony to have someone step in while we look for someone new to fill the office. May be asked to help in training the new officers.

## List Minister/ Keeper of the Lists

The **List Minister** helps to manage tournaments, helping to establish the brackets we use to determine combat formats, and tracking the results. This position requires you to work with the Coronets of SunDragon and many members of the populace tactfully and gracefully. The responsibilities for this position include coordinating with the Baroness & Baron, Marshals and Event Stewards for Baronial Champion Tournaments, Tournaments at other Baronial Events and weekly Fighter Practices. You will report to the Baronial Seneschal and the Kingdom List Minister. The major events you will be asked to help the Kingdom List Minister with include Crown (Saturday & Sunday), Coronation (Sunday) and War Practices. This is a great role for those who want a front row seat to the fighting and can track wins and losses.

## Regalia Officer

The Regalia officer is the keeper of all the things (equipment and shiny objects) that make our events and courts a pleasure to behold. This individual is responsible for maintaining the Regalia, keeping the inventory, and arranging for transport of necessary regalia to events attended by the Baron and Baroness.

#### Sheriff



The Baronial Sheriff has the main following duties:

- Send monthly report to kingdom sheriff
- Keeper of baronial lost and found

• Run our watch day at War of the Phoenix or our baronial hosted events

Any other duties revolve around the physical security of persons and items at events.

#### Deputy Seneschal & Emergency Deputy Seneschal

**Deputy Seneschal** and **Emergency Deputy** assist the Seneschal in accomplishing tasks at hand. (e.g., monthly reports, run the officer's meeting, sign contracts, maintain warrants, and more). If you have ever been curious about this office, submit a letter. Being a **deputy** is a great way to get a taste for what responsibilities the office holds without committing to the office fully or to learn the role while the current officer still occupies the position so you could possibly take over for them in the future. If you have held the primary role before but do not want to currently fill the position an **Emergency or "drop dead" deputy** might be the spot for you. These positions are in case the current officer needs to step back from their responsibilities due to any reason they may have and allows the barony to have someone step in while we look for someone new to fill the office. May be asked to help in training the new officers.

#### **Deputy Chronicler**

**Deputy Chronicler**s assist the Chronicler in collecting articles, photos, drawings, ideas, and publishing the monthly Chronus. Being a **deputy** is a great way to get a taste for what responsibilities the office holds without committing to the office fully or to learn the role while the current officer still occupies the position so you could possibly take over for them in the future.

#### **Deputy Youth Activities Officer**

Assist the Youth Activity Coordinator during all official or "published" SCA Youth Activities.

- Must be at or above the age of legal majority in the state, province or country in which the activity occurs.
- Must be unrelated to the warranted baronial youth officer by blood, marriage or personal relationship.
- Provide/obtain valid background check (completed through the kingdom seneschal's office).

For more information about these positions please contact the Kingdom Youth Activities Officer and/or the current Baronial Youth Activities Officer

#### Deputy Social Media Officer

**Deputy Social Media** officer assists the Social Media officer by making social media postings and virtual meetings. Being a **deputy** is a great way to get a taste for what responsibilities the office holds without committing to the office fully or to learn the role while the current officer still occupies the position so you could possibly take over for them in the future.

## **Dragon Farts**

We could bedazzle it - Kandace

That has died with my story of the barony - Nastasia

I went to the dark side, that's where the cookies are. - Patricia

She is eating the wrong kind of cookies - Raven

Iana - Well, the bib was there....

Sarolta - Its been a really long Monday and they both start with "W"

Nastasia - That's not a job for the faint of heart

## Sun Dragon History Corner

As the society grew and more people from the west part of Phoenix became members, a Shire was formed under the sponsorship of the Barony of Atenveldt. Primarily as Arts group, the interests expanded throughout the early 1980s until the Shire of Sundragon was recognized as a Barony.

September 8, 1984 – the Barony of Atenveldt recognized their Friends of the Barony of Sundragon with admittance to the Order of the Palm of Atenveldt. The two baronies have continued to have a close relationship, with membership overlapping and often sharing events, officers, and champions.

Baroness Turrel Michlovna, OL

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For additional information, see the baronial website at <a href="https://www.atenveldt.org/sundragon/">https://www.atenveldt.org/sundragon/</a>

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