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The Barony Of
Unser Hafen
The Gatekeeper

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Baronial Buzz

Congratulations everyone on making Newcomers a great event! There were over 180 attendees - a record turnout. We always look forward to these large events with anticipation and dread. The anticipation to create something special, and the dread of the cleanup and pain the next day.

We want to thank Lady Cecelia and Countess Kitta for being the overall managers of the event. Thank you to Mistress Aldyth for the lunch and the donated game. Thank you to Countess Rosalind, Mistress Ursula, Lady Eithne, Sir Felix, Lady Euphemia and Lady Cecelia for soups and stews. Thank you to Countess Rosalind for the Arts and Sciences organization. The room looked fantastic. The “ Not so Honest” Nico did another wonderful job getting clothes, games and other items sold to raise funds for the Barony. Thanks to Don Marcus, Don Martine, Lord Stigr and Sir Uchtred for the fighting, and all the Crows for handling the games. We especially want to thank Ladies Euphemia and Eithne for stepping in and managing the kitchen at the last minute. Who knew a potluck would need that much work in the kitchen. And another thanks to Lady Euphemia for the 12 pounds of prime rib. It went fast. And Lady Vigdis, you rock! Time to put your feet up for a while. We know that we missed some people, but we want to thank everyone for making magic happen.

Unser Hafen’s Pencerdd Bard competition was held at Newcomers. After a wonderful Bardic Circle, Lady Vaeltaja turned over the Bardic Champion regalia to Countess Kitta. Countess Kitta played the harp and sang a period song.

We were also glad to be able to award several gentles:

- **Don Marcus - Keepers of the Portcullis, for his support of fencing**
- **Lord Soren - Iron Rivet, for his over 15 years of service to the Barony**
- **Baron Nico - Golden Columbine, for his persona and helping people to have fun.**
- **Lady Liliana - Skipping Stone, for her service here and then her move to the Shire of Windkeep**
- **Lord Stigr - Nobles Gratitude, for his help at fighter practices**
- **Lord Ulrich - Builders of the Portcullis, for his art and science with tables, lighting, and other items**
- **Lady Vaeltaja - Harmonia, for her bardic skills with voice, writing and music**

We had a changeover of several of our wonderful Officers. So our thanks to those stepping down after their service and to those that are stepping up to support the Barony through their service:

Stepping down:

- **Lady Vigdis - Seneschal**
- **Lady Liliana - Minister of Arts and Science**
- **Don Marcus - Rapier Marshal**
- **Lady Gwen - Social Media**

Stepping up:

- **Lady Eithne - Seneschal**
- **Countess Rosalind - Minister of Arts and Sciences**
- **Don Martine - Rapier Marshal**

It is heart warming to see all the named and un-named people setting up, cleaning up, organizing, cooking, running tournaments and games. We appreciate your service so that you and others can play. Without you we are sitting at home instead.

Until the next time:

Freana, Baron

Richenda, Baroness

Seneschal's Sentiments

Greetings Good Gentles!

Colours abound and leaves are littering the ground. 'Tis a time for reflection as the land rests after its growing season. Similarly, it is time for me to rest after having learned much during my time as seneschal. I thank all of the officers who served at the same time as I. Likewise, I give thanks for you, dear populace, being an ever present force and support during my tenure.

The season of Harvest is upon us and the Barony of Unser Hafen has reaped the greatest of rewards. We have a new seneschal, Lady Eithne ingen Fhaelain Duib! I am certain, my esteemed gentles, you shall strive to make this transition an easy one and you will demonstrate the kindness of members of the barony through your unwavering support.

In Service,
Ladyship Vigdis Knarrarbringa,
The Former Seneschal of Unser Hafen

Greetings and many Harvest Blessings!

I am joyous beyond measure to be a part of this amazing Barony and look forward to the wondrous events that we will create together in the coming months and years!

