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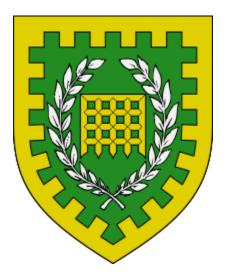
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Baronial Buzz

Greetings Good Populace,

Just recently, the SCA board posted an announcement about no in-person events until January 31, 2021. For many, this is disheartening, as we enjoy seeing our dear friends in-person. We have even had people say the SCA is on hold. This statement is far from true! The SCA is alive and active during these unprecedented times in our history! We meet every other week via virtual events, and I know many are working on projects, and using this time to train. There are multiple events across the Known World, all worth attending.

Most importantly, the dream cannot die, as the Dream of the SCA resides within. During these times, the knightly virtues mean more, not less. We should all continue to practice them in our daily lives, and be examples in these times. We can show those whom we are able to interact with, virtually or in person, the ideals of the Society that we call home. The Dream is one of light shining through all darkness, and is a shared dream that exists in all of our hearts.

The Dream has existed for many years, and October will mark the thirtieth anniversary of StoneHaven being elevated to the barony of Unser Hafen. We are working on a social media challenge, not only for ourselves but for the known world. Starting October 1st, we want you all to post your stories, share videos, and pictures of Unser Hafen and the wonderful populace. What are some of your favorite stories of Unser Hafen? Who over the years has inspired you? Has Unser Hafen inspired you to song and dance? Share it! Let the Known World celebrate Unser Hafen. We will post more information soon, and we ask when you share the story, add the hashtag #unserhafen30. We may not be able to get together inperson to celebrate, but let us spend the time sharing all the things that make Unser Hafen great.

Additionally, Baroness Hélène is planning an amazing virtual feast called Conviviality Feast so that we can all gather to safely share memories and enjoy each other's company with good food and drink. Please mark your calendars for October 17th from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. In the coming months recipes will be shared so that all may choose to cook medieval food. Not interested in cooking your own feast? Have food delivered and enjoy that with us!

In these unusual and trying times, the stalwart steadiness of Unser Hafen remains unchanged. We are proud to be the Baron and Baroness of Unser

Hafen's Pack. The emerald of the Outlands continues to shine brightly and care for every member of the Pack.

We are Unser Hafen, a Home that plays together, stays together. Stone Wolves have each other's back! So to our dearest Stone Wolves: know you are our pack; you are supported; you are cherished, and you are loved.

In love and service,

Aegeon & Miriam Baron & Baroness of Unser Hafen

Seneschal's Sentiments

Dearest Stonewolves!

She gasps. Then she leans closer to the screen to reread the resolution from the Society's Board of Directors. Egads, all official in person events have been suspended until January 31, 2021! She pauses, considering. The sunlight illuminating her chamber suddenly and drastically dims. A cloud has passed over the sun, briefly shadowing the land.

The presence of this plague is simply the same. A brief, albeit prolonged, yet still only a brief period of time within the whole, grand scheme of life. Therefore, we have a choice. We can allow this shadow to cause despondency and wallow in its depths or we can strive forward believing the sun shall soon reign once more.

More so, I am of the mind to make this time one in which not only were these travails surmounted but eclipsed by the virtual feats of our populace. Let us not lose heart! Instead, let us regale each other with stories during our wolf den chats, attend or teach a class, begin a new project or finish one which has stood waiting far too long, discover a new talent in those surrounding you, or reach out to others and renew the bonds of friendship in the old manner of a letter or *whispers* the sorcery of a phone call.

We shall get through these troubled times. Let us do so with our heads high, eyes clear, and hearts open. Suspended in person events does not mean no events. The sorcery of the virtual world has opened channels and

opportunities for exploration. Let us go forth and conquer!

In Service, Lady Vigdis Knarrarbringa Seneschal of Unser Hafen

Artistic Musings

A&S Craft and Chat

Join us at our monthly gathering! Work on your project, get guidance or just come and socialize. More details can be found in the event <u>PAGE</u> on Facebook

Chatelain's Corner

Greetings all. Well, it's hard to meet new and prospective members when we aren't actually meeting in person these days. We're not out there dazzling them with our pageantry and our shows of skill and chivalry. I have had a trickling of inquiries and have greeted them and put them in contact with people doing the kinds of activities they are interested in.

One thing that does have me excited is a group of newcomers who we met by running a Facebook ad and from people who work together. All of these people are new and have decided to band together to share resources. We have been talking via the ether and have plans for persona workshop and garb discussion. So that being said, please welcome these newcomers who have been added to this newsletter as well... Kael, Riley, Bill, Gunnar, Trent, Anna, and Quinn who has already started working on

his persona so will be known as AGMUNDSSON and has also agreed to be Deputy Chatelain.

YIS Yngve Hjalmsson.

Opez! Opez!

Calling for Pictures of the Barons and Baronesses of Unser Hafen

Dear Stone Wolves,

I have a project in mind for our 30 year, and I need your help. If you have a picture of any of the past Barons and Baronesses of Unser Hafen, while they were B&B, please send them to me! Ideally, I would like pictures of/near their investiture, but any picture is better than none!

Please email the pictures to <u>baron@unserhafen.org</u>

In service and love, Baron Aegeon

a.k.a. Baron of Plausible Deniability

What's Going on in our Barony?

Armoured and Fencing Practice

Suspended until 2021.

Visit the <u>Website</u> for more info or any changes to the schedule.

Rams Keep Fencing Practice

Suspended until 2021

Archery Practice (Indoors)

Suspended until 2021

A&S Gathering

Check the Unser Hafen website or The Book of Faces for upcoming events and locations

Equestrian Practice

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

<u>Virtual Events</u> check the Facebook <u>WEBPAGE</u> for upcoming online events Visit the <u>Website</u> or Find us in the "Unser Hafen Archers" group on Facebook for more info.

Dance

On hold until further notice

Calligraphy &/or Illumination

Contact: The Honorable Lady Anne

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Kingdom Calendar

2020

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8/4/20, 10:00 PM

1	Canton of Hawks Hollow	**Cancelled** St. Sebastian's Archery Tournament		Ailinn Shadowfox
21-23	Shire of Plattefordham	**Cancelled** Here There Be Dragons		Lord Ryuu
September 2020				
12-13	Barony of Dragonsspine	**Cancelled** Outlands Crown Tournament	K/Q/P /P	HE Seamus MacRae
19	Canton of Hawks Hollow	**Cancelled** Northglenn Pirate Festival Demo		Eric Morrison
October 2020				
3	Shire of Rio de las Animas	**Cancelled** Rio Defender		Thorvald Hilgedrick
10-11	Kingdom of the Outlands	<u>Kingdom Arts & Sciences -</u> <u>Plague Edition</u>		Mistress Richenda
16-18	Shire of Nahrun Kabirun	**Cancelled ** Siege of the City		Lord John Russell
17	Barony of Unser Hafen	Unser Hafen Conviviality Feast (Online)		Helene Boudain
November 2020				
14	Shire of Drygestan	**Cancelled** Outlands Coronation	KQ/PP	Christine Bishop
15	Shire of Drygestan	**Cancelled** Outlands Coronation - Day 2	K/Q	Christine Bishop

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