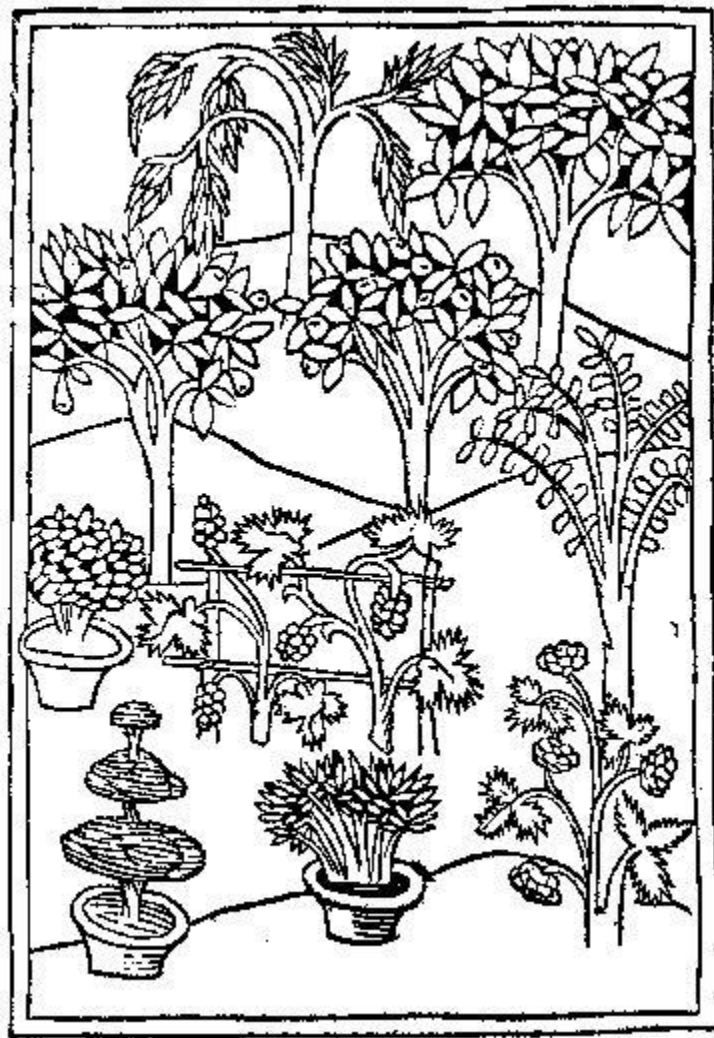


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# FROM his excellency

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Happy July Jararvellir-

This will be a short missive this month. Warriors and Warlords is fast approaching, and we all have a lot to do...

I want to congratulate Sean of Jararvellir, the Barony's latest recipient of the award of arms. Congratulations to Valdis Bryningsdottir, recipient of the black flame, and Speranza de Rauvenna the award of the Cygnus. Well done all!

While having fun at WW, please remember to keep hydrated, and volunteer for a couple of shifts. The event always needs more people to help.

Robert The Stout  
Baron of Jararvellir



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## GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

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**Present:** Gerald, Cledwyn, Rhys, Aesa, Jois, Toussaint, Aoife, Nicolaus, Marian, Annora, Istani, Speranza, Fiona, Lance, Sol, Gunther, Dennis, Jack

**Gerald:** A & S cancelled last 2 jewelers' guild the last two months but will have it for the month of July. Gerald: A&S proposal for kingdom space for an event for valentine's weekend or warner park bid for Warner park bid has gone though.

**Nicolaus:** Music guild will be canceled next week

**Asea:** Here for money

**Sol:** Has SCA waivers to turn in. As of now SCA has stock pavilion rest of year except December 2 for their bleaching for Christmas tree sales because they have been having issues with updating their website.

**Istani:** Student stuff still on pause recruit student fair we are in the athletic depart for martial arts, spring org fair recruit for more A&S stuff

**Cledwyn:** had a person of interest that contacted them but have not heard back

**Aloife:** canton business loading of the truck for WW July 4 to thank out cookout afterword bring your own meet will start at 10am in Tomah

**Gunther:** WW found hay bales for archery and other things, things looking good for WW 700 booklets moved merchants up to what was quite camp last year. Showers moved by bar.

**Jack:** youth buffer change for the summer or no change have them get in contact with jack  
1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> probably the 3<sup>rd</sup> of February for FITS

**Toussaint:** bids call went out for fall bid due Dec 31 and spring bid due mid Sept. If interested for crown or coronation events. Group marshals need to be getting reports on time.

