

La Fontaine des
Nouvelles

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Fontaine dans Sable

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Their Excellencies, Qara Gan and Ceara

Baronial Retinue

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Argent Warder

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Lady Lasairfhiona inghean an Sheanchaidhe

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Lord Robert Moffat

Baronial Retinue

Continued

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THL Evain MacRae

Quartermistress
Lady Anna Katherine von Teltge

Baronial Guard
Lord Anthony Fantino
Lord Seamus Able Johnstone
Lord Lingorm
Lord Dogan An Pot Aire
Lord Soren

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Lord Arslan Batujin Cherbe
Lady Lasairfhiona inghean an Sheanchaidhe
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Greetings unto the amazing populace of Fontaine,

We would once again like to thank TRM for allowing our faire barony to host their Spring Crown Tournament. By right of arms, heirs have been chosen. Congratulations to Their Royal Highnesses, Maelgwn and Sabine. We would like to thank the populace of the barony for all the hard work you have done and the hospitality you extended to the kingdom. Her Ladyship Anna and all her event coordinators did an upstanding job. Hazzah!

The Barony of Al Barran is hosting Sworded Affaire. We charge all rapier fighters to travel to our neighboring barony. Let Fontaine go forth and show them our influence. The following weekend is Kingdom A and S. Once again lets show this kingdom what a well-rounded populace we are.

We serve, we fight, and we are artisans.

*Qara Gan and Ceara
Baron and Baroness of Fontaine*

Greetings One and All,

Come check out the information for the grandest rapier event in the Outlands, Sworded Affaire

Hosted By the Barony of al-Barran

April 4th, 2009

Site Opens: 9am- Site Closes 6pm

Sandia Prep High School

532 Osuna Rd NE Albuquerque NM 87113

Site Fee's : \$10 for 14 and over

\$ 6 for 4-13

under 4 free

Non-memebers surcharge \$3

Lunch is included with the site fee

Site is **Dry**

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Greetings Good Gentles of the Outlands,

Baron Gregor von Munchhausen and Baroness Monika the Fair of al-Barran wish to invite everyone to a Sworded Affair for a glorious day of dashing dares and deadly duels. Come show off your skill and chivalry with your rapier and wit thus defending the honor of the mighty stag and scorpion.

There will be lots of challenging rapier fighting, creative classes, merchants for your shopping needs and a delicious lunch that will be lovingly prepared by Mistress Monica von Zell.

There will be a silent auction to benefit the Kingdom retinue travel fund. We are still accepting donations for the silent auction so please if you have anything you wish to donate to help benefit the Outlands please let the autocrats know.

Directions: From the South: Take I-25 North to the Osuna/ San Mateo exit (exit # 230) and turn left unto Osuna Road and head west for approximately 2 miles and Sandia Prep will be on the left-hand side of the road please look for SCA signs for entry and parking.

Directions from the North: Take I-25 South to the San Antonio exit (exit # 231) and stay on Fontrage road heading south for a 1/2 mile and turn right unto Osuna Road and head west for approximately 2 miles and Sandia Prep will be on the left hand side of the road please look for SCA signs for entry and parking.

Basic Schedule:

9am: Opening Court

9:30am: List opens

10am: Silent Auction Bidding begins

10am: tourney's and classes begin

12pm: Lunch

1pm: tourney's and classes resume

5pm: closing court

Class Schedule:

10am-11am: Period Handstitching with Mistress Rhianwen class limit 20 people.

11am-12pm: Cut and Thrust Demo with Don Govanen

12pm-1pm: Lunch

1pm-2pm: Why Play This Game with Duke Rurick

2pm-3pm: Basic Belly Dance with Lord Xahir

3pm-4pm: Largesse Embroidery with THL Maimuna Fee \$5 (limit 20)

Tourney Schedule:

9am: list opens

9:30am: All Day Duels Begin: fighters will be given a card to record win or loss the object here is to challenge fights with other fighters and call 2 seconds to act as marshals for your fight, weapons are chosen by consent and wins are recorded by your honor, fighters will turn in their cards to list mistress at the end of the day to see who is

the best duelist among the rapier community

10am: Morning Mixer Snowball: tourney Begins with single fights and grows into 2 large teams

11am: Double Dagger Delight: best 2 out of 3

11am: Roll the Die: roll and see what weapons you fight with

12pm -1pm: Lunch

1pm: Death by Duel: 2 fights and single elimination with single point and one shot with an RBG.

2pm: Captain of the Silvertyne Tourney hosted by Don Estevan

2pm: 3 man team tourney: best 2 out of 3

3pm: Circle of Death Challenge: fighters form a circle and challenge up 3 opponents to fight.

