

# The Signal

## Barony of Vulcanfeldt

### January AS 59 (2025)



“The Barony of Vulcanfeldt is located in the central region of the Kingdom of An Tir of the Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA). Vulcanfeldt proudly claims Yakima (Washington) and its environs (Yakima and Kittitas Counties) as its own. Our lands stretch from Ellensburg and Cle Elum in the north, to Grandview in the south and Tampoico in the west to Moxee and beyond in the east. Born in the year of Mount St. Helens’ fiery eruption, 1980, the Barony of Vulcanfeldt is an area of rich volcanic soil. It is said that the lands within our barony’s borders (Yakima County) ranks first in the United States in the number of all fruit trees and that it produces more apples, mint, winter pears, and hops than any other county.” *From [Barony of Vulcanfeldt](#)*

**For More Information**  
Barony of Vulcanfeldt Website  
<https://vulcanfeldt.antir.org/>

Barony of Vulcanfeldt Discussion Group  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/201003799915766/>

Kingdom of An Tir Events  
<https://antir.org/events>

Society for Creative Anachronism  
[www.sca.org](http://www.sca.org)

An Tir Wiki  
<https://antir.sca.wiki/>

Barony of Vulcanfeldt - PO Box 11429 - Yakima, WA 98909



## **Welcome to the Barony of Vulcanfeldt**

A Barony is an area led by a Baron and/or Baroness (collectively titled "The Coronet"), who are appointed by the Crown to be Their ceremonial representative(s) in a particular area. The Kingdom of An Tir recognizes that multiple combinations of gender are possible and The Coronet may choose to use the titles Baron and/or Baroness if desired. Individually, the Coronets are addressed as "Your Excellency". From [Barony of Vulcanfeldt – Kingdom of An Tir](#)

Her Excellency Fiona ( [vulcanfeldt.baroness@antir.org](mailto:vulcanfeldt.baroness@antir.org) )  
His Excellency Ulrich ( [vulcanfeldt.baron@antir.org](mailto:vulcanfeldt.baron@antir.org) )  
Baron and Baroness of Vulcanfeldt

### **Baronial Activities**

#### **Monthly - Business Meeting, Second Monday, 7:00 pm**

RoundTable Pizza, 1300 N. 40th Avenue, Yakima, WA 98908

Meetings are held on the second Monday of the month. Officers provide their monthly report, event stewards report on upcoming events, and monthly activity dates are announced. Contact the seneschal for additional information [vulcanfeldt.seneschal@antir.org](mailto:vulcanfeldt.seneschal@antir.org)

#### **Armored Combat Practices - [Watch this space for upcoming practice dates.](#)**

*Currently looking for an indoor site for winter practices.*

Everyone is welcome to attend practices. All levels of experience are welcome to attend.

#### **Archery Practice - [Watch this space for upcoming Spring dates.](#)**

Colonial Lawn & Garden, 1118 W. Washington Avenue, Yakima, WA 98902

All levels of experience are welcome. Not sure you're quite ready for archery, feel free to stop by and watch. You may find an extra bow waiting for you to try.

#### **Arts and Sciences - [Dates, Times, and Locations vary.](#)**

Whether you are interested in learning a new craft or interested in sharing your craft with others feel free to contact the Arts and Sciences officer for meeting times, dates, and location of the next meeting.

#### **Equestrian practices - [Available upon request.](#)**

Equestrian activities for the barony are coordinated by Baron Ulrich Hellelict. Please reach out to him at [vulcanfeldt.baron@antir.org](mailto:vulcanfeldt.baron@antir.org) for more information.

#### **Rapier practices - [Watch this space for upcoming practice dates.](#)**

*Currently looking for an indoor site for winter practices.*

Everyone is welcome to attend practices. All levels of experience are welcome to attend.

