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The Echoes

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Greetings from your new Chronicler

Hello! I'm Elizabeth Chandler. I recently took over Chronicler duties from the inimitable Baronin Ayla Roth, whose shoes I will endeavor to fill to the best of my ability. As I settle into this role, I welcome your ideas, feedback, and SUBMISSIONS - let's fill each issue with your art, articles, photos, and anything else SCA-related that you'd like to share with the Principality! I'd love to spotlight YOUR talent.

Please send submissions to summitschronicler@antir.org.

There are some other exciting features in the works, so stay tuned!

Words From Their Alpine Highnesses



Greetings unto the Populace of the Principality of the Summits, Your Griffin Princes, Finn and Eduardo, send greetings and salutations,

First and foremost, please join us in raising many HUZZAHS and VIVATs to Their Excellencies Amalric and Z the Heirs to the Summits Thrones. Much congratulations on your victory in Our Coronet Tourney. We look forward to Your Investiture and the glorious reign to follow. We would also like to congratulate Sir Rufus and Her Ladyship Livia for their chivalrous and inspirational fighting in the finals of Coronet. We were very pleased with the quality and excellence all the combatants' fights, and were overjoyed at the attention and inspiration provided by the consorts. As we say, THIS IS A TEAM SPORT! When you raise your sword on the field it is not just to win a fight, but to bring honor to the one that inspires you. When you take a sword strikes and you determine if it is good or not it reflects not only on you and your opponent, but also on the person standing on the side of the field. When you win a fight, or a tournament, and the joyous noise surrounds you this adulation is not just uplifting you, but also your inspiration.

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We would also like to congratulate all the Summits entrants and displayers in the Kingdom Arts and Sciences Championship. We had a great showing of the talents, skills and creativity from all across the Summits. It made us so proud! It is Our hope that the citizens of the Summits will continue to produce amazing work in the Arts and Sciences and will teach what they know to all those who are interested and learn and grow as artists, scientists and as excellent SCA participants. Shine on Summits, shine on!

Also, at the same event as the Kingdom Arts and Sciences Championship, the Queen's Rapier Championship was also held. It was so exciting to see a field filled with Summit's fighters. It was a large field and almost a third of the field were Summit's fighters. All fought well and made their Inspirations, Their Princes and the Summits proud.

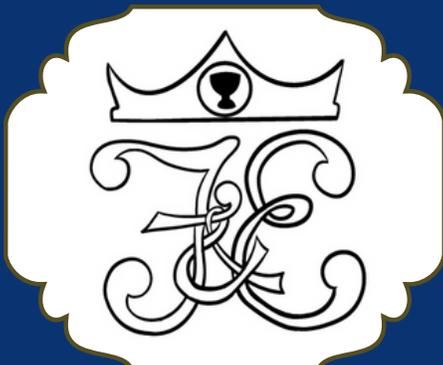
We have attended many more events since our last missive in The Echoes. So many we don't have the space to outline them all here. But we wanted you all to know how welcomed we have felt at all the events you have hosted. How your smiles and hugs and participation have made Our reign more than we expected. Please know we feel your love and support. We have attended almost every branch that has had an event during our reign and we can say with surety that the Principality is strong and vibrant. The Summits is growing in population, a trend we are sure will continue into the future.

As we close out this missive We hope to see you all at Tain Bo, May Crown, Egil's, June Faire or the Investiture of Our Heirs. We would also appreciate it if you can take a moment to create an account on the Kingdom website at <https://antir.org/register/> and once approved submit some websites. You are also welcome to email your Principality award recommendations to SummitsCoronet@antir.org. We will be sure to pass on any award recommendations we are not able to get to Our more than capable Heirs to distribute as they see fit.

In service to the Summits,

Prince Finn

Prince Eduardo



Words From Their Royal Excellencies



Greetings unto the most noble gentles of The Summits,

We would like to take this opportunity to introduce ourselves to those amongst you who we might not have had the pleasure to meet yet. We are Amalric and Z, your Tanists of The Summits! We have recently relocated from Mountain Edge to Adiantum, and have enjoyed the hospitality we've received throughout the Principality.

I am Amalric Blackhart (he/him) of House Blackhart, Duke and Knight of the Society. I love heavy combat, steel combat, archery, and the musical arts among other things. I have been playing since rocks were soft, from one end of the continent to the other. I look forward to this opportunity to serve the people of the Summits as your Tanist, and then Prince. You'll find I am generally lighthearted and prefer to smile rather than not. However, you will find in me a stalwart champion and a devoted Coronet.

I am Z (they/them/he) of The Summits. I am, by comparison, relatively new to the SCA. Though, I am happy to say, I have found my family here. I enjoy music, service, and can often be found fiddling with a little hand project. I enjoy giving gifts I've made and seeing the light in other's faces when they receive them. I will foster representation throughout Our reign; to make sure that all voices are heard. As Tanist, and then Prince, it is my intent to serve with love and respect towards all those good gentles who call The Summits home.

Their Highnesses, Finn and Eduardo, have been shining examples of grace and love. It is our desire to continue the culture of acceptance and joy that they, and so many of their predecessors, have built as the backbone of this incredible Principality.

From the mountains and rivers to the coastline, the high desert to the orchards, we will cherish each moment sharing in the Dream with you.

**Z and Amalric
Tanists of Summits**

March Coronet Shield Board



Before, during, and after March Coronet this year, our Princes emphasized the importance of the role of the inspiration in the tournament, and reminded us all that heavy combat is a team sport, especially when fighting for a coronet or crown. With that in mind, they had a new shield board made which accommodated not only the fighters' shields, but also the inspirations'. The photo (courtesy of his Highness Eduardo) shows the shields displayed in all their heraldic glory.

Submission Information

The Echoes is published four times per year, and distributed in January, April, July, and October. Additional issues may be published at the discretion of the Chronicler.

Deadline: The deadline for submissions is the 25th of the month prior to release, approximately one week prior to publication. Submissions should be emailed to the Chronicler at SummitsChronicler@antir.org.

Formatting: Acceptable formats include: Text attachments in Microsoft Word, Excel, or Rich Text Format (RTF); Photo/artwork attachments in JPG, GIF, or TIFF formats; text embedded in an email document. Please do not include special formatting (e.g. decorative fonts, multiple spaces, and the like) as those must be removed prior to insertion.

Content: Articles must be appropriate for the SCA's tax-exempt purposes (education and activities relating to the Middle Ages and Renaissance). The Chronicler reserves the right to edit all copy, and will print articles in accordance with the policies and guidelines set forth in the Society Chronicler's Handbook. Event Announcements: The Echoes will no longer carry event announcements.

All such information is available on multiple sites on-line and can be updated in a much more timely manner. Please consult the Kingdom Calendar.

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