4pm: Last Man Standing: All fighters will be paired up and fight at once (2 fights and single elimination). Once the round is over the winners will be repaired again until the last 2 fighters remain standing and determine who is the last fighter alive

4pm: Turn in your Duel card to the list mistress

5pm: Court

Lunch menu:

Breakfast Sideboard:

We will have coffee and hot water for tea and hot chocolate
some pastries (biscotti and other sweet breads)
maybe some hard boiled eggs

Lunch:

Lemon Chicken

Penne with Pesto and Toasted Pine Nuts

Spring Vegetables (to be determined by the market)

Spinach and Orange Salad

Lemonade

Dessert Sideboard:

Pizzelles

Orengat

Nucato

Almond Cake

All schedule times subject to change at TRM's or TE's discretion

In Service to the Stag and Scorpion

THL Natal'ia Mechislavova

Sworded Affaire Autocrat

Greetings Fontaineese and All others,

The icy cold grasp of winter is slipping ever so slowly away from us and the warmth of spring is right on it's heels. The green grass calls for us to come and awaken it. That being said, our practices will be moving back to Kiwanis Park as of the 1st of April. They will continue to be at 2:00pm on Sundays.

We are fast in preparation for our tournament season. We have Sworded Affaire on the 4th of April, and many other fine events quickly approaching. So sharpen your blades and come out and cross blades with us. With the growth of our rapier group that we've seen over the past few months there are plenty of new faces to test your skills.

YiS,
Lord Argyle MacGreggor
Rapier Marshal

Greetings unto the populace of Fontaine dans Sable,

I would like to thank each and every one of you for the time, effort, and spirit that you all put into hosting Crown Tournament. We are truly a wondrous Barony and I could not have done it without you all. There are a few gentles that helped me out a great deal. Thank you Elizabeth for co-coordinating and being my right hand. Lord Dogan for taking on jobs that weren't necessarily the most enjoyable. THL Evain for creating a beautiful hall to enjoy the evening. Lady Chedira for running troll again. Lady Beatrice and Lady Louie for a very successful and scrumptious lunch. Lady Isabella and Lady Anna Katherine for the beautiful hand crafted site tokens. THL Angus for creating and maintaining the website. To the house Sepultura for all of their toting, carting, serving, and jumping back in with both feet. To Baroness Leona for a wonderful feast! To the shire of Rio de las Animas, you truly assisted the Barony and I look forward to when we can work together again. I know so many of you helped in ways I may not even be aware of. My utmost gratitude to you ALL!

In service to the Dream,

THL Anna MacTaggart

GREETINGS,

FIRST OFF THIS MONTH I WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL OF THOSE WHO VOLUNTEERED THEIR TIME AND EFFORT FOR SPRING CROWN TOURNAMENT. WITHOUT THE HELP OF ALL, EVENTS OF THIS MAGNITUDE COULD NOT RUN SMOOTHLY.

ON THE SAME SUBJECT, BUT A DIFFERENT NOTE, THE DEADLINE FOR REIMBURSEMENTS FOR CROWN TOURNAMENT EXPENDITURES IS APRIL 15TH.

MY FINAL SUBJECT THIS MONTH IS MY SEARCH FOR A DEPUTY. BASIC DUTIES OF THE EXCHEQUER INCLUDE BALANCING THE CHECKBOOK, PREPARING FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR EACH EVENT, EACH QUARTER, AND YEAR END. AN EXTENSIVE DESCRIPTION IS POSTED ON THE YAHOO LIST. AS DEPUTY, YOU WOULD LEARN HOW TO PREPARE THE REPORTS AND ASSIST ME IN ENSURING THE FINANCIAL WELFARE OF THE BARONY. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THE POSITION, PLEASE LET ME KNOW AND I CAN DESCRIBE THEM TO YOU MORE FULLY. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN THE POSITION, PLEASE SEND A COPY OF YOUR LETTER OF INTENT TO THEIR EXCELLENCIES, THE SENESCHAL, AND MYSELF.

LADY CHEDIRA
EXCHEQUER

Greetings Unto Fontaine,

What a wonderful Crown Tournament we hosted. Many thanks go out to the coordinators and autocrats of this Event. The weather god smiled upon us with good fortune and held the rain at bay and gave us a beautiful spring day with sunshine and a few clouds. The tournament was a joy to behold as pageantry and chivalry were presented in the way that only happens with a Crown Tournament. The feast prepared by Baroness Leona of Rio was a taste treat that will not soon be forgotten. Thanks also go to the unsung gentles whom aided in setup and tear down at the field and the feast hall. Many hands certainly do make for light work. Our congratulations go to the new Prince and Princess of the Outlands and we look forward to their reign of this Kingdom.