## Upcoming Events

Kingdom of An Tir Events

<https://antir.org/events>

- **Vulcanfeldt Yule Feast, January 4, 2025** - Barony of Vulcanfeldt. A time for our Baronage to gather and share thanks. We will be feasting as well as choosing our champions in the Arts & Sciences and Bardic. There will be prize tournaments for heavy and rapier combat as well as the opportunity for dancing and games. Event Site: Grandview Community Center, 812 Wallace Way, Grandview, WA 98930 10:00 AM
  
- **Twelfth Night Coronation and Bardic Championship, January 10-12, 2025** - Kingdom of An Tir, Barony of Three Mountains. Come join us as we attend Their Royal Majesties King Eirik and Queen Brynhildr as their reign draws to a close, completing another chapter in the glorious history of An Tir. Revel in the glorious coronation of Crown Prince Nicolai Rabenis Von Tachov and Crown Princess Ana de la Sara as they claim the rightfully won crown of An Tir for their own. Event Site: DoubleTree Hilton – Portland, 1000 NE Multnomah Street, Portland, OR 97232
  
- **Kingdom Arts and Sciences and Queen's Rapier Championship, March 7-9, 2025** - Kingdom of An Tir, Location TBD. This event features the competition for the An Tir Kingdom Art & Sciences champion. Competitors enter items for judging that display their knowledge, research and skills, in their chosen area(s) of medieval A&S.
  
- **Baroness War, April 4-6, 2025** - Barony of Vulcanfeldt. Weekend activities: Archery, Equestrian, Heavy Armored combat, Rapier, Thrown Weapons, Arts and Sciences, Bardic, Baroness Tea, Classes. Sunday AM: Baronesses Champion Tournament. War points: Archery, Equestrian, Heavy, Rapier, Thrown Weapons. Prizes awarded: Arts & Sciences Contests, Bardic. Event Site: Grandview Event Center and Rodeo Grounds, 812 Wallace Way, Grandview, WA 98930.
  
- **Honor War, April 11-13, 2025** - College of Lionsmarche. The Port of Silcott is once again besieged by roving bands of brigands from the East, and South, and North.... Thus do we call for aid from our Great Neighbors, those brave souls of the Inlands! Event Site: Chief Timothy Park, Silcott Island Clarkston, WA 99403

**BARONESS WAR**  
**April 4- 6, 2025**  
**Friday, 2 PM - Sunday, 3 PM**

Event Steward: Ashley Longbow ([ashleylongbow@gmail.com](mailto:ashleylongbow@gmail.com))

Please email the event steward with any questions. *Once I have access to the Kingdom of AnTir events page all information will be updated on that site.*

Site fee: Adult non-member \$35. Members will receive a \$10 discount. Day fee: \$15. Youth under 17 free. Make checks payable to Barony of Vulcanfeldt, SCA Inc.

Site address: Grandview County Parks Event Center, 812 Wallace, Way, Grandview, WA 98930

Come join the Baron and Baroness of Vulcanfeldt for Baroness War as they celebrate Vulcanfeldt's 20th anniversary as a barony. The weekend celebrations include war scenarios, arts and sciences competitions and displays, archery, equestrian, rapier tournament, heavy tournament, and classes. Saturday Her Excellency Fiona welcomes all to join her for the Baroness' Tea. Site will open 12 PM Friday for Merchants, RVs, and Equestrians, all others please join us at 2 PM. Please contact the event steward if you are bringing an RV. There are no RV hookups on site. We are located in eastern An Tir and those who live here know that the weather is unpredictable. We advise you to plan for wind, rain, and sun, sometimes within minutes of each other. As they say, if you don't like the weather, just wait five minutes. Available on site: potable water, limited electricity.

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Greetings from Ashley Longbow, Event Steward for Baroness War 2025.

If you are interested in assisting with this event, but are unsure of where to volunteer, we have many areas that will require assistance:: archery, arts & sciences, bardic, baroness tea, classes, equestrian, gate (**need a gate lead**), heavy combat/marshalls, merchants, rapier/marshalls, siege cooking (**need someone to run siege cooking**), thrown weapons (**need someone to coordinate thrown weapons**).

We will also need rovers, volunteers who are available to assist various areas. Maybe you'd like to help set up for the baroness tea on Saturday, but you'd also like to help with archery that day. We can work with whatever you'd like to do. If you are interested in being a rover, please contact me. I will add you to the BaronessWar 2025 Facebook group.



## From the Chronicler

Greetings from Ashley Longbow,

As I write this we are one week away from the new year. What 2025 will bring is anyone's guess, my hope for the Barony is that the upcoming year brings laughter, new traditions, new memories, and new friends.

His Excellency Baron Rurik invites all to attend Vulcanfeldt's Yule Feast, January 4, at the Grandview Community Center.

Her Excellency Dame Ashley (that's me 🙋) invites all to attend Baroness War, April 4-6, 2025 at the Grandview Event Center.

Vulcanfeldt also has indoor fight practices/social gatherings occurring at the Grandview Community Center this winter. Watch Facebook for details.

Do you have ideas for gatherings or events?

Would you like to see more feasts, demos, social events?

Do you know of a location for practices, gatherings, events?

We are always looking for indoor locations for winter activities and outdoor locations for our fair weather month gatherings.

*The Signal* is always looking for articles, art work, or photographs to publish. Please contact me at [vulcanfeldt.chronicler@antir.org](mailto:vulcanfeldt.chronicler@antir.org) with your ideas, articles, art work, or photos.

If you wish to submit an article please note the deadlines listed below.

The Signal will be published on the last Wednesday of the month, with the deadline for articles being the Sunday prior.

Deadline for January articles, January 26, *The Signal* will be published January 29, 2025.

Deadline for February articles, February 23, *The Signal* will be published February 26.



Dame Ashley Longbow, OP  
Chronicler, Barony of Vulcanfeldt

## **Garb**

### **The Road Less Traveled**

#### **HL Magdalyn Tynkere**

I was at a pass for an article to write this month. I asked around and Her Excellency Dred Baroness Fiona Ingen Conchbair suggested I do an article on my own garb. Great idea! Most people try and place my persona by looking at my garb. But I ride the road less traveled.

There are some very loved standards that most SCA participants wear. The apron dress, sideless surcoat, chiton, doublets from all over Europe are familiar to the eye. Most of our Turkish/Ottoman populous wear the kalpak (felt hat), full skirted coats and knee boots. Beautiful examples of late period Turkish clothing in catchy colors. But what if an Ottoman persona is very early period? 1300? How do you garb? Colors? Fabrics? That is my road less traveled.

My persona is from the very early beginnings of the Ottoman era. Bursa, Anatolia. The year 1310. She is court adjacent, but not noble. So, the clothing is much more practical than the nobility, yet the colors and fabrics keep it in the same beautiful flavor of the richer women.

Layered tunics, long sleeve and short, paired with a long vest or hip length vest. Over wide legged pants, either tied ankle or untied ankle. A soft cloth hat. You can wrap a scarf around it, or just wear the cap or you can wear headwraps. Simple one scarf headwraps or multiple scarves in contrasting colors. Decorations, if you're feeling fancy, can include brooches, feathers, silk flowers (China, as early as 1000 bce), just to name a few things. These are my go to's. The research, just like all research done on a subject that was not very well documented, has taken years of love.

It is well known the women of the court were not seen by the public but that doesn't mean that the women outside of the court were sequestered and their fashion is recorded by status and area. I get asked if I am Persian, Mesopotamian, or Greek. The short answer is, yes, my garb is. As a woman of Anatolia, these are our neighbors and fashion influenced by all of them. So, I may have seen a pretty headwrap while I was in the market and emulated it. My long sleeve tunic may have a Greek design on the hem or I may have Persian beads on my vest. This is a perfectly acceptable to blend small bits of the surrounding cultures to make a rich tapestry for your persona to live in.

That is the short of the story. I hope everyone explores the possibilities that our trade routes offered and enjoy the little pizzaz of, possibly, Italian glass beads on your Elizabethan partlet. Happy garbing!

# **The Barony of Vulcanfeldt Needs You**

## ***Current Office Openings***

### ***Lists - Chamberlain***

#### **Office Descriptions**

**Seneschals** are the legal representative for the branch. They are responsible for the coordination of the Society activities in their branch.

**Exchequers** are responsible for the handling of all SCA funds within their branch.

**Heralds** provide heraldic services to their branches including consultations, field heraldry, town cries, and court heraldry.

**Marshals** are responsible for making sure that all SCA combat and similar athletic activities are conducted in a manner that is safe and enjoyable for both the participants and the spectators.

**Arts and Sciences** officers are the local resource for arts & sciences in the branch. They may arrange classes, workshops, promote competitions, and hold monthly gatherings.

**Chroniclers** act as the secretary for the branch, attending monthly meetings, publishing meeting minutes and monthly newsletters.

**Chamberlain** ensures that the baronial items stored in the trailer and the storage unit are available when needed for events.

**Lists** manage contestant scores for heavy and rapier tournaments. Currently we host tournaments at Vulcanalia and Baroness War.

#### **Landed Barons and Baronesses**

A landed Baron and/or landed Baroness are the Crown's representative within a Barony and provide the inspirational leadership for a barony. They are empowered to hold courts, grant awards which are recognized in the Kingdom's Order of Precedence; and can have Sergeants, Yeomen, Gallants, Courtiers, and Lancers. Landed Barons and Baronesses are required to report to the Crown and their Royal Highnesses one month prior to each Coronation.

## **Vulcanfeldt Business Meeting Minutes Monday, December 9, 2024 - 7:00 PM**

In Attendance: Alric Ivarsson, Ashley Longbow, Iona Reginasdottir, Kata Byfluge, Jon Macleod, Rolf Longbow, Rurik Gjafvaldsson, Shannon Ni Connell, Steinnar Hrafensfuri  
Quorum met according to Minor Carta guidelines.\*

Meeting called to order at 7:01 PM by Rurik Gjafvaldsson, Seneschal.

Approval of November meeting minutes: Motion made to approve minutes, seconded, approved as submitted.

Baron and Baroness (Ulrich & Fiona): Baron & Baroness absent, no report.

Seneschal (Rurik): Insurance started for Grandview Fairgrounds for 2025 events. Rurik paid for Yule Feast insurance and Fight practice insurance.

Chronicler (Ashley): Minutes and The Signal completed and posted to Facebook discussion page.

Webminster (Shannon): Has access to the website. Officers updated and Chronicler area (minutes/newsletters) updated.

Exchequer (Jon): Checks are clearing. Provided financial report for Vulcanalia. If you would like financials please contact the Exchequer. Vulcanalia event reported a loss.

Chamberlain (OPEN): If interested in this office please send a letter of interest to Seneschal (Rurik) and Baron and Baroness (Ulrich & Fiona).

Herald (Cem): Absent, no report.

Master of Stables (Steinnar): No practices at this time. Looking for an indoor location.

Rapier (Cem): Absent, no report.

Archery (Alric): Closed down for the winter. Will be at the Arts & Sciences gathering Saturday, December 14, 2025.

Equestrian (Ulrich): Absent, no report.

Lists (OPEN): If interested in this office please send a letter of interest to Seneschal (Rurik) and Baron and Baroness (Ulrich & Fiona).

Chatelaine (Magdi): Absent. Would like to have a local meet and greet.

(Iona): Arts & Sciences gathering at Iona's home (contact Iona for address), Saturday, December 14, 10 AM - 3 PM. Food and Fun.

Scribe (Kata): Nothing to report.

