

# THE TALON

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## Special “Polling of Confidence” Edition

As you may know already, our beloved Baron Edward is moving away from Hawkwood and thus must resign his position. Our equally beloved Baroness Lucrezia has declared her desire to remain as Baroness for the remainder of her term.

Our Seneschal offered the following statement on the 21st day of January:

*Good morning populace of Hawkwood!*

*For those who are unaware, Their Royal Majesties have decided to set a procedure for when one of the Landed Baronage steps down but the other member of the Landed Baronage wishes to complete the term. The new procedure will now include a Polling of Confidence. What this means is that paid members of the Barony will be asked for their input as to whether they feel confident that the remaining Baron or Baroness will be able to adequately fulfill the duties of the office.*

*I received word this morning that this Polling will begin on January 25th and will be conducted through the Electronic System for Polling. (ESP) This resource can be found by going to the Kingdom website, using the dropdown menu under ‘Populace Resources’, and choosing the option ‘Polling System (ESP)’. If you are in a Kingdom Polling Order, if you have an Atlantian University login, or if you have logged in to make an award recommendation, your username and password will be the same; they are all linked to the same user account. The Polling is not live yet. It will not be live until January 25th. It will be open until February 8th. If you have never used this system before, I strongly encourage you all to set up your profile and make sure that you are connected to the Barony of Hawkwood so that when the Polling does go live, you will be able to share your thoughts with Their Majesties without any issues.*

*Thank you all and stay warm!*

*In Service,*

Ld Fionn MacKonnell  
Seneschal, Barony of Hawkwood

Our Baroness has provided the following letter of intent:

*To Their Royal Majesties: King Randall de Gloucester and Queen Iul'iana Krasnaia*

*To Their Royal Highnesses: Prince Abran de la Barra and Princess Anya Shchulepnikov*

*To the Populace of Hawkwood*

*Unto their Royal Majesties, their Royal Highnesses, and the Populace of Hawkwood, do I, Baroness Lucrezia sarta di Napoli, send my greetings.*

*Unto the Populace of Hawkwood do I humbly submit my intent to continue as Baroness of Hawkwood via a Polling of Confidence. I know that joy is found in our Hawkwood events and the many other activities we engage in. I would continue to promote and help to ensure the comradery and joy that is found in Hawkwood.*

*I have served in two Kingdoms and been an active member of the SCA since 1997. In my previous Kingdom I helped at Gate and ran it for many events. I served as feast crat for several events and was on the feast staff for many more. I was seneschal to the Shire of Trysel from its incipency to completion as a Shire. I was also lyst mistress for both armored and rapier fighting and was an authorized rapier fighter in Trimaris.*

*I am apprentice to Mistress Caitlinn Dhubghill and protégé to Baron Siegfried Heydrieich both of Trimaris and both inactive at this time. Mistress Caitlinn is my mentor in fiber arts and scribal studies. I teach weaving at War of the Wings and also help where needed in other classes.*

*In Atlantia, I continued my scribal journey making scrolls for Kingdom and the Barony. I worked in scribal making clearing backlog scrolls one of my many missions. In our Baronial encampment we run the Wyrld Sisters Café at War of the Wings serving hot beverages and sweet treats throughout the day.*

*In the future I would like to work with our Baronial champions, our officers and our populace to grow Hawkwood. I see demos, Newcomer events and other exciting opportunities to make Hawkwood even greater. I know that together we can make Hawkwood even more successful. