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**IF you would like to see your work
FEATURED IN NEXT MONTH'S issue of
The Plume, please submit your
ARTICLES OR OTHER items to the
CHRONICLER by JUNE 26th!**

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Unto the Stellar Barony of Namron do We send our warm greetings!

We would like to thank everyone in the Barony for getting involved with our Virtual Beltane at the beginning of May. It was groundbreaking territory for the Barony and we are glad it was such a success. Much of that success goes to Cailleach and Kolfinna, because of all of their hard work. The theme of virtual events continued throughout the month and we were so very proud to watch two members of our Populace crown themselves King and Queen and sit upon the Stellar Thrones of Ansteorra.

While many exciting things happened in May, our Barony also received some very sad news recently. A longtime member of our Barony, Sheik Abdullah Mohammed Ben Al-Asani passed away. He has been a fixture in Namron for ages. He has been awarded the Torsade of Namron, was a member of the Order of the Heart of the Sable Storm, and was one of the few individuals awarded the Kriegshelt for his lifelong service to the Our Barony. We all have fond memories of Abdullah and he will be missed very much. Please keep Baroness Gwyneth in your thoughts and prayers during this time. There will be a service planned once we can all gather again and we will make sure to keep everyone informed when those plans are made.

In service to the Barony,

Micolay and Uliana

BARON AND BARONESS OF NAMRON
LORD AND LADY OF SKORRAGARDR





FROM THE CHRONICLER

Greetings unto the Populace.~

I hope this missive finds you well!

I'm interested in what you've been working on to keep you busy during this time of quarantine. Shoot me an email and let me know!

As always, any submissions you would like to make for the July issue of *The Plume* are due by June 26, 2020.

Your submissions are what makes this publication successful.

For submissions, please contact me at chronicler@namron.ansteorra.org. Also, please let me know if there is anything you would LIKE to see featured in *The Plume*.

I am hopeful that we will be able to get to see each other soon.

Joyfully in Service,
*Bantiarna Cailleach Dhé
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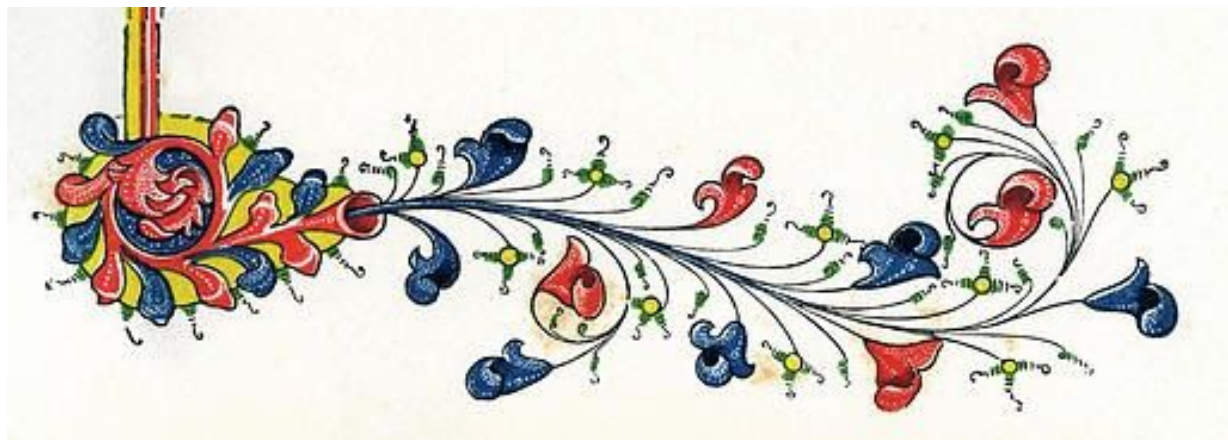
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From the Seneschal

Good Gentles of the Storm,

We have spent another long month apart, and our hearts yearn to be together. Alas, some time must still pass before we are permitted to do so. In the meantime, I encourage you to take a class online, research a topic that has interested you, or just relax and take care of yourself the best that you can. As always, Their Excellencies Micolay and Uliana, and I, are at your disposal should you find yourself in need of tangible items or just a visit. Many members of our populace are eager to do the same, so please take no hesitation in asking, or in having another ask on your behalf.

A few points of business are in order, and are as follows:

The Barony of Namron is now accepting feast bids for Protectorate, October 2-4, at Camp Graham Ball in Holiday, Texas. A well-appointed kitchen is available for use. There is no set theme for the event. Please send bids to the Financial Committee at finance@namron.ansteorra.org. Bids close July 2, 2020, 9:00 pm CST.

The Barony of Namron is accepting applications for the offices of Hospitaler and Youth Rapier Marshal. The application period closes June 4, 2020, 9:00 pm CST. For full details, please refer to the position announcements on Facebook or on the Namron email list.

The Webminister, Lord Mani (Yancy) Alfsson, is seeking a Deputy. Familiarity with WordPress and basic HTML is desirable.

We welcome Bantiarna Cailleach Dhé inghean Uí Chaerbhail as our new Social Media Deputy. Many thanks to Boiarynia Koia Karasova for her service in this role.



All members of our populace should be aware that the Baroness of Bordermarch has been making hints at an attempt to annex our beloved barony, and must be thwarted. Should you spot her in our geographical area, please notify me immediately. And make plans to safeguard yourself from the Dread Overlord Gabby. Her adorable appearance and demeanor is deceiving.

The Barony of Namron is now accepting Tavern bids for Protectorate XLIV, October 2-4, 2020, to be held at Camp Graham Ball in Holliday, TX.

Preferences are for Saturday breakfast and lunch, and a light breakfast on Sunday, however, all bids are warmly welcomed. Coffee is a huge bonus! Facilities are limited, but water and electricity are available.

Funding options; please specify in your bid:

1. Tavern funded by the Barony of Namron, with proceeds retained by the Barony.
2. Tavern funded by an official SCA group (not incipient groups or households), with proceeds retained by the group.
3. Per the Barony of Namron's Financial Policy, privately funded taverns will be required to submit proof of sales tax ID prior to the event.

Bids should be submitted to:
The Barony of Namron Financial Committee, at
finance@namron.ansteorra.org, and
The Event Steward,
koiakarasova@gmail.com

Bids close July 2, 2020, 9:00 pm CST.

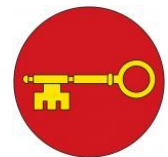
Take care of yourselves, and with grace we will see each other again soon.

Frú Kalfinna Egilsdóttir

SENECHAL, BARONY OF NAMRON

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From the Minister of Children

Greetings to the Amazing Populace of Namron!

Happy June!

Summer is here. With summer and warmer weather, comes lots of outdoor fun and games. Did you know many of the games with play have a long history, different names, and some different variations? Let's take a look at a few.

Hopscotch was a war exercise for Romans. Soldiers had to hop or run across a 100ft grid in full armor to reach the other side. (Sounds similar to football players and other athletes these days who run through those tires or rope courses for practice.) Can you imagine running or hopping with an extra 50lbs or so on you? The word Hopscotch comes from hopping, obviously, and scotch was for scratch, because kids would scratch 10 squares in the dirt to create their grid. Now we just use chalk to draw our game. Should we call it hopchalk now? 🤔

Jack's is another game that has a history. It also had another name. Today we have the Jack's we know and a bouncy ball. But many centuries ago, they had knuckle, wrist, and ankle bones of sheep. That is where the game got its original name, Knucklebones. The game was also played a bit differently. They would throw the bones up and try to catch them either with their palms or the back of their hands or any other difficult way to make the game fun or more challenging. Before bouncy balls were ever a thing, children would use various things as the ball, like an apricot seed for example.

Other games, or variants, that children play today that have a long history are; Marbles, Capture the Flag, Tetherball, Blindmans Bluff, Red Rover, London Bridge is Falling Down, Croquet, Double Dutch, and many more. Some were played by adults even. So remember, while you are out there playing some of these games, you are taking part of history too. Grown ups, these games are for you too.

This month's activity is a fun one. Pool noodles are aplenty right now and you can get them cheap. You can just with them or even make swords! So here's an easy DIY to make your own sword.

Pool Noodle Sword

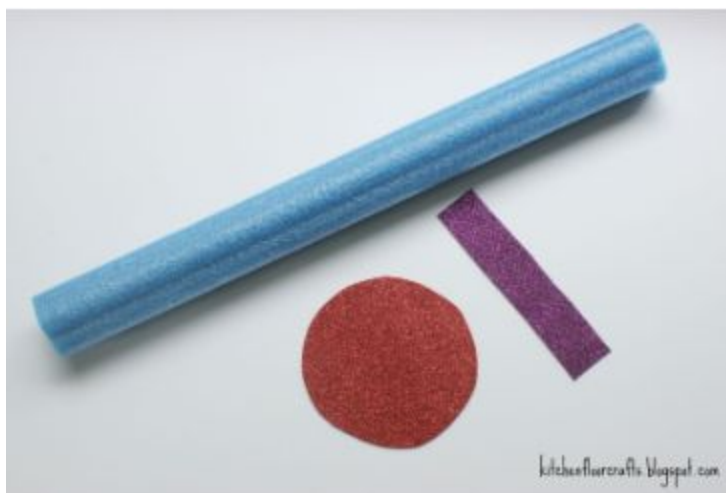
Materials (for one sword):

1/2 a pool noodle

duct tape

circle of craft foam about 1 inch wider than the pool noodle

one foam strip (about 1 and 1/2 inches wide and 6 inches long)



Tape the strip of foam to the bottom of one end of the pool noodle with the duct tape. Next tape the other end of the foam up higher on the pool noodle. Tape it so that the foam piece makes a slight bump/curve off of the noodle. (To make a handle.)



Use a knife/exacto knife and cut an "X" into the middle of the foam circle. Don't make the edges of the "X" go too close to the edges of the circle.



Slide the circle over the top of the pool noodle (the end opposite the handle) and slide it down so it rests on top of the handle. You can tape above it.



That's it, the pool noodle sword is complete! I'm sure you have some kiddos who would love it too!

Yours in Service,
Dýrfinna Mikaelisdóttir
Namron Minister of Children



SAINT BRICE'S DAY MASSACRE AND HOW IT LED TO SWEYN FORKBEARD TO BE KNOWN AS THE LEGENDARY VIKING KING

BY LADY OPHELIA WARDE



King Aethelred wanted the ruthless Viking Warlord and ruling King of the Danes, Sweyn Forkbeard and his Danish raiders out of England for good! So much so, that he paid Sweyn to leave England peacefully with large sums of money that was obtained by taxing the public. These taxes were known as Danegeld. Sweyn and his people took the money and stayed in England (no surprise). King Aethelred and the English people were tired of these Nordic invaders and wanted them gone forever!

King Aethelred was so angered over the Danes insolence he took extreme and terrible measures. On what is known as Saint Brice's day Massacre, November 13th 1002 AD, he ordered a massacre of all Danes in England. He wanted to stop the Danes from their plundering and destruction of his people and get them out one way or another out of England. This massacre included not only men but also women and children! No one can be sure how many Danes died that day. What is known is that Sweyn's sister Gunhilde and her husband were killed. When Sweyn discovered his sister and her husband were among those killed that day, he swore to get revenge. This great revenge led to many attacks and skirmishes along the English coast and eventually a battle for the conquest of England!

Ten years of fighting, rampaging and pillaging, terrified King Aethelred paid another Danegeld but Sweyn would not be swayed! King Aethelred was terrified and fled England in exile to his wife's homeland of Normandy. The throne was abandoned and on Christmas Day 1013 AD, Sweyn Forkbeard became King of England and eventually known as the Legendary Viking King!

Information for this story was researched in:

[The Oxford Dictionary of the Middle Ages](#)

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FROM THE HERALD

Greetings Namron!

Progress is still being made on many of the names and devices I have discussed with populace members.

A huge shoutout to Bethesda who has helped with creating digital rendering of devices and attaching them to the forms so that when we can, submissions can be quickly sent in! Digital art is beyond my capabilities and she saved me many hours of tracing, copying, and coloring by hand and I am extremely grateful for her!

I will let people know when we can start accepting payments again so that we can get the many submissions turned.

YIS,

HL Villana Palazolo

NAMRON HERALD



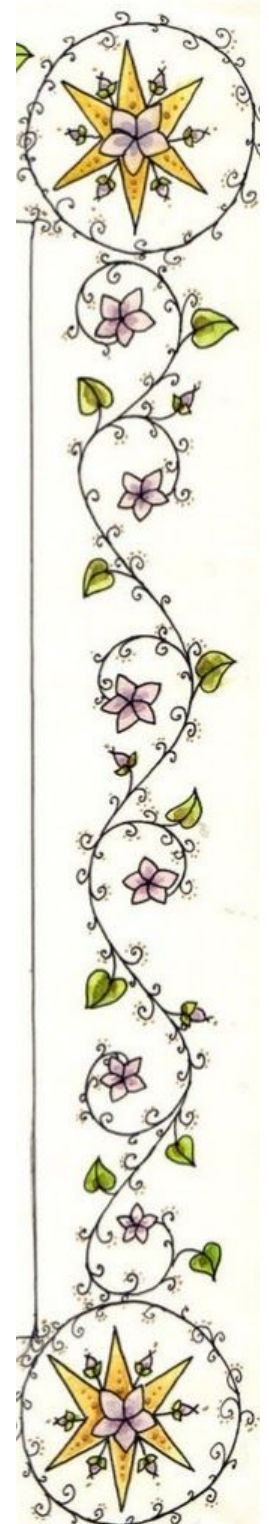
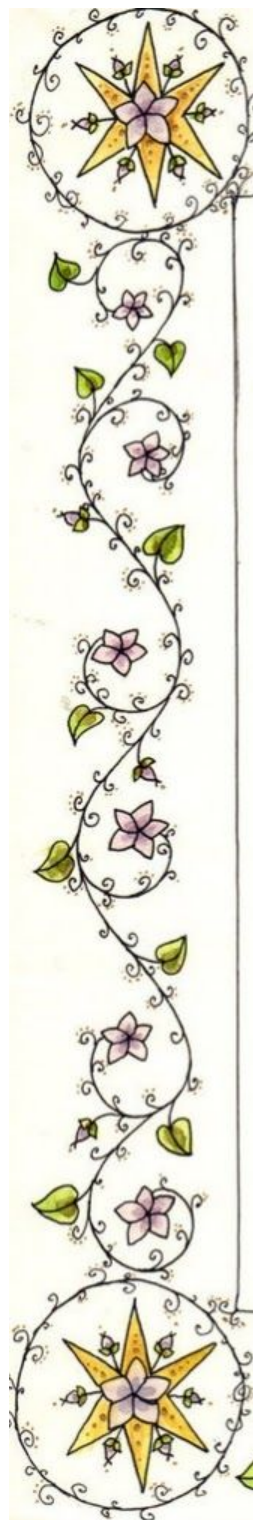
FROM THE EVENTS DEPUTY

Greetings from your friendly neighborhood keeper of the calendar of events! Once we are able to have events again, please send them to me at events@namron.ansteorra.org so that I can update the Barony of Namron calendar and help spread the word! Also, if you have an idea of a great site for an event you can send it and any information to me to add to our list of possible sites.

Kind Regards,

Sigridr Vilhjaldsdottir

EVENTS DEPUTY, BARONY OF NAMRON



FROM THE WORKBENCH OF THE KNIGHT MARSHAL

Greetings, Namron-

I have been thinking about this for quite a while. The need for safety (Macro) and the need for safety (micro). I will have more opinions on this in the coming months.

Still building and repairing armor and watching storms with a new helm in the works.

This pandemic is winding down a bit, so please give me some input on practices, times and days of the week. That way we can get back on the field and get some practice in.

Ragnar Kelson of Durham

KNIGHT MARSHAL, NAMRON



HOSPITALER'S PEN AND QUILL



reetings, Great Barony of Namron

As I submit this very last missive for the Plume, I am reflecting on the past two years and the friendships I have been blessed to make. There are too many of you to write in the missive but know how much I appreciate you! My walk has been easy no matter how long the journey.

I leave you with this:

— Hávamál 34

It's a long and crooked walk

to a bad friend,

even if he lives nearby.

But it's an easy road

to a good friend,

no matter how long the journey.

Thank you for your kindness and support and welcome to the New Hospitaler!

I will always remain in your service,

Lady Ophelia

NAMRON HOSPITALER





FROM THE RAPIER MARSHAL

Greetings Wonderful Barony!

While we are still unable to meet in person, the Virtual Academy of the Rapier is continuing to have classes. Classes are recorded and posted later, so you can watch them in your own time. We have had classes on the history of the rapier community, drills you can do at home, body mechanics, cut and thrust, and much more! Thank you to everyone who has taught a class or who is planning to teach one in the future.

The Storm Weasel marshals have been discussing practice locations when we are able to meet safely. Everything is subject to change, so ideas from other fighters and other members of the populace are welcome. You can email me at rapier@namron.ansteorra.org or message

me on Facebook, and I will pass the word along to Lord Darrien and our deputies.

If things go as planned, Queen's Champion will be held on July 11th. It will be a live event, and King's Champion will be held on the same day. I do not have details about what safety measures will be in place, yet. I will be on watch for details and make sure you all know what plans are. Please exercise caution if you plan to attend.

I hope everyone is in good health. Stay safe.

Yours in Service,

Lady Sabine Fulhaberin

RAPIER MARSHAL



FROM THE SOCIAL MEDIA DEPUTY

Greetings, Namron~

Did you know that The Barony of Namron is on several different social media platforms? You can follow The Barony on it's Facebook Page @BaronyofNamronSCA, Instagram @BaronyOfNamron, on Twitter @BaronyofNamron, and on Pinterest @NamronSMD. Give us a like &/or follow!

There is a YouTube channel currently in the works and we will be needing content! Please send any tutorials or classes that you would like to share on this account to socialmedia@namron.ansteorra.org. We would LOVE to share your knowledge with others!

YIS,

Bantiarna Cailleach Dhé inghean Uí Chaerbhaill
NAMRON SOCIAL MEDIA DEPUTY

FROM NAMRON'S HISTORIAN

I am honored to have been selected as the baronial historian. So many interesting events have happened in Namron's history; I hope soon to be soliciting accounts of them. At the moment I am surveying previous attempts to collect this information. My hope is to create a framework for storing it that will last beyond my time in office, without duplicating the work done by the Kingdom Historian. It's an enjoyable puzzle.

-- Mistress Vigdis Grafeldr

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Youth Rapier:

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(child division, 6-11)

AIDEN OF NAMRON
(youth division, 12-17)

Youth Thrown Weapons:

ARI JONGEIRRSO

FROM THE MINISTER OF ARTS AND SCIENCE

Good day, Good Populace,

Wow! I have to start off with a great Big VIVAT to Bantiarna Cailleach Dhe inghean Ui Chaerbhail! What a wonderful Beltane! To all of Bantiarna Cailleach's helpers & to the teachers Vivat! To FireStorm Ink, for their wonderful scrolls that they were able to provide, Vivat! To all the winners VIVAT!!!!

Now that our events are going online for the time being, I'd like to ask the Laurels of our great Barony to teach some classes online. With us being able to have online classes, we don't have to limit to a Monday! It doesn't have to be Live! It can be a taped class, or a presentation you have already done.

Now that I've asked the Peers, anyone else who would be interested in teaching an online class, please get with me! I am currently working on how to record my homemade oatmeal soap process.

Welcome to our newest Northern Regional Scribe, Firestorm Ink's own HL Villana! A huge thank you to Baroness Ayesha for her work as the Northern Regional Scribe.

Remember, let me know what y'all are doing so I can say great words over your wonderful work! Yancy... Who has been very busy making some awesome chairs!!

That's All I got this month!! Go sing, play, make, and hopefully soon we will be able to see and be at least 6 ft away! Till then.....

YIS,
Lady Ellyn O'Rowone deGraye
MoAS



FROM THE TREASURER

Greetings from the Exchequer.

Our current bank ledger balance is \$8129.10. While Spring Coronation was postponed, and we did not end up hosting it, we had incurred some expenses for it. Some of those were offset by people who had pre-paid and donated their site fee rather than receiving a refund, so it was a net loss of \$116.69. We will be receiving a refund of the \$1275.00 we had paid for the site, so that is not included in the loss. Beltane was a virtual event, but we did do some prizes, so there was a net loss of \$142.87, after we receive the \$600.00 site fee back. Those refunds will bring our balance up to \$10,004.10

I am looking for someone who is interested in becoming a deputy. If you are interested, feel free to contact me with any questions.

Greetings,

BS Annabelle Fitzsimmons