Upcoming Events in April include Sworded Affair, Kingdom A&S in association with Queen's Prize and then Coronation will be in May. If you are able to attend these events, please do so as they are fun and exciting times.

The first weekend in June will be the Aztec Fiesta Days, and on June 27 and 28 will be the Mancos Renaissance Faire. Watch the list for further information on these two events. Both are fun, and at Mancos, we have a big presence in their Faire.

We are also looking forward to many Officer changes within the Barony. My position as Chatelaine is open for letters; a brief summary of the duties for this office follows. My best wishes and help go to my successor.

Chatelaine, sometimes known as Hospitaller

The Chatelaine is the liaison with the community, coordinates demos within the mundane community, the go-to person for newcomer information and coordinates the loaner garb. They are also responsible for keeping a stock of the tri-fold brochures and making sure that the information in the brochure is up to date. The Chatelaine is sometimes referred to as Hospitaller and makes a quarterly report to the Kingdom Hospitaller as well as a yearly (doomsday) report that is a summary of the year's activity. They are also responsible to insure that any media coverage is authorized and within Kingdom Law. The Kingdom has a new Hospitaller and many new ideas concerning the function of this office are being presented to the Hospitallers/ Chatelaines of the Kingdom for consideration.

In Service to the Dream

Lady Elyenora Bangel de la Roche

greetings fontaine!

there have been many questions regarding choosing names and personas. I felt this might be an appropriate place to begin to help some of our newer citizens.

most of the questions have been about choosing a name. to me, this is at least partly integral to choosing a persona. there are basically two ways to go about this. one, find a name that you like the sound of then find out where it came from. or two, you can decide whether you want to be Scandinavian, French, Italian, Spanish, German, English or Gaelic (Brittany, Ireland, Isle of Mann, Scotland or Wales). then start researching a name from that area.

there are some things to remember when you do this. in no particular order, the SCA is fun. we are here, at least part of the time, to escape the modern world and have fun. second, the SCA is an educational organization. much of what we do furthers the understanding of the middle ages and its' culture. that is why I said 'researching' when talking about choosing a name. we are concerned with the middle ages in western Europe between 1000 and 1600. if you want to have an eastern persona then you should approach it from the standpoint of a long-term visitor to the west (such as the invading mongol horde). don't get in a hurry. your name is something that you will live with for a long time. it can be changed but that is not a wonderful thing to contemplate.

you might start by looking at clothing or armor and weaponry and choose a look that you would like to have. for me, much of my real-life ancestry is Welsh, Scottish and Irish. because I have a long time interest in my family history it was almost natural for me choose a mid- to late

15th century Scottish border reiver. that is what much of my family was. (a reiver is basically a cattle rustler and thief). this was a time of great social development and turmoil along the Scotland-England border and reiving was a way to stay alive. I also like to wear kilts.

next, don't get too attached to the name you choose. try it out for a while. see if you really like being called 'hob' or 'robin' which are a diminutives or nicknames for Robert. if you really want to go with a Gaelic or Scandinavian name, great! write it down on a card and ask people to say it for you. you may or may not like the way it comes out because it will be mispronounced. yes, even by heralds in court who try their best but don't always succeed. so try out the name for a few months and see if it suites you.

there are some other things that will need to be done as well. first, your name must be unique to you. you may not have the exact same name as anyone else in the sca. 'und ve haf vays uf finding out.' second you may not use an historical figures' name. it would be quite presumptuous to call yourself charlemagne and even more difficult to live up to such a name. third, your name may not imply honors that you do not have. one could choose brian of ticklebelly but not brian lord ticklebelly. unless of course you do have an award of arms.

there are many good places to look for names; even baby books can give you ideas to start with. books with dates of usage are better because they help to verify that the name you want to use is a period name. but beware; even some of these are not very well researched. one very good source can be found on the internet at <http://www.s-gabriel.org>. this is a volunteer group, many of whom are from the sca that research names and keep lists. if you use the academy of st. gabriel as a source there is a very good chance the name you choose will be accepted.

i have waxed philosophical and pedagogical long enough. this should give you some good things to think about and i hope a place to start. i should mention that some of this was suggested by articles in the "known world handbook" published by the sca. you can order it online at <https://secure.sca.org/cgi-bin/stockclerk/index>. i should also note that i, like you, am still learning. i believe this is all correct but, on occasion, i have been known to be wrong.