I have been part of the SCA since 1998 when I was in college in California. I remember walking across the quad during a lunch break and literally stopping in my tracks upon seeing people dressed in medieval clothing and watching others fighting with what I thought were sticks. It felt like I had been picked up and dropped into a world that I had only read and dreamed about. I immediately went to the information table that the local group had set up and demanded to know what this amazing thing was and how I could get involved. Less than a year later, the fighter I had become

the consort of won the local tournament to be the next Baron and I became a Baroness. With a ton of help and support from my friends in the group, I learned a lot very fast about how to lead, on and off, the field and how to hold court in a fun and meaningful way. After my year as Baroness, I held the office of Exchequer for the Barony of Allyshia and Treasurer for multiple interest groups and I have been an Autocrat, in and out, of the SCA for multiple events (including seated feasts, camping events, pagan music festivals, local tournaments and a co-Autocrat for a Kingdom event).

In my modern life, I have dedicated a significant amount of time learning how to guide and lead people in the way that they need. I have taken many training courses to enhance my natural empathy and ability to understand where someone is coming from. These training courses include, but are not limited to, Conflict Resolution, Crucial Conversations, Crucial Accountability, Staff to Supervisor, Managing Emotions Under Pressure and Mindfulness. I also hold a Mediation Certificate from Phoenix Strategies.

In a lot of ways the SCA saved my life and gave me the family that I didn't know that I could have. It is that deep connection that brought me back to the SCA after moving from California to Colorado. Her Ladyship Vigdis has been an amazing guide and teacher in the art of seneschalship over the past months and I am grateful for her time and friendship! I have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know the Barony of Unser Hafen, all those that are part of our group and all those that come to our events. Here's to the joy, friendship, mirth and wonder that we will create together! Huzzah!

In Service to all within Our Home,
Lady Eithne ingen Fhaelain Duib
Seneschal of Unser Hafen

Seeking Deputies

The following positions are currently seeking deputies:

- Quartermaster (oversees the storage unit & its contents): Contact Baron Freana via baron@unserhafen.org.
- Gold Key (oversees our collection of loaner garb): Contact Lady Ulanda via baroness@unserhafen.org.
- Chatelaine (oversees all things pertaining to newcomers): Contact Lord Yngve Hjalmsson via chatelaine@unserhafen.org.
- Exchequer (treasurer): Contact Mistress Ursula via exchequer@unserhafen.org.
- Chronicler (production of our monthly newsletter): Contact Lady Euphemia via chronicler@unserhafen.org.
- Webminister (the witchery of the ethereal plane): Contact Lord Ulric via webminister@unserhafen.org.
- Herald (assists with creation/ formal acceptance of name &

- armory): Contact Her Honour Safiyya via herald@unserhafen.org.
- Social Media (the sorcery of phantom platforms):
Email socialmedia@unserhafen.org and seneschal@unserhafen.org.
 - Captain of Archers (oversees all things archery): Contact Lord Marc via archery@unserhafen.org.
 - Scribe (oversees creation of scrolls): Contact Her Ladyship Anne Elizabeth Moreley via scribe@unserhafen.org.

Scribal

Good Scribes of Unser Hafen!

This month at Scribal Night at Unser Hafen, Monday 28 November, I will teach Calligraphy Basics. Learning the basics for all scripts will immediately improve all of what you write. For scribes this is terribly important as the appearance of the text is just as important as the illumination/decoration, and straggly calligraphy will bring down your beautiful decoration.

If you are interested in calligraphy, this would be a great way to start.

As always, we will meet at 6:30 at 5318 Ravenswood Lane in Johnstown. The class will not begin until 7:00, so come when you can. We will serve dinner so head over after work or play. I look forward to seeing you all there!

Your humble servant,
Anne Elizabeth

Embroidery Guild

Embroiderers, beginning and experienced, the Embroidery Guild will soon be resuming. I am looking for a location with good lighting, and a night for us to meet. If you are interested please email me with your monthly conflicts as soon as possible so I can do my best with the schedule: monroefischer@icloud.com.

