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## Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 02/18/2026

Started At: 7:04 pm

Attended: Seneschal, Exchequer, Herald, Deputy Herald, Knights Marshal, MoL, Chatelain, Deputy Chatelain, Baroness and Baron, Web Minister Deputy, Exchequer, members of the populace.

### Officer Reports

**Chatelain:** It was great to see so many friends and soon to be friends at BHBB. I saw that there were several newcomers that arrived that were taken care of so diligently by the people that invited them. I look forward to seeing their faces more in the coming months as the weather softens.

We have news of upcoming demos, though not as many as we scrambled through in the past year. The first of these coming the early part of May and being the May Day Faerie Festival at Rocky Point Park in Baltimore on May 2nd and 3rd. The details of the demo being handled by Monke/mka Mike Hume. There will be postings of this demo on FB to include requests for some assistance on both the combat field and in the area of A&S.

Our larger demo held the week after Pennsic in August, is in full planning mode. The organizers are looking to continue on the path of a more immersive edutainment experience for family fun and recruitment. Edutainment on their part, recruitment on ours. More on that next meeting.

Finally, we have not heard from our host at Royal Rabbit as of this time, but we have historically celebrated spring with them in a fun and relaxed demo atmosphere. If something does come across, I will be certain to email the group right away.

In other news, Lady Rebekkah Samuel, has agreed to become my Deputy Chatelain with the intent to take over the position when my warrant expires in June. I look forward to working with her and Mistress Barbara in the coming months in preparations for making the shift.

**Chronicler:** I am planning to stay on with Brigit as my deputy until she can get warranted.

**Exchequer:** I sat in on a webinar for financial reporting. Got receipts from Feast, pending royal room receipts. Report expected to be finished next week. Reviewing baronial financial policy to Kingdom financial policy. Schedule inventory for the baronage.

**Herald:** The Herald's office was officially transferred from William Ringlancer of Locksley to Deirdre O'Bardon during morning court at Baronial Birthday. My first official Court Report was filed on Sunday.

Both Triton and I were contacted by Lady Elyzabeth Morgan about becoming a herald. She has already filed the

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paperwork to become a herald at large and plans to get with me to learn more about expectations for court heraldry. Additionally, I understand from Baron William that 2 other gentles are interested in becoming court heralds.

I have nothing further to report.

**Knights Marshal:** Hello it is that time again. We have not held a fighter practice since our last meeting, due to weather so really have nothing new to report other than it was nice seeing many of you at the Baronial Birthday. Our next scheduled practice at Bowman is on the calendar for Sunday February 22. Please Keep an eye on the calendar on Bright Hills' website for updates.

**Target Archery Marshal (TAM):** The fighter practice scheduled for 2/22 (this Sunday) may need to be rescheduled since the Bowmen rescheduled their 3D shoot for that date as long as the snow is melted enough by then.

**MoAS:** It was great to see everyone at Bright Hills Birthday/Investiture earlier this month. We had six artisans display their work in the Display Only category, and four artisans enter into the Bright Hills A&S championship run by outgoing A&S champion, Michael Russ (Michael Russel). The four entrants to the competition were Lady Sindara Lind Rachael Fessel of the Falconshield (Sharon Saroff) with a reproduction roman necklace, Lady Eadgyth the Archer (Erin Markel) with an 11th Century Mozarab woman's outfit, Baron Fergus of Hanna (Erik Knibb) with a set of chainmaille largess items, and Erasmus Taylor (Kevin King) with a Pilgrim Cape. Erasmus Taylor won the competition, and has agreed to act as Bright Hills Arts and Sciences champion for the next year.

We also had a very well attended Bardic bearpit with 11 participants (one of the biggest bearpits in the last few years!). Lady Harper An Cu was the last Bard standing.

The Bright hills Cooks guild knocked it out of the park with a Roman-themed 3 course feast that was enjoyed by all. The Guild met for a precook session at Mistress Wynne's home on Sunday, 2/1/2026 to prepare for the event. As of this moment, the Bright Hills Cooks Guild is our only active, regularly-meeting guild group.

As for individual A&S efforts in the Barony:

- Baron Heinrich Kreiner continues to work on the three pieces of armor he displayed at Birthday
- Baroness Wanda Ostojowna is working on largess for both Barony and Kingdom
- Lady Sindara Lind Rachael Fessel of the Falconshield completed a Turkish Hat, and is researching Persian costume/headpieces
- Rebekkah Samuel is making quilling trinket boxes for largess
- Baron William Ringlancer made belts for himself and the Baroness, as well as a baton of office for the Northern March baronial Herald office. He is researching period shield making, turnshoes, and the use of whalebone (baleen)

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in armor construction.

- Outgoing A&S champion, Michael Russ ran the Baronial Championship competition and display table at Birthday
- Anna MacKenzie participated in the Bardic Bearpit at Birthday (and was one of the finalists), and is introducing her son to bardic music in preparation for the Performer's Revel in March.
- Dame Alexandra Wright worked on scrolls for Birthday, and took a jewelry class that was taught by Baroness Glynis
- Ann Marie Decker (unsure of SCA name) made a reproduction of the Tarim Baret for a friend's elevation, and is preparing a presentation for MEDATS
- Anna of Bright Hill drafted the patterns for the Investiture garb for the incoming Baronage, and made herself a new linen shift
- Baroness Celeste Drinkwater sewed her garb for the investiture, and made the cording for her kirtle using Kumihimo
- Tatiana Ivanova of Birchwood keep is out of commission at the moment due to impending surgeries, but is looking forward to getting back to sewing once she is able
- I made wooden pattons for my partner, and am currently struggling with drafting sleeves for a cote that I am making for myself.

I have been talking with some of the other MAOS in the area that have successful, regular A&S activities for their baronies in the hopes of implementing some of their strategies for Bright hills. I am putting together a list of people who would be willing to teach classes in the hopes of having at least a once-a-month class or activity. My hope is that I can schedule one zoom class, and one in-person class per month. To that end, I am exploring some venue options for the in-person classes, such as the craft shop mentioned by the Baron and Baroness in Reisterstown, and possibly local libraries that have conference rooms/community spaces. The Carroll County library specifically has a maker space (Explorer Commons) that might be a really great option. I am waiting to hear back from their coordinator.

My partner, Zach, also works for Loyola Notre Dame library, and they have expressed interest in putting together some art/activity classes for the students. I am considering teaching some basic illumination, or other small craft. This would probably be more in line with a demo than a class, since it would be geared toward enrolled college students instead of Barony members, but they would be willing to allow me to put out some information about the SCA/Bright hills, and it might be a great way to generate some local interest.

**MoL:** Nothing to report from the last month.

**Web Minister:** I received Faolan's message. Will add Faolan to the officers email list. Added their Excellencies photos and updated the contact on the webpage. They need to get the password from the previous Baron and Baroness to access the baronage gmail pages. Still seeking someone to take over the Webminister Position. Tatsumei said she would

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help rebuild the website, but would be unable to take over the position long term.

**Seneschal:** Reminds any new officers to go to the kingdom website to become familiar with the policies, and also to get warranted.

**Baronage:** Thanks everyone for birthday. Baron wanted to touch base about Baronial Arts Competition at KAS. Coronation theme is pilgrimage and each barony is going to have a display. Confirms that they will be at coronation, and they are looking for someone to “step up” and take the lead for the display. Continue discussion on the group page. Jeanne says to reach out to Barb for the information. Wants to arrange a pick up for any baronial inventory. I wanted to share the events they are going to.

- Kingdom Arts and Science
- Defending the gate
- Coronation
- Revenge of the Stitch
- Storvik Novice
- Gem Joust

Will have that submitted to the Chronicler. Needs to do email transfers. Kaloch offered the use of his vehicle. Baroness just came back from the crochet and knitting club from a bookshop. 25\$ an hour. Can house about 20 people. In Reisterstown. At the junction of route 30 and 130. Across the street from Royal Farms.

## Baronial Events, Gatherings and Activities

Baronial Birthday: Baronial Birthday was a huge hit! Thank you for your support, trust, and volunteering. Livi was the merchant wrangler. We had some newcomers, including one that helped in the kitchen. Feast was well received and we received help with clean up after the event!

Trial By Fire: Master Lewin has volunteered to autocrat. It will be his first time autocratting. Faolan asked if there is anything for Arts and Sciences. If there are themes, etc. Lewin would like to do archery, and potentially do fighting. Brigit suggested rapier fighting, which Lewin confirmed there will be rapier activity. Kalloch volunteered to do Youth Combat as well. Rebecca can do siege authorizations. Faolan asked Deirdre if she would be willing to do the Baronial Bardic at Trial By Fire, and she confirmed she can. We are looking at the weekend of September 25th, but we need to confirm with the Baltimore Bowman and also submit the paperwork to Kingdom.

Royal Archer: Chris LeStrange would like to know details about exchequer specifics. Tax ID numbers needed from the Kingdom. Chris said that the quote includes taxes and built the budget around the total. Exchequer prefers more than

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less to be built in and requested. Chris asked when the portapotty and site contract is needed. Exchequer says before they need to submit payment. Chris requested storage space for the targets. Darby confirmed that we are able to store the targets.

## New Business

Missing pictures from previous baronages. Looking for pictures to update the previous baronages. Missing Graham and Freydis, and William and Celeste. Requesting a different day, as opposed to the 3rd Wednesday of the month. Asking for the 4th Wednesday. Passes.

**Next Meeting:** 25th of March, 2026.

**Meeting adjourned:** 8:01 pm

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## Upcoming Baronial Activities & Events

Bright Hills Archery Practice: March 8th | 1-3pm | Baltimore Bowman, Glen Arm, MD

Archery Shed Clean out and Gathering: March 22nd | 10 am-? | Baltimore Bowman, Glen Arm, MD | *Details pending*

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## Electronic Connection

The Baronial website is available at: <http://brighthills.atlantia.sca.org/>

The baronial Facebook page is located at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/brighthills/>

The Yeoman On-Line <http://brighthills.atlantia.sca.org/yeoman/yeoman.html>

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