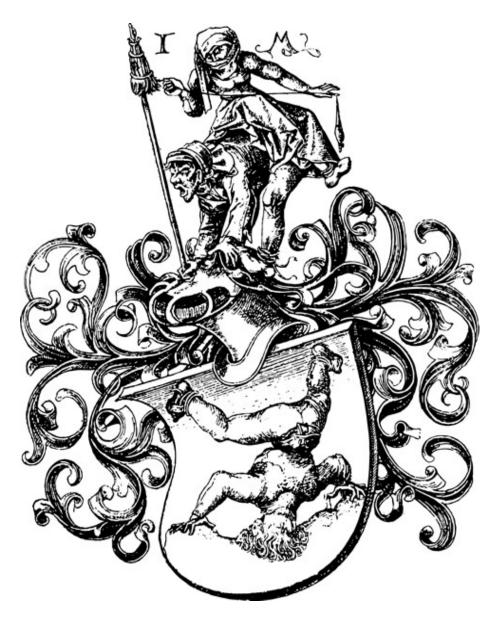


# The Cataract

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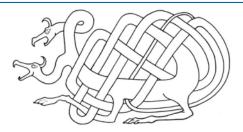
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#### Baron & Baroness

Greetings to the people of Rising Waters.

We hope the New Year finds you well. We look forward to seeing you all at Twelfth Night in January.

Word has come to us that Murder Melee will be practically at our backdoor in June. We hope this allows more Barony members to attend and enjoy all this fun event has to offer.

Thank you so much to Baroness Rosalinda for becoming our new Baronial Quartermaster. This is a big job; please be sure to lend your support to her as she requires it.

Thank you to Lady Sciath [pronounced SKY-a] for picking up the mantle of Baronial Herald. We look forward to working with you in the future. Lord Dmitiri, we will miss you, and we thank you for your many years of service as Baronial Herald.

Brightest Blessings to You and Yours in the New Year,

Richard and Annabelle

#### Seneschal

Warmest greetings to all who read this.

Winter's blanket of snow covers all outside, and as we sit warm by our hearths and tend to the myriad of small winter tasks, we take this time to reflect on the year that was and plan for the year ahead. This past year has seen much change for many of us – for some small changes, for others huge, life-altering changes. For some, these changes have been welcome ones, full of challenge and promise - for others, not so much. Regardless, we all stand now upon the threshold of a new year and despite lean times ahead, we can all look forward to the coming of spring with its promise of new life. Come what may, keep each other safe in the long winter nights ahead. Keep family and friends close. May your new year be filled with prosperity and know that whatever new challenges arise, you never need face them alone.

In service to Rising Waters.

Valdr

#### Chatelaine

Joyous Greetings to One and All:

For the New Year I would challenge you all to bring a friend to at least one event. Spread the fun of our Barony far and wide. Thank you for a great year past ,and I look forward to the New Year with you all.

YIS. Annabelle

#### Chronicler

As I write in the waning days of the mundane year of 2012, I see blue sky out my window and the wintry result of this, Rising Water's first real snow-fall. I hope everyone has shovelled out by now, and has recovered from the sharing of merriment, gifts and the various forms of the seasonal plague.

I will be submitting my Domesday report as soon as I finish putting this issue together.

The next issue of this newsletter will perforce be my last, unless my real-world situation improves quickly. If you are at all interested in becoming the Chronicler, please notify me ASAP. My contact information is on the Baronial Officium page.

Ariadne

#### Arts & Sciences

Good Gentles:

Work scheduling has changed, and there will be <u>no</u>evening A&S nights for the next several months. The January 13th A&S Day is still on, so come on over, if only for part of the day.

Please send me your summaries of what you have been doing in the area of Arts and Sciences over the past months. My report is due.

Mssaria

#### Herald

Greetings and salutations,

As mentioned in my last letter, I will be stepping down as the Baronial pursuivant at Twelfth Night. I would like to thank everyone who has helped me over the years in that role. I will remain a pursuivant-at-large providing the College does not disown me. So I will continue to lend my voice and what knowledge I have where I can. I would like to offer my grateful thanks to the Honourable Lady Sciath ingen Chauig for being willing to take on the office. My rest will be short, though, as I will also be taking on the office of Baronial Marshal at Twelfth Night. I would like to thank His Excellency for his efforts as our Marshal over the last years. I will be continuing to work on finding us a new site so that we can get some fight practices in over the winter.

Until later,

Dmitri

#### Minutes of the Meeting (and some updates)

A summary of the meeting of November 25, 2012, held at the home of Baroness Rosalinda. 10 were in attendance.

- Baron/baroness: There was a discussion of whether it would do any good at all to complain to City Hall about the chronically broken wheelchair lift at the Merritton Community Centre site.
  - There were a number of complaints about the way the lunch table was run at the recent Crown Tourney. It was decided that lunch table bids should be part of the original event bid, and should include categories of foods (if not a specific menu), portion sizes, and pricing. Pop and water sales should be separate from the lunch table.
- Lady Gema has volunteered to revise the on-line autocrat/event steward checklist.
- Exchequer: The signing authorities have been changed or renewed, except for Baron Valdr and the Kingdom Exchequer.

- To solve some of the feast reservation problems and avoid overselling feast spots, we need a standardized check-list so anyone working troll knows who is comped and who has paid.
- All reservations for any Rising Waters event should go through RisingWaters Reservations @ gmail.com. All the previous addresses should be deleted. They are mostly spammed anyway.
- Arts & Sciences: There has not been good attendance at the A&S nights, or the full-day seminars. Baronesses Annabelle and Ariadne are the only attendees, as a general rule. Part One of the Gothic fitted dress was a success, and the above-mentioned baronesses can now be of some help in any future fittings.
  - We have banners that need repairs, and badges need to be put onto the child-minder sashes.
  - Baroness Liadin made beautiful prizes for Kingdom A&S on our behalf.
  - ◊ Everyone is encouraged to submit something at A&S next year.
- Marshallate: Lord Dmitri is assuming the office of Heavy Weapons Marshal. Thanks go to Baron Richard for his good work and enthusiasm in that post.
  - There is a possibility that Count Malik might be able to get a space in Stony Creek for fight practices and perhaps archery. There is no word yet on the availability of the Lake Street Armoury.
  - Baron Reynard has not had much luck with contacting Bob Mackie about archery. However, it seems that Thursday nights are for traditional archery. For more information, go to http://mackiesarchery.com/
- Lord Dmitri is resigning as Baronial Herald after many years of faithful service. Lady Sciath will assume that office.
  - Kingdom wants the Ealdormere heralds to have a more uniform look. Sciath has sent in sketches for the new Rising Waters tabard and they have been approved, so she has started making one.
  - Baron Valdr's name change is pending, and Lady Ysabeau needs to know the status of her submission.
- Lady Gema is taking over again as Minister of Children. There is a colour-your-own castle at Giant Tiger that would make a good addition to the inventory. Gema's mundane name will be reverting to Immel imminently.
- Chatelaine: The Facebook Rising Waters page is very useful for newcomers. There is also a new Society Facebook page, and a Society A&S page.
  - There is a Wiki for the Kingdom of Ealdormere, with a page for our Barony. It is quite blank, and we encourage gentles to start

adding information about the Barony, a description of who we are now and where we have been (history). In a Wiki, anyone can contribute to the site. That being said, please be respectful about what you post and ideally have citations for.

http://ealdormere.ca/wiki/index.php?title=Rising\_Waters

- Seneschal: To encourage the good gentles of the barony to come out for more than the occasional event, and to help everyone get (re-) aquainted, we should have a series of social nights. The problem has been to find a space. Zehr's Superstore turns out to be too expensive, as do several restaurants. However, Lady Rois has offered the use of her new art studio in Fonthill. BYOChairs. And games. And snacks. Schedule TBD.
- We also need a venue for a Town Hall meeting in the spring. The meeting was adjourned by 4:30.

#### From the Society and Kingdom

"At the Dec 4th, 2012, conference call, the following Board action was taken: Motion by Tim Jennings to approve the following change to Corpora IV.B.1, effective imediately:

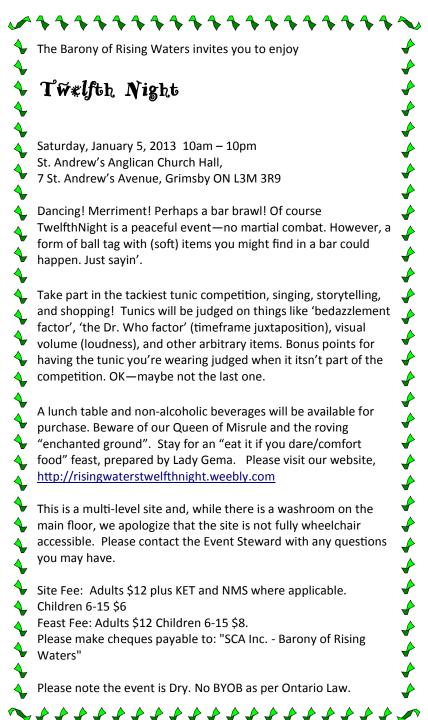
Each competitor in a Royal List must be fighting for a prospective consort of the opposite sex unless the Crown has elected to permit a competitor to fight for a prospective consort of the same sex.

Motion carried.

Crowns now have the ability to accept entrance into their Lists by any and all pairs acceptable to the Crown. As the saying goes, "With great power comes great responsibility." With this change, the Board places its trust in the Crowns, both current and future, to use this tool in a manner that best meets not only the wants and the needs of Their kingdoms and populace, but the Society as a whole."

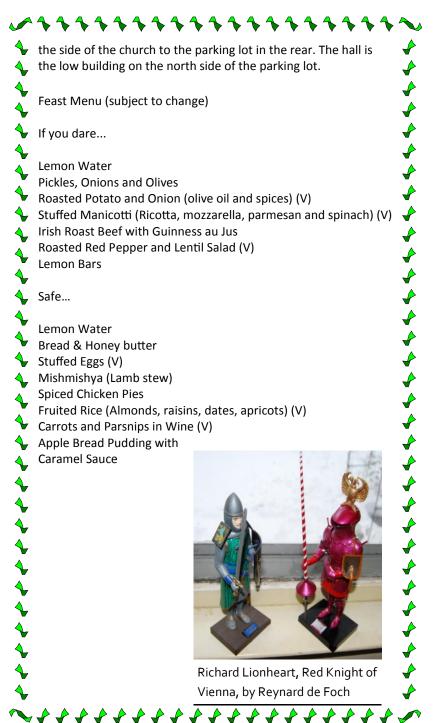
"Should a potential site request 'proof of insurance', please send a request for the general certificate to the Kingdom Seneschal. If, after presenting the general certificate, the site owner requests a named evidence certificate (where the site is specifically named on the proof of insurance), you must inform the site that obtaining that certificate will take anywhere from 7 to 30 days, as payment has to be sent to the head office and then to the insurance company to obtain the evidence certificate. If at that time the site owner still requires a named evidence certificate, you will be required to request the certificate from the Society head office, and required to pay the appropriate fees to obtain the certificate.

Moria [Kingdom Seneschal]"



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	Hamilton-bound on the QEW: Leave the highway at Exit 71
	(Christie/Ontario/Maple). Cross Maple Avenue and Ontario Street
	turn left onto Christie Street and cross over the highway
	From the lights at the top of the off-ramp on the sourth side of
	the QEW, proceed through the lights a the South Service Road and
	continue down the hill to the lights at Main Street. Cross Main
	Street and proceed to the lights at Elm Street. Turn right onto Elm
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A&S Champion: Lady Chiara Stella (Pasqua Terrone)

No calls before 9 a.m. or after 9 p.m. unless by previous arrangement.

