

Bright Salutations unto the grand fern-ament of Adiantum!

As we prepare for our tenure as Baron and Baroness of these fair lands, we would like to take a moment to give thanks to our predecessors. May the stars of Durin Oldenmoor Tjorkilskin and Ceridwen ferch Morgan ever burn warm to guide us. Luc! We were blessed with the opportunity to add them to the Order of Adiantum for their lifetime of continued and faithful service.

We also had the pleasure to announce the creation of a Children's Championship which will be held at the Egil Skallagrimson Memorial Tournament in 2020. We are still working out the finer details of the format for this new championship and hope to present the specifics at Our Midwinter Feast this coming year.

Additionally, we have discussed with our cousins to the north and our friends to the south the camaraderie that develops from a monthly Baronial social and intend to institute a Baronial Bevy. The goal of such a gathering is multi-faceted. It will provide a place and time for all those living within the borders of Adiantum to come together and commune, hash out plans/ideas, feed one another, provide an opportunity for people to get a sense of the state of the Barony, AND... during the summer months, to provide a community outreach/demonstration. While the weather holds, we would like to hold this out of doors at various parks in the area. When the weather turns, we will ask people to open their homes, in rotation, to promote inclusivity and a feeling of family. We would like these Baronial Bevys to be held on Saturday, though we do not intend to have them on structured weekends. We understand that the people of Adiantum travel far and wide both within and without our Kingdom; and will schedule them on a month-to-month basis, before Council, attempting to hold them on less busy weekends so as to include as many people as possible. We ask you to bring your ideas, fighting kits, projects, and a small amount of food to contribute. If everyone gives a little, nobody goes without!

Taking a cue from a past Baroness of Adiantum, we would love to showcase the edible bounty of the Barony with our largesse. Luna-Francesca di Marco Luppi will remain as Largesse coordinator and will be announcing themed Largesse competitions throughout the year, with a specific standard of each entry being consumable and shelf-stable. Things such as fruit preserves, pickled items, spices, etc will be the focus of our largesse requests. That said, we are always happy to receive children's largesse and special unique items to use as personal thank-yous for event staff and their teams.

Below, we have compiled a short list of our personal preferences for those whose joy is caretaking. We have asked Baroness Morrghan to be our Garb Teacher. This is slightly different than Ayla's particular service joy, Garb Coordination, but will serve many of the same functions. She will maintain our list of garb requests and offer small how-to classes for those interested in helping to create those items or those who would like to contribute fabric, etc.

We have had an outpouring of offers from our skilled scribal artisans and have welcomed their help. Many new charters have been designed and we hope to have our scribal officer, Antonia, well stocked with new charters within a few short weeks. If you would like to help paint, please contact her directly. Also, we will have a few special scrolls to commission throughout the upcoming years and ask that anyone with an affinity for calligraphy reach out as well.

We hope to meet personally with all of the Barony's officers within the next month or so. We are immensely appreciative of all the dedicated work they have done for the Barony and look forward to working with each of them to make Adiantum the jewel of Summits.

Blessings to you and your households,

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