Social Media (Uvhild): Absent.



Past Events: Nothing to report.

Upcoming Events:

\*Yule Feast, January 4, 2025 (Event Steward - Rurik Gjafvaldsson): Working on getting information to Shannon for web page.

\*Baroness War, April 4-5, 2024 (Event Steward - Ashley Longbow): Working on finalizing the team and getting a facebook group up and running for the team. Need to update Kingdom calendar events page. Shannon will link from the web page to the Kingdom event page.

Old/New Business:

Nothing to report

\*Per Barony of Vulcanfeldt Minor Carta - Customary for the Barony of Vulcanfeldt 'for any votes to be taken, a quorum must exist that includes at least four of the Major Officers and/or the Baronage. Each person holding a Major Office may cast one vote. The Baronage together counts as one vote.'

"Major Officers shall be defined as those holding the offices required to function as a Barony: The Seneschal, Exchequer, Herald, Chronicler, Minister of Arts and Sciences, Master of Stables, Web Minister, and Chatelaine. While not a required position, Chief Scribe is also considered a Major Officer."



**Their Majesties of An Tir**  
 King of An Tir – Eirik Daegarsson II  
 Queen of An Tir – Brynhildr Ansvarsdottir



**Their Royal Highness of An Tir**  
 Crown Prince of An Tir - Nicolai Rabenis Von Tachov  
 Crown Princess of An Tir - Ana de la Sara

**Officers for the Barony of Vulcanfeldt**

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***Branch Marshal***

Steinnar Ravensfury, KSCA

***Chronicler***

Ashley Longbow, OP

***Scribe***

Kata Bugthyra

***Exchequer***

Jon Macleod

***Webminister***

Shannon Ni Connell

***Herald***

Cem Hedar

***Archer***

Alric Ivarsson

***Equestrian***

Ulrich Hellelicht

***Social Media***

Uvhild Arrowseeker

***Rapier***

Cem Hadar

***Lists***

*OPEN*



**Vulcanfeldt Champions**

Arts & Sciences - Her Ladyship 'Izza al-Dimashqiyya  
 Baronial Protector - Her Excellency Aesa Ormriauga  
 Bardic Champion - His Lordship Cem Hedar  
 Equestrian Champion - Lady Chikkaya Kali  
 Heavy Champion - Lord Nafnlaus Hetison  
 Rapier Champion - Master Rowland Green

**SCA Mission Statement:**

The Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA) is an international non-profit volunteer educational organization. The SCA is devoted to the research and re-creation of pre-17th century skills, arts, combat, culture, and employing knowledge of world history to enrich the lives of participants through events, demonstrations, and other educational presentations and activities. In pursuing its mission, the SCA is committed to excellence in its programs, communications, and activities.

**SCA Core Values:**

- To act in accordance with the chivalric virtues of honor and service in all interactions with SCA members and participants;
- To be a responsible steward of SCA resources;
- To deal fairly with others, and value and respect the worth and dignity of all individuals:
- To practice inclusiveness and respect diversity;
- To promote a safe and respectful environment for all SCA members and participants;
- To act with transparency, fairness, integrity, and honesty;
- To maintain a harassment-free environment in SCA spaces; and,
- To avoid behavior that reflects adversely on the SCA or other SCA members and participants.

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Articles, photos, poems and event copy are welcome contributions to The Signal and will be published as space permits. *Per Barony of Vulcanfeldt Minor Carta - Customary for the Barony of Vulcanfeldt dated 2022* The Chronicler will publish The Signal monthly, and such that the following requirements are met:

- 1) The Signal must include any information given regarding Baronial events, meetings, or results of meetings in the newsletter. The Chronicler may edit at their discretion.
- 2) The Signal must publish changes in officers or policy, vacancies of an office, service Awards given, Orders established, or votes carried.
- 3) The Signal must publish minutes of the Baronial Council meetings.