In service to the dream i remain your humble servant
ROBERT MOFFAT
Black fountain pursuivant

Who are you in the SCA?

I am Lady Chedira Adimari.

2. What awards and titles do you carry?

I was admitted into the Order of the Hourglass August 30th, 2008. I was awarded arms on January 17th, 2009.

3. What do you do in the SCA?

As Exchequer for our Barony, I handle all financial reporting and related responsibilities. I am also a Lady in Waiting for our Baroness. I also sew, cook, and research to the best of my abilities.

4. What defining moment let you know that the SCA was for you?

Don Estevan de Sepultura kissed my hand. After spending my whole life believing that instead of shaking my hand, men should be kissing it, Don Estevan actually did so. I was sold!

5. What is one of your favorite memories of the SCA?

I have so many, it is difficult to choose. The most recent was at Fontaine's 12th Night Masque. I received my Award of Arms from Their Majesties Alrik II and Salomea. This was memorable to me for several reasons. The first reason, obviously, is because it was my AoA. Secondly, HRM Alrik was King when I joined and King again when I received my AoA. I just think it is really cool. Third, I received it at the same event that Leonardo received his.

6. How do you balance mundane life and the SCA?

I am fortunate (I think) that mundane life does not often interfere with my SCA life. When it does, I start chanting, "It's just a hobby!" Most of the time, the chant works and I can refocus. Otherwise, as I have often said, I have sold my soul to the SCA.

7. What piece of advice would you give to a newcomer?

I would advise newcomers to first and foremost, attend! The more meetings, get-togethers, events and demo's you go to, the more you will understand what Fontaine, and thus the SCA, is all about. If you have a question, ask it. Fontaine is blessed with a populace that is more than willing to answer ALL questions. There is no such thing as a stupid question. Really! Above all, do only what you can do. Don't go spend \$800 on a period tent before your first camping event if it is really not in your budget. As a newcomer, no one expects perfection from you. Do what you can, when you can. Trust me, it will be enough.

Greetings unto the Populace of Fontaine,
There are a few Offices and Deputy Offices that are currently accepting letters of intent. Serving as an officer is a great way to learn, grow and serve others. If you are interested in an office, but do not feel quite ready to take on the whole thing serve as a deputy. It is great to have new faces and new ideas brought forward. The following offices and deputy offices are open:

Seneschal
Deputy Exchequer
Chatelaine
Knight Marshal
Deputy Knight Marshal
Deputy Rapier Marshal
Deputy Scribe
Webminister
Minster of Children
QuarterMaster
Deputy Seneschal

Please take a moment and consider these positions if you have ever wondered what goes on behind the scenes of this great Barony. Please have your letters turned in by April 28th. Copies of letters need to go to Their Excellencies, the Seneschal and to the current office holder.

YiS,
Lady Lasairfhiona inghean an Sheanchaidhe
Chronicler

Greetings,

I would like to thank Their Excellencies Qara Gan and Ceara, Lord Robert, Lady Beatrice, Lord Seamus, Lord Geoffrey, Lady Chedira, Lord Leonardo, Lady Michelet, Lord Stuart, Lady Melangell, and m'lady Trish for attending the Demo at the RTC. The kids and staff all had a good time. Thank you for taking the time to show these kids this game that we all love.

YiS,

Lady Lasairfhiona inghean an Sheanchaidhe

April 2009 Baronial Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
			Populace Meetings 7pm			Sworded Affaire
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Fighter Practice 2pm						Kingdom A&S
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Fighter Practice 2pm		Rachel b-day		Erik b-day		
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Fighter Practice 2pm		Ian MacRae b- day	Officer's Meeting 7pm		Malia DeVilliers b- day	
26	27	28	29	30		
Fighter Practice 2pm						

Of Interest to the Barony

Websites of Interest for the Barony of Fontaine dans Sable

Fontaine dans Sable's Website: <http://fontainesca.org>

Fontaine's Discussion List: fontainedanssable@yahoogroups.com

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Fontaine's Rapier List: fontaine-rapier@yahoogroups.com

Fontaine's Player's List: Fontaine-Players@yahoogroups.com

Fontaine's Brewers List: fontaine-brewers@yahoogroups.com

Fontaine Belly Dancers' List: fontainebellydancers@yahoo.groups.com

Outlands' Website: <http://www.outlands.org>

SCA Website: <http://sca.org>

Upcoming Events:

Sworded Affair in al-Barran: April 4th

Kingdom Arts and Sciences in al-Barran: April 11th

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