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From the Chronicler

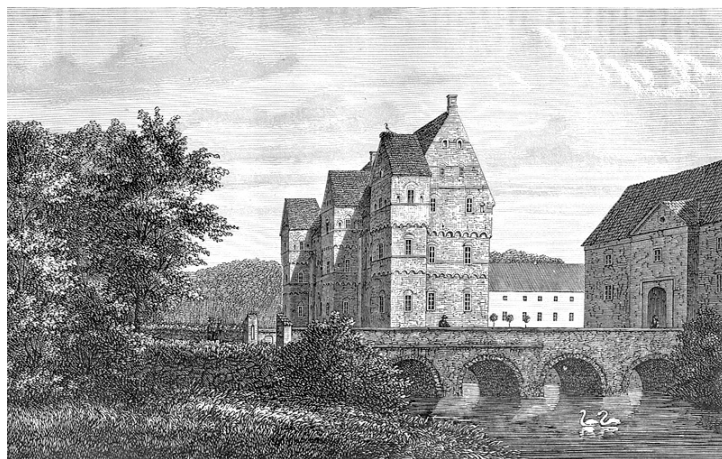
Lord Charles Ivansen of Borreby

Greeting to the Barony,

Many apologies for the extreme lateness of this, the 2nd Quarter Issue of the Fret Knot. This will be a rather abbreviated one. However, in addition to our usual listing of practices, meetings, champions etc. please note the important announcement of the stepping down of our Baron and Baroness and the call for Letters of Intent for those seeking to be their heirs. This is, as usual, a momentous occasion in the life of Altavia. I would personally like to thank and honor the outgoing Baron and Baroness for their wonderful service. Not only did they put in countless hours, days, and weeks of their time but they did it with class, style, and overwhelming grace and kindness. Thank You!

I hope to get the Fret Knot back on track so look for a new issue (3rd Quarter) later in the Summer with more content. Until then, enjoy the good weather and keep cool!

*Yours in Service,
Charles Ivansen of Borreby, Chronicler of Altavia*



Borreby Castle, near the town of Skælskør in the south-west corner of the island of Zealand, Denmark.

From Their Excellencies

The honorable Lord Cristofanus Castellani
And Mistress Cecilia Medici

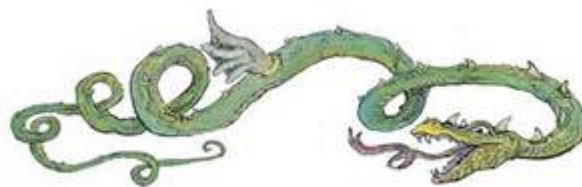
Greetings!

Baron Cristof and I have had the pleasure of serving Altavia as Baron and Baroness for 4 years and are looking forward to serving as part of Altavia's populace. It is not an easy thing to step down as we love this Barony deeply, however there are many of you out there that are willing and very capable of serving the Barony of Altavia as we have and our parents, grand parents great grandparents.... before us. And so it is with heavy hearts we now ask the populace to submit letters to be the next Baron and Baroness (Baroness and Baroness or Baron and Baron) of Altavia. *[Note: more information is on the following page].*

Your Ever Grateful Baroness,

~Cecilia

Baroness of Altavia



Announcement

Announcing the Stepping Down of our
Esteemed Baron and Baroness
And
Requesting Letters of Intent for
Those Seeking to become their Heirs.

For more information, please go to the following website:
<http://www.sca-altavia.org/succession/>

Thank You Cristof & Cecilia!



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Deputy Webwright Lady Maile Fergusson	

Meetings & Practices in the Barony

Meetings:

- **Council Meeting**

2nd Tuesday of the month, 7:00pm

*Location: Proto-Cathedral of St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church,
at 5329 Sepulveda Boulevard, Sherman Oaks 91411.*

This is the monthly business meeting for the group. There are officer reports, event reports, discussion of Baronial involvement at the Kingdom Level, choosing new officers, when necessary, and announcements. Baronial decisions are made here, and you do have a voice. **Everyone is welcome (and encouraged) to attend the meeting!**

Pre-Meeting work session and officers arrive by 7:00pm. Meeting starts at 7:30pm.

Contact the [Seneschal](#) for details

- **Newcomers' Meeting**

Once a month, usually on the 4th Monday of the month, 7:00pm at [Verdugo Park](#) in Burbank, 3201 West Verdugo, Burbank CA, 91505. Directions: Off of Verdugo, turn North onto California and we are on the right hand side, half way down the block near the tennis courts. This is the same location as our weekly Fighter Practice.

We meet at the stone tables next to the restrooms; look for Bridget's Red Lantern!

These classes cover a general overview of the SCA and the types of events we hold in Caid. Please bring your questions and wonderful smiles. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

Contact the [Chatelaine](#) (chatelaine@sca-altavia.org) for directions and dates.

Combat Practices:

- **Archery Practice**

The first and third Sunday of the month, 11:00am to 3:00pm At Woodley Park Archery Range, directions are <http://woodleyparkarchers.org/direction>

Additional practice times are available most **Tuesday and Friday nights**. Contact the [Captain of Archers](#) to verify dates and times.

Contact ahead for loaner gear. Lord Everglad is there on most Wednesday nights and Saturday mornings for authorization tests and help in shooting.

Contact the [Captain of Archers](#) (archery@sca-altavia.org) for more information.

- **Equestrian Practice**

Practices are held on various Fridays of every month, 6:30-8:30PM at Conejo Creek Equestrian Park, 1350 Avenida de las Flores, Thousand Oaks, CA 91360.

Open to any participants regardless of territory of residence. Rider must bring their own mounts. Unmounted ground crew training available. Authorizations available. Jousting, mounted combat, crest combat, mounted games, marshalette/marshalette-in-training, and general riding authorizations available on site. General driving and driving games authorizations available subject to prior coordination. Mounted archery authorizations available offsite. Riders are advised to bring their normal tack and equipment. No rental horses are available. Minors must have a parent or guardian present at all times.

Please contact the [Marshal in Charge: Lady Lysette](mailto:equestrian@sca-altavia.org) (equestrian@sca-altavia.org). For more information, visit the [CAID equestrian site](http://equestrian.sca-caid.org/) (http://equestrian.sca-caid.org/) or the [Altavia Equestrian webpage](http://www.sca-altavia.org/Meetings/Equestrian/index.html). (http://www.sca-altavia.org/Meetings/Equestrian/index.html). Join the [Altavian Equestrian Email group](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/AltavianEquestrian/) (http://groups.yahoo.com/group/AltavianEquestrian/)

- **Fighter Practice -- Armored Combat**

Every Monday, 7:00pm to 9:30pm at [Verdugo Park](#) in Burbank, 3201 West Verdugo, Burbank CA, 91505. Directions" off of Verdugo, turn North onto California and we are on the right hand side, half way down the block near the tennis courts.

Contact the [Heavy Weapons Marshal](mailto:heavy@sca-altavia.org) (heavy@sca-altavia.org) for more information or to request to join the [practice information E-mail list](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/fretfights/) (http://groups.yahoo.com/group/fretfights/).

[Guardians of the High Road](http://wiki.caid-commons.org/index.php/Guardians_of_the_High_Road) (http://wiki.caid-commons.org/index.php/Guardians_of_the_High_Road)

- **Fighter Practice -- [Rapier](#)**

Every Monday, 7:30pm to 9:30pm at [Verdugo Park](#) in Burbank, 3201 West Verdugo, Burbank CA, 91505. Directions: off of Verdugo, turn North onto California and we are on the right hand side, half way down the block near the tennis courts.

Contact the [Rapier Marshal](#) for more information

- **Fighter Practice -- Youth Combat**

Twice a month - 2nd and 4th Mondays, 7:30pm to 8:00pm at [Verdugo Park](#) in Burbank, 3201 West Verdugo, Burbank CA, 91505. Directions: off of Verdugo, turn North onto California and we are on the right hand side, half way down the block near the tennis courts.

Contact the [Youth Combat Marshal](#) for more information

- **Thrown Weapons Practice**

The first and third Sunday of the month, 11:00am to 2:30pm at Woodley Park Archery Range, directions are <http://woodleyparkarchers.com/directions.html>

Contact ahead for loaner gear. Lord Everglad is there on most Wednesday nights and Saturday mornings for authorization tests and help in shooting.

Contact the [Thrown Weapons Marshal](mailto:tw@sca-altavia.org) (tw@sca-altavia.org) for more information and to verify dates and times.

Arts & Sciences:

- **Arts & Science Workshops (aka Craft Nights)**

The 4th Tuesday of the month, 7:00pm to 9:00pm location TBA. Please contact the [A&S Officer](#) or the [Seneschal](#) information on meeting locations. Bring your sewing or craft project to work on or help us make Baronial Presentations. The meetings sometimes have a project theme, which is usually published on the [Altavia E-mail list](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/altavia/) (http://groups.yahoo.com/group/altavia/).

Contact [A&S Officer](mailto:arts@sca-altavia.org) (arts@sca-altavia.org) for details.

- **Bardic Circle**

Hosted by Baron Sir Charles of Dublin at the home of Baron Sir Robear du Bois. Contact [the A&S officer](mailto:bardic@sca-altavia.org) (bardic@sca-altavia.org) for directions. The Bardic Circle will be pick, pass or play. For those who are new, this means that, as we go around the circle, you have the choice of:

1. Picking someone to perform something you like or something they want to do
2. Passing your turn to the next person
3. Performing yourself

This way you can relax & listen, perform, hear your favorites, or mix it up.

Contact [The A&S officer](mailto:bardic@sca-altavia.org) (bardic@sca-altavia.org) for dates, directions, and further information.

- **Children's Activities**

Children's activities are held at every event that Altavia sponsors.

Contact the [Children's Officer](mailto:children@sca-altavia.org) (children@sca-altavia.org) for information or offers to help.

- **Culinary Guild**

Special interest group for All Things Delicious to eat and drink, by the Barony of Altavia, the north-west Los Angeles County group of the Society for Creative Anachronism. Everyone is welcome in our discussions of recipes, historical research and events based around the food and beverages of the Middle Ages and Renaissance.

Meetings happen once a month. Contact the Guild through their Facebook page here: <http://www.facebook.com/groups/242868192471271/>

- **Dance Practice**

Belly Dance every Monday, 7:30pm at [Verdugo Park](#) in Burbank, 3201 West Verdugo, Burbank CA, 91505. Directions: off of Verdugo, turn North onto California and we are on the right hand side, half way down the block).

Tribal style belly dance practice. We have a mixture of absolute beginners, beginners and old pros. It's outside so dress warmly. Its lots of fun!

We are near the tennis courts and, as we practice next to the Heavies Fighters, just look for the fierce men and women in armor!

- **Potters Guild of Caid**

Meets once a month, contact [Baroness Asakura Machime](mailto:chronicler@sca-altavia.org) (chronicler@sca-altavia.org) for meeting times and location. To provide a supportive organization for ceramic artists of all skill levels. To provide an opportunity to network and share knowledge and techniques through workshops, special events, and at Arts and Sciences displays. To provide populace awareness and appreciation for ceramic artists and their work. To promote period creation, education and high quality work among our members.

[Potter's Guild of CAID Yahoo group](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Potters_guild_of_CAID/) (http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Potters_guild_of_CAID/)