July 15 meet the candidates at the stock pavilion at 7:30pm  
Aug 16 next meeting we will be voting to limit for the next baronage.



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## next general meeting

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General meetings are usually booked for the first Sunday of every month unless noted in 116 Predolin Hall at Edgewood College.

The next meeting will be held 8.16.2015 at 7:00PM.



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## LOCAL NEWS

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### EUROPEAN DANCE PRACTICE

**Details for those new to the dance practices:** We do period dances of Italy, France, and England from the 15th and 16th centuries, as well as later dances upon request. The dances range from extremely easy to rather complex. Dances are for couples, trios, and larger groups. One does not need a partner to attend dance practice. No experience necessary, all dances are taught. If you can walk, you can dance.

**Time:** 1st & 3rd Sundays 3-5PM, 2nd & 4th Thursdays 7-9PM Please keep an eye out on the Jararvellir email list or Facebook group for updates on if practice will be held or if circumstances entail canceling.

**Location:** Capitol Lakes Retirement Center, 333 W. Main St. Center (Two blocks off the capitol square. Parking on the street is free on Sundays and after 6PM.) The room is the exercise studio that is part of their Aquatic & Wellness Center. There will be a roster waiver set up for everyone to sign when they show up. Please sign in. Please, no street shoes in the room. Either bring a pair of shoes specifically for dancing or plan on dancing in socks or bare feet. There are cubby holes for shoes across from the room.

If you have questions, call me at 608.213.1107 Hope to see you there!

Elashava bas Riva (justShava®), OL



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# EVENTS

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## OUT AND ABOUT

For more information visit the individual group's website:  
<http://www.northshield.org/Events/List.aspx>

### July

9-12 [Warriors and Warlords](#) Barony of Nordskogen (Osseo WI)

### August

7-9 [Poorman's Pennsic](#) Shire of Falcon's Keep (Wisconsin Rapids WI)

### September

19 [Once At SCA Event](#) shire of Shattered Oak (Augusta WI)

26 [Sir Gawain and the Green Knight](#) Barony of Caer Anterth Mawr (Horicon WI)



# BARONIAL CANDIDATES

Lol: Æðelwald and Grisha

**Æðelwald Bald and Grisha Razumni**

Greetings unto the Populace of the Barony of Jararvellir! This missive is sent to announce that we, Æðelwald Bald (MKA Denis Zdanovsky) and Grisha Razumni (Gregory Kveberg) intend to run for Barons of Jararvellir.

**From Æðelwald Bald,**

I was introduced to the SCA during high school by one of my teachers (Master Chandler) and my boss (Countess Bridei); I joined during college. I have been participating for the past nine years. My main activities have been those related to clothing (sewing, embroidery, some dabbling in tablet weaving and leatherwork) and archery. I have also participated in fencing (I authorized at my first Warriors and Warlords, and reauthorized again this year at ARRG), as well as period style cooking at Pennsic. Outside of the SCA, my interests include ballroom dance, calligraphy and illumination, cooking, and vintning. Professionally, I am a programmer for Hardin Design and Development.

My entire time in the SCA has been spent in Jararvellir. During my time in college, I would travel back to Madison on Wednesdays and weekends to participate in SCA activities. I have come to see the group as extended family and have wished to give back to the Barony for quite some time, but was only able to do so in spurts and bursts with my ever-fluctuating mundane life. Now that I have settled into a stable job and do not expect any major upheavals, I am prepared to devote my time and energy to the Barony of Jararvellir.

Among the responsibilities of a Baron is to represent the Barony to the Crown, and the Crown to the Barony. Often this means getting to know the Populace well enough to be able to recommend individuals for awards to a Crown that might live in a different state. At other times, if conflict arises, this means knowing the Populace well enough to speak in its best interest and navigate disagreements so as to maintain positive associations with others involved. I have developed similar capacities through experiences in my mundane life. During my time at college, I helped start two clubs; in my first year I helped start the fencing club, and in my last two years I helped start the Pagan club. I served as vice president and then president of the Pagan club, both positions playing a similar role between the club and the University as the position of Baron between the Barony and the Kingdom. In an unofficial capacity, I have helped organize events for alumni during the university's annual gaming convention, and I am usually the one to coordinate large dinner and other outings for my non-SCA social circle. I have discussed the roles and responsibilities of being Baron, and sought guidance from both His Excellency Robert the Stout, and Her Excellency Eithni. Through my friendship with Baroness Eithni since joining the SCA, I have gotten to see the amount of work that she had put into being Baroness during her time on the high seat. I understand that being Baron is an important responsibility, but from my experiences outside the SCA I believe it is completely within my capability.