Your humble servant,
Anne Elizabeth

White Rose Inn

The White Rose Inn is open again!

The pandemic has slowed down and the restrictions have lifted. On the 2nd Wednesday of every month, the White Rose Inn will open for an evening of warmth and hospitality in Unser Hafen. If you are interested in medieval food, there will be a short talk and things to taste test. Bring along and share your own culinary experiments if you want. Not into cooking? Come test what others have made. Or just come and hang out and share your scintillating conversation. Don't live in Unser Hafen? You are welcome as well.

Come Taste, Test, And Talk.

No SCA garb is required, and you are welcome to bring along food if you didn't have time for dinner.

The Inn will rotate between Fort Collins, Loveland and Greeley.

Wednesday November 9, 2022 6:30pm

The Inn will be at Mistress Ursula and Earl Mika's home
2021 40th Avenue in Greeley

Phone (571) 236-4438

Subject: Holiday recipes (kuchen, gingerbread and holiday dishes)

December - no meeting

Wednesday January 11, 2022 6:30pm

The Inn will be at the home of Baroness Richenda and Baron Freana
1232 Lawrence Drive in Fort Collins

Phone (913) 219-3808

Subject: Pies

Looking Forward

Do you have an article or story that you would like to share with the populace? Send it to chronicler@unserhafen.org and it will be reviewed for inclusion in the Gatekeeper.

Do you have something to share with the populace concerning an event or activity that you normally post to Facebook? Please forward that information to webminister@unserhafen.org and chronicler@unserhafen.org as well so that it can be posted using all of our communication methods.

What's Going on in our Barony?

Armoured and Fencing Practice

Sundays, 2:00-5:00 PM

Glen Morris Field House at CSU

Fort Collins, CO 80525

NOTE: The last practice before Winter Break will be Sunday, November 20th. Practice will resume January 22nd

Visit the [Website](#) for more info, directions and any changes to the schedule.

We welcome any and all Arts & Sciences activities, and general SCA socializing!

Scribal Night

Every 4th Monday at 6:30PM

The home of Lady Regalis dei Falchi
5318 Ravenswood Lane, Johnstown,
CO, or virtually - check the [Book of](#)

Archery Practice

November 19, 11AM

December 3, 11AM

Rocky Mountain Archery

4518 Innovation Dr.

Fort Collins, CO 80525

Please

contact archery@unserhafen.org if you would be interested in practicing weekday evenings (Tuesdays, 5:30-7?). If there is enough interest, additional times may be added. Visit the [Website](#) for schedule updates and more info. Find us in the "Unser Hafen Archers" group on Facebook for any short notice changes to the schedule.

A&S Gathering

Join us at Armoured and Fencing Practice on most Sundays! See above for more info. Updates can be

[Faces](#) for links to the meetings.

found on the Book of Faces.

For more information contact the Honourable Lady Anne Elizabeth Morley (Marjorie Monroe-Fischer) at scribe@unserhafen.org.

Calligraphy &/or Illumination

Contact: The Honorable Lady Anne Elizabeth Morley
970-227-9273

Equestrian Practice

Contact: Lady Cecelia O'Connor
970-420-6652

(Dance and Embroidery Guild are currently inactive)

Check the Unser Hafen [website](#) or [The Book of Faces](#) for additional upcoming events and locations.

Virtual Populace Meeting

Wednesday, November 16, 2022

6:30pm

Link for the business meeting: meet.google.com/fbz-auqx-iqi

Join by phone: (US) +1 929-282-1162 PIN: 667 226 830#

Kingdom Calendar

Date	Group	Event	Royal Progress	Autocrat
November 2022				
12	Barony of al-Barran	<u>Toys for Tots Tournaments & Children's Faire</u>	K/Q P/P	Lady Catrina Fraser
December 2022				
3	Shire of Windkeep	<u>Windkeep Yule</u>		Lady Dwynwen Llanerchynedd
3	Shire of Rio de las Animas	Yule Revel - Rio	K/Q	Geua filia Guy
10	Barony of Caer Galen	<u>Caer Galen Midwinter</u>	K/Q	Team Dwen-Livia

10	Barony of the Citadel of the Southern Pass	<u>The Feast of St. Edrik & Baronial Polling</u>	P/P	Carlos Nieto de Andrade
17	Barony of al-Barran	<u>Al-Barran Midwinter</u>	K/Q/P/P	Gwenlyn Aldwyn & Phaedra Thebia
January 2023				
7	Barony of Caerthe	Caerthe 12th Night	K/Q	Lady Bryngeror Deotrichdottir
14-15	Barony of al-Barran	<u>Outlands Coronation</u>	K/Q P/P	Team Ays & Phaedra
21	Barony of Aarquelle	Viking Vintr Vunderlandt	K	Team Teigr y Audrey
28	Barony of Dragonsspine	Dragonsspine Candlemas		Lady Sorcha MacGillavrey
February 2023				
1-5	Kingdom of Atenveldt	<u>War of the Phoenix</u>	K/Q	
11	Shire of Nahrun Kabirun	Valentines Masked Ball		Lady Cecilia Tretheway
25	Barony of Unser Hafen	<u>Winter Oasis</u>	Q	Safiyya Bint Faris Al-Dani

Visit <https://www.outlands.org/events> for the most up-to-date information.

The Court of Unser Hafen



His Excellency

Baron Freana Geardson

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Her Excellency

Baroness Richenda de la Selva

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Court Herald - Sir Felix Sniumi

Defender - Sir Felix Sniumi

Protector - Sir Michalangelo Francesco di Genoa

Warden - Lady Jess of Unser Hafen

Equerry - Lady Cecilia Juetta

Arts & Sciences Champion - Lady Euphemia de Argyll

Pencerdd Bard - Countess Kitta

Barbican Persuivant - Baroness Safiyya bint Faris al Dani

Head of Household - Baroness Safiyya bint Faris al Dani

Baronial Officers

Officers and Responsibilities

Seneschal - President

Chancellor of the Exchequer - Treasurer

Barbican Pursuivant Herald - Submits name and armory applications

Chatelaine/Hospitaller - Assists Newcomers

Gold Key - Loans period-looking garb and feast gear to event participants

Knight Marshal - Oversees combat activities

Marshal of Fence - Oversees fencing activities (Rapier, Cut and Thrush)

Captain of Archers - Oversees archery activities

Minister of Arts and Sciences - Oversees all art and science activities

Scribe - Coordinates creation of award scrolls

Equestrian - Oversees activities involving Horses

Chronicler - Editor of the Newsletter

Social Media - Oversees social media postings of events/communications

Webminister - Oversees the running of the websites of the barony

Quartermaster - Maintains, inventories and stores physical property of the barony

[Deputies are listed in brackets]

Seneschal:

seneschal@unserhafen.org

Lady Eithne ingen Fhaelain Duib

Secretary: Lady Euphemia de Argyll

Chancellor of the Exchequer:

Gold Key:

Lady Ulanda of Unser Hafen

Knight Marshal:

knightmarshal@unserhafen.org

Sir Uchtred Leifsson

[Lord Fjölverkr]

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Barbican Pursuivant Herald:

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[Stein Agmundsson]

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Lady Euphemia de Argyll
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Barony of Unser Hafen website:

- <https://unserhafen.wixsite.com>

Barony of Unser Hafen Facebook page:

- <https://www.facebook.com/BaronyOfUnserHafen/>

Armoured and Fencing Website:

- <https://unserhafen.wixsite.com/unserhafen/rapier-heavy-summer>

Archery Website:

- <https://unserhafen.wixsite.com/unserhafen/archery-summer>

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- <https://www.outlands.org/events>

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