Over the last several years, we have managed to increase the number of college students attending fighter practices, thanks to the efforts of His Excellency Robert the Stout and the many other individuals. I would like to maintain this trajectory and try to increase their event attendance, as well. Along these lines, I believe having a younger Baron would show people that they don't need to devote decades to the SCA to be able have their voices heard. I would also like to bring back the Newcomer's Feast. When we do demos, or have had a table at

UW-Madison's student organization fair, much emphasis is placed on the martial activities and Wednesday and Sunday practices. When I first joined, I attended the fighter practices. I knew that other activities were available, but it wasn't until attending the Newcomer's feast that I actually came to realize all of the different options. As a newcomer, it is difficult to imagine the depth and expansiveness of activities that occur more quietly even than the arrows whisking toward their target and I believe bringing these activities to light for newer members would help both newcomers find their calling and bring new vivacity to our quieter circles.

Yours in Service,  
Lord Æðelwald Bald

**From Grisha Razumni,**

I first joined the SCA here, in Jararvellir, over twenty years ago. I can no longer remember how I first heard of the group, but my first memories of the SCA were, in large part, shaped by a very patient Sir Raito, who was kind enough to put up with my rather clueless antics on the list field. During my time in the barony I have had the chance to participate in many of the activities that the society offers. I have enjoyed taking part in armored combat (although I'll win no honors for the barony when I return to the field this summer after a long hiatus), carpentry, sewing, and dance. I'm also a supporter of the bardic arts, although I'll usually opt not to inflict my own songs on unsuspecting audiences. While I greatly value all of these activities, the facet of the SCA, and especially of Jararvellir, that has always most appealed to me is the warmth and generosity of this community of fellow nerds, vagabonds, and adventurers.

As the fortunate husband of Baroness Eithni, I have some experience with the responsibilities involved in serving as Baron. I also have some direct experience in leading an SCA group. During a period of several years spent away from Jararvellir, I served as webminister for the Shire of Wurmwald. Wurmwald had fallen on hard times, and I was able to play some small role in helping to reinvigorate it. I was part of a small but fantastic group of SCAdians, all of whom contributed to the Shire's revival. I personally championed and helped to organize a newcomer's moot (an idea borrowed from those held here in Jararvellir) and successfully courted new recruits on campus at the University of Illinois. Those experiences really brought home to me how important it is to have a thriving local SCA group (something that one can easily take for granted when one comes of age in Jararvellir).

I share Æðelwald's desire to reach out and introduce new people to the pleasures of the game, and I believe that my skills as an educator (I am a professor in the mundane world) could be helpful in organizing baronial activities and in connecting interested new people with active groups within the Barony. My relatively low-stress job in academia, combined with my truly excellent and top-notch spousal support system will afford me the time and energy needed to carry out the duties of Baron. I'd like to step up and do my part to give something back to a Barony that has always very good to me, even when I was a clueless youngster.

Yours in Service,  
Grisha Razumni

# Lol: Gerald

## Gerald Loosehelm

- Joined in the Shire of Middlford (Now the Stronghold of Hellsgate) In the Stellar Kingdom of Ansteorra late in A.S. XIX (1985).
- Award of Arms (1st) A.S. XXI (1987).
- Moved to The Middle Kingdom A.S. XXI (1987).
- Moved to the Barony of Jararvellir in A.S. XXIV (1989)
- Jararvellir Armored Combat Champion A.S. XXVI (1991)
- Award of Arms (2nd) A.S. XXV (1990)
- Jararvellir Baronial Fool A.S. XXXIX (2004)
- Award of the Golden Scales A.S. XL (2005)
- Award of the Black Flame A.S. XLVIII (2014)
- The Order of the Gilded Shell A.S. XLIX (2014)
- The Order of Brigit's Flame A.S. XLIX (2015)

I have won one tournament heavy combat and won several contests for foolery. I have been participating for the last 30 years, with the exception of a short period during the 1990's to concentrate on my career.

I want to see the Society, Kingdom, and Barony grow and add new members. I have experience with many aspects of the society and when issues occur, I am even-handed and will listen to all sides of a debate before making a decision.

However, I also want people to have fun. I understand the game and I understand the "Dream". It doesn't matter if you have been in a few weeks, a few years or 30+ as I have been, the SCA should be about good friends and our love of history. If you fight, sew, sing, dance, merchant, or do anything else, we should be having fun together.

My plans for the barony has been made easy by my predecessors and their hard work. I will labor to continue the wonderful work started 45 years ago by the first Baron Hrafn, and Baroness Asdis Stefansdottir in A.S. VI. Recognizing the efforts of members of the barony is important work and I would strive to honor all who deserve recognition. I plan to not be just a figurehead; I will provide assistance wherever I am able. In addition to the events we currently have, I would like to bring back the feast of Saint Bunstable's as it was always a fun and light-hearted event centered around the Saint's relics. I would also resurrect the local event of the Feast of Saint Hersheyli as a dessert revel can never be wrong.

I want people to look at our barony and say that it is a group that works and plays well together and set an example for the rest of the kingdom. I would aspire to be a fair, fun, and entertaining Baron and it would be an honor to hold this position as the SCA reaches our 50 year milestone.

Thank you for considering my request.

Yours in service to Jararvellir, Northshield, The Society and the Dream.

Ld. Gerald Loosehelm



# Lol: Marian and Nikolaus

## Marian Elizabeth Wollenschläger and Nikolaus der Ausländer

We put our names forward as candidates for Baron and Baroness of Jararvellir because we believe that serving in these roles is the next step in our path of service, and we are excited to have the opportunity to enter this process. We look forward to meeting with and answering your questions.

### Who we are:

**The Honorable Lady Marian:** I served in our organization almost from the moment I started not quite twenty years ago. Before holding any office, I helped in kitchens, prep and work crews, site clean-up, manned check-in tables and other various tasks that make events go well. I still do these things. My interests include people skills, domestic, needle and culinary arts. Officially, I served as Baronial Arts & Sciences Minister, Baronial Seneschal, Northshield Eastern Regional Deputy Seneschal and am the current Exchequer for Warriors and Warlords. I've been Event Steward or Feast Steward for several events in our Barony.

This service hasn't gone unnoticed. I received most of the non-nobility service awards available: Golden Scales, Pisces, Wellspring, Award of Arms, Purple Fret, Cygnus and the Hand of Tyr. I'm privileged to be a new Protégé of Dame Marwen De La Rivere, former Kingdom Seneschal.

**Hlafwærd Nikolaus:** I served at my very first event thirty-odd years ago: Jararvellir's Decennial. I performed in demos, mopped floors (such as the entire Mandt Center) and worked set-up and take-down for more events than I can remember. I'm a bit of a fixture on the Warriors and Warlords Work Week team as a project manager for Ed the Tall. I'll happily solve on-the-spot problems at events. I'm privileged to lead the Jararvellir Music Guild the past six years, including the wonderful reunion of some twenty former members for Dance Seminar last autumn. My interests are more varied: music performance, non-rattan martial arts, visual arts and the small tasks that make events run smoothly.

Because most of my service is in the background and often ad hoc, I'm not included in the more prestigious orders and award rolls, but then that isn't why I do these things. I'm glad to make a difference. I received an Award of Arms, Cygnus, Purple Fret and Glove, and am a member of the Orders of Alistair's Lamp, Pisces, Crwth and Willow for the little things I do.

Together, we make a solid team. Our different interests, skills and talents work together to create a whole that is greater than the two parts.

### Our Vision:

Right now, we feel that the Barony and its Canton is in a pretty good place, socially, politically and financially. There is a high level of cooperation and tolerance among the diverse members when things need to be done. We have an excellent mix of experience, with Peers in all the Orders (including our Master of Defense, Ambrose von Pasau), many members holding Grants of Arms and Awards of Arms and enthusiastic new members and youth.

This is a trend we hope to continue and enhance. To this end, we will work to provide another pair of lines of communication among the Baronial Membership. Both of us are known for discretion with sensitive information and problem resolution. We want to work to keep the experienced members of our Barony and its Canton engaged in the group and the Society, assist in recruitment and retention of new members and encourage growth among all our members. This growth may not be necessarily using the Awards System, but will likely also include adding to the mix of skills a member has and uses.

We feel the High Seat should at least annually visit each of the guilds, practices and workshops that occur over the course of a Baronial month. These visits would include the Canton. They are another opportunity to provide communication and information for members that would otherwise not be able to meet with Nobility. We also feel that a Baronial Presence is important at demos.

We want to keep up the Moots that are held over the course of the year in our Barony and its Canton. We now have solid traditional Moots at Yule, That Moot Thingy and May Day. We want to strengthen the tradition of a Harvest Moot and make it a fixture in the Baronial year.

As Nikolaus's favorite saying goes, "The only dumb question is the one you didn't ask." Questions are expected and welcome. Please ask. We'll answer.

# Lol: Matthias and Fiona

## Matthias of Rolling Oaks and Fiona the Younger

Greetings Your Royal Majesties King Tom II and Queen Sigrid II, Your Royal Highnesses, Your Excellency Baron Robert the Stout, and THL Rhys ap Owein ap Gwyn Seneschal of Barony of Jararvellir,

We, THL Matthias of Rolling Oaks, Protégé to Her Excellency Greta Rahikkainen OP and THL Fiona the Younger wish to submit our letter of intent and resumes for Baron and Baroness of Jararvellir. It is our hope to bring a fresh new perspective to the High Seats, to foster unity within the Barony of Jararvellir, the Canton of Coille Stoirmeil, and to create and maintain relationships Kingdom wide. We see that this is possible with our vast array of friends throughout the Known World, being able to draw on our SCA and modern world experience, and added along with a dash or two of “schtick” to lighten the hearts and minds of the Populace where and when appropriate!

Some of our promises to you, the Barony of Jararvellir, and The Barony’s populace if we are chosen for the High Seats of Jararvellir:

First of all, “If it isn’t broke, we do not intend to try and fix it!”

We will be available to any member of the populace, whether face to face or via electronic means, to listen to whatever is on their mind. One or both of us will attend EVERY event within the Barony and Canton and when we can, represent the Barony of Jararvellir throughout the Kingdom and beyond.

We will support not only the various Guilds and groups within the Barony and Canton, but also the individual members to the very best of our abilities. In with this, we will try to attend meeting and gathering for the various Guilds and groups within the Barony and Canton so we can experience what they are about.

If chosen for the High Seats of Jararvellir, we both will consider it an honor and privilege to serve.

Thank you for your consideration,

THL Matthias of Rolling Oaks, Protégé to Her Excellency Greta Rahikkainen OP

THL Fiona the Younger

### SCA Experience – THL Fiona the Younger

**March 1998** Went to my first ever event, Haire Affaire

**Jan. 2004** Moved to Jararvellir

**Jan. 29, 2005** Became a warranted Chirurgeon at Nordskogen’s Twelfth Night

**Oct. 2005-Jan. 2011** Baronial Chirurgeon for Jararvellir

**Oct. 2005-Oct. 2007** Baronial Exchequer for Jararvellir

**April 2008-Jan. 2011** Regional Chirurgeon for MN, WI, Ontario & the UP

**Jan. 2009-Jan. 2011** Emergency Kingdome of Northshield Chirurgeon

**Jan. 2011-Jan. 2013** Kingdom of Northshield Chirurgeon

**Jan. 2013-Present** Emergency Kingdome of Northshield Chirurgeon

**Various Dates** I was the CIC for many events including: many Warriors and Warlords, Poor Man's Pennsics, That Moot Thingies, Crown Tournaments, Coronations, and many other events. I helped with setups and teardowns of many events including several Warriors and Warlords and That Moot Thingies. I have also done various other services for the Kingdom of Northshield such as doing gate, security, and tee-shirt/ice sales at many events.

## **SCA Awards**

**Barony Awards:** Barony of Jararvellir: The Order of the Pisces, Liaison Poisson, Wellspring, and The Order of the Golden Scales

**Kingdom of Northshield:** Award of Arms, Cygnus, and Hand of Tyr (Order of Tyr)

## **Education**

**May 2010 Associate Degree in Applied Science**, Madison Area Technical College, Madison, WI

Clinical Laboratory Technician Program Eligible for MLT(ASCP) June 2010

GPA: 3.405/4.0

**May 2004 Technical Diploma**, Madison Area Technical College, Madison, WI

Certified Nursing Assistant License # 274640 Inclusion Date: 03/22/2004

Expiration Date: 03/22/2012

GPA: 4.0/4.0

## **Clinical Experience**

**April-May 2010 Clinical Laboratory Technician Clinical Experience**, St. Mary's Hospital

Madison, WI

Performed types, screens, cross matches, HDN workups, and FMB workups.

**Jan.-April 2010 Clinical Laboratory Technician Clinical Experience**, Dean Health, Madison, WI

Performed phlebotomy, urinalysis, occult blood, routine hematology, and chemical analysis. Set up cultures and antibiotic sensitivities, read culture plates, and did rapid testing.

## **Experience**

**Sep. 2010-Present Medical Laboratory Technician**, Dean Health, Madison, WI

Duties include: perform phlebotomy, urinalysis, occult blood, routine hematology, set up cultures, rapid testing, running the lab, and perform billing.

**Aug. 2008-Dec. 2010 Customer Service Representative**, Madison Area Technical College Welcome Center, Madison, WI

Duties include: answered questions from students, staff, and visitors; answered phone calls; issued students their OneCards and bus passes; handled parking information; took payments for tuition, meal plans, and parking permits.

**April 2004-Sep. 2010 Certified Nurse's Assistant**, Midwest Home Care, Madison, WI

Duties include: companionship, housekeeping, assist with physical therapy regimens; check and record client's vital signs; assist with all aspects of daily living activities including medication, catheterization, meal preparation, and orientation; and communication with client, client's family, and other caregivers about the client's care.

**May 1998-Jan. 2004 Assistant Manager**, Hot N Now Hamburgers, Wisconsin Rapids, WI

Duties include: opened and closed store and did daily paperwork; did weekly supply orders; prepared schedule for all employees; did employee evaluations; helped with interview process; handled customer complaints; did bank runs; took customer orders, collected money, prepared customer orders, and bagged customer orders.

## **Awards**

**Dean's List** – Honors Fall 2008 and Spring 2010

**William T. Evjue Foundation Scholarship** Fall 2008

**Doctor Family Scholarship** Fall 2009 and Spring 2010

**Way To Go Single Parents Scholarship** Fall 2008, Spring 2009, Fall 2009, and Spring 2010

## **Special Interests**

Society for Creative Anachronism, Kumihimo, archery, target shooting, reading, board games, and photography

## **SCA Experience – THL Matthias of Rolling Oaks**

THL Matthias of Rolling Oaks started his SCA career in the mid 1990's at an anniversary of the Mid Realm, where he was handed his persona "on a silver platter" by Thorbjorn Greysides and Therica. If you haven't heard the story-ask Matthias! He'll gladly tell you!

Started in the Proto-incipient Canton of Cascade de Pierre Rouge (Montello), and have been in the Canton of Coille Stoirmeil since 1997.

Matthias has served the Canton as Seneschal, Herald, and Event Steward multiple times. Has been a part of the WW event staff since WW V. He is Protégé to Her Excellency Greta Rahikkainen OP Matthias has received the following awards: Baronial Awards: Wellspring, Pisces, and Golden Scales Kingdom Awards: AoA, Purple Fret (2), Cygnus, and Hand of Tyr (Order of Tyr).

Matthew Schwall has been a Service Writer at the same small, family owned used car and light truck sales and repair facility for over 15 years. Prior to that he owned and operated his own limousine service for over 10 years, starting with one, and having built up to three when he closed the business.

# Lol: Rhys and Gwen

## **Rhys ap Owein ap and Gwenhwyvar verch Owen ap Morgan**

Unto the Barony of Jararvellir, warmest greetings from the Honorable Lord Rhys ap Owein ap Gwyn and the Honorable Lady Gwenhwyvar verch Owen ap Morgan! We wish to put ourselves forward as candidates for Baron and Baroness and wish for this missive to be considered our Letter of Intent. We both love being active members of this fine Barony and want to commit to helping make it even stronger. As we were inducted together into the Order of the Pisces, we will serve the Barony together.

Gwen has been a member of Jararvellir since 1997 and has participated in many aspects of the SCA scribal arts, rapier combat, costuming, embroidery, archery, and armored combat. She served as the Principality Webminster, Branch Chatelaine, Kingdom Social Media Officer and has been assistant to other officers and autocrats over the years. She holds the awards of a Black Flame, Griffin and Sword, Cygnus and she is a member of the Order of Brigits Flame and the Order of the Hand of Tyr. She also hold the award of the Willow and a Purple Fret from Middle Kingdom. She finds that spending time with the people of her Barony and sharing that experience with her kids to be the best kind of joy. Her two boys, Jonathan and Michael are both active in the Barony and hold the awards of the Compass and the Bellerophon.

Rhys has been attending events since 2005 but became significantly more active in starting in 2009. He has served as the Barony's Seneschal and is a warranted armored marshal. He participates in archery, armored combat, armoring and shield making. He runs GreyCat Armory and freely shares his space, tools and resources with the Barony. He holds the awards of the Cygnus, Black Flame and Griffin and Sword and is a member of the Order of the Hand of Tyr and Black Griffin. Rhys enjoys helping out wherever his talents and resources are useful, whether it be helping to haul things, working as an extra pair of hands to setup or take down a site, brainstorming ideas to improve the performance of the showers at Warriors and Warlords, assisting in armor repairs, bardic appreciation, and more. He also enjoys learning and participating in new things as well as sharing his talents and resources and teaching others what he knows.

We aspire to be an asset to this Barony and to see it grow and thrive. Some of the items we wish to work on are:

- Recruiting and retention of more new members (especially from the UW students) through advertising, demos and outreach to specific majors such as History and Theatrical Costumes.
- Working with the populace to make business meeting more accessible to the populace in hopes of encouraging more participation.
- Help the guilds to stay active and involved by working with their members and volunteering our own home or work studios for meeting space. Our studio space is has tools for leather, metal, wood and fabric.

Both of us are fully aware that there is great deal of responsibility that comes with being Baron and Baroness and are willing to fully commit to dedicating our time, effort and energy to the positions. We also love to travel and already attend many different types of events all over the the Kingdom. We will still be participating in Crown Tournament for the Kingdom and will follow the rules laid out in Corpora and Northshield Law if we chance to win. We would support the appointment of a Vicar to aid the Barony during our reign.

If chosen, we would take our role as the welcoming face of the Barony of Jararvellir seriously, but always with a smile and a friendly word. This land is full of talented people that give so freely of themselves, and we would be honored to represent them, to work for them, and to keep our home strong and solid.

In Service to Crown, Kingdom and Barony, Rhys and Gwen.

Honorable Lady Gwenhwyvar verch Owen ap Morgan

Honorable Lord Rhys ap Owein ap Gwyn

# **Lol: Robert and Leona**

## **Don Robert Talbot and Dona Leona Talbot**

Unto The Seneschal, Baron and people of Jararvellir do Don Robert Talbot (MKA Justin Flatt) and Dona Leona Talbot (MKA Sara Then) extend warmest greetings:

This letter shall serve as our letter of intent to run for Baron and Baroness of Jararvellir. Many of you may know us, many may not. It is our intent to make this also our introduction to those of you who may not know us.

Robert Talbot started in the SCA in 1996 by a friend who listened in on him describing his experience at the Bristol Renaissance Faire, which he'd first been to that summer. His first event was a dance moot in Falcon's Keep. From there, he attended any event he could, ranging from Northshield Dance Academy to Fighter School to small household gatherings of friends. Eventually he moved to the East Kingdom, where his interest in fencing blossomed. He earned his first Authorization in 2000 at an event in Concordia of the Snows. This love of rapier followed him back to Northshield when he returned the following year. Through the years he's been autocrat, champion, tailor, fighter, courtier, and an officer of Barony and kingdom alike.

Leona Talbot had a modest start to her SCA career, at a small, friendly gathering at Elspeth O'Leary's house in 2002. From this humble Windhaven gathering, her SCA career ballooned. Besides being an accomplished rapier combatant, Leona also enjoys the A&S side of the Society. She is a seamstress, a glass etcher, silk banner painter and potter. Her interest in heraldry bit her early, and she served Windhaven as their Baronial herald, and still maintains her Herald-at-Large status. She served Jaravellir as Baronial chronicler. She is starting to test the waters of teaching in an A&S context.

While we feel that perhaps no one is properly qualified the first time they sit a high seat, whether baronial or kingdom, we feel our rich experiences both of our own and peripherally through our friends in the society will stand us in good stead on the Fishy Thrones.

As we consider the things we'd do as Baron and Baroness, we came back to a theme our last time we ran, and that is to foster is people's secondary hobbies. As we look around our very talent rich Barony, we see so many people good at so many things and recognized mostly for their first love. Whether you're an accomplished scribe who happens to shoot a good round of archery, or a fighter who also made all of that very impressive garb you're wearing, we want to see these other talents get a chance in the spotlight.

Finally, while it's important to grow our Barony, we mustn't forget the baronies around us. In our early years, we travelled from Windhaven to Jararvellir and other surrounding groups to learn and grow as members of the Society. We feel that in these recent difficult times that such travel has become difficult for people, to the detriment of all. We want to focus on some ways of getting back to that place of a larger kingdom community.

We've seen firsthand how demanding the job of Baron and Baroness are. We're fully prepared to dedicate the time and effort necessary to being the face of the Barony to the Kingdom, and to the Known World. We have come to love Jararvellir as our home. We welcome this opportunity to give back to our beloved Barony some of what was invested in us.



Your servants, for Crown and Barony,

Robert and Leona

Don Robert Talbot, O.W.S.N.S., Q.G., A.O.C.

Dona Lady Leona Talbot, O.W.S.N.S., Q.G., A.O.C.

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# BARONIAL MEETINGS, ACTIVITIES, AND CONTACTS

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**Please call the contact person to verify when & where an activity is held!**

**Archery Practice** Sun. 12-2PM, Wed. 6:30-8PM. UW Stock Pavilion Contact: Aoifé Cnó Capaill (Gretchen Tischer)  
archery\_captain@jararvellir.org

**Armoured Combat** Sun. Noon UW Stock Pavilion; Wed. 6:30-9PM, UW Stock Pavilion Contact: Svein Tunheim (Alec Tunheim)  
608.216.4219, please no calls after 10pm, knight\_marshall@jararvellir.org

**Armor making** By prior arrangement, please contact Giles. 3314 Ridgeway Avenue Contact: Master Giles (Ed Gilbert)  
608.244.2845, horsebows@gmail.com

**Bardic Night** Second Fri. of the Month. Jose's house (e-mail or call for directions) Contact: Jose São Pacian (Stephen Rodrigues-Pavao) 608.217.5096, ltopera@yahoo.com

**Brewing & Vintning** Various locations (call for info) Contact: Robert the Stout (Robert Trefz) 608.441.6150,  
rtrefz@tds.net

**Calligraphy & Illumination** Tues. 7PM. Call for location. Contact: Lady Eile (Alicia Cronk) 608.244.9054,  
leleth.faery@yahoo.com;

**Clothier's Guild** Thurs. evenings, bi-monthly. Meetings held at rotating sites of member's homes. Contact: Jois Corbet  
(Deena Patterson) 608.838.4092, corvusjoyous@gmail.com

**Cordial Guild** Contact: Lady Cianna Kharleen (Carrie Wilkey) 608.220.1947, ciannakharleen@teadame.com

**Equestrian** (not currently active but information available) Contact: Alissende de Montfaucon (Tammy Thompson)  
608.212.5433, alissende@centurytel.net

**Fletching** Fri. 6:30PM 5418 Imagine Street Madison, WI 53718 Contact: Lord Toussaint de Caluwe (Tyson Patterson)  
608.838.4092

**Fool's Guild** Contact: Lady Sarah T Foole (Sarah Bloy) 608.215.1407, berserker.prime@gmail.com

**General Business Meeting** Usually 1st Sun., 7PM, Edgewood College, Predolin Hall — call to verify meeting date and  
location. Contact: Rhys ap Owein ap Gwyn (Jeff Peterson) 608.345.8617, barony\_seneschal@jararvellir.org

**Instrumental Music** Mon. 7PM-Beginners, 8PM-Advanced. Call for location. Contact: Lord Nikolaus der Ausländer (Clint Hotaling) 608.846.0859, n\_auslander@hotmail.com

**Jewelry Guild** Second Tues. of the month or by apt, 5:30PM. Call for location. Contact: Gerald Loosehelm  
[loosehelm@yahoo.com](mailto:loosehelm@yahoo.com)

**Middle Eastern Dance and Drumming** Contact Lady Kenya for information.  
Contact: Lady Kenya (Heather Cushing) 608.203.5739, onlyinkkenya@charter.net

**Needle arts** Tues. 7:30PM. Call for location. Contact: Lady Helena Caxton (Sara Andrews) 608.957.2392,

helenacaxton@gmail.com

**Pottery Guild** Contact Annora for information. Contact: Annora (Wendy Nelson) 608.438.6530, wendybyrd42@yahoo.com

**Rapier Practice** Wed. 6:30-9PM, UW Stock Pavilion Contact: Ambrose von Pasau (Ambrose Paust) 608.523.1119 calls after 9:00PM please leave a voicemail with your name and number, rapier\_marshall@jararvellir.org

**Social Practice** Wed. 9PMish. Call to verify location. Contact: Mistress Eithni (Jean Hetzel) 608.628.7782

**Stock Pavilion** Liason Contact: Sol (Chris Reyes) sol@taifa.info

**Thrown Weapons** Scheduled Sun. 2PM. UW Stock Pavilion. Contact: Lord Toussaint de Caluwe (Tyson Patterson) 608.838.4092

**Vocal Music** Contact Sarah for more information. Contact: Lady Sarah T Foole (Sarah Bloy) 608.215.1407, berserker.prime@gmail.com

**Youth Boffer Combat Practice** Wed. 6:30PM, UW Stock Pavilion Contact: Jack Flanders (David Hall) 608.658.5802, jbf@pobox.com

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## **Monthly Meeting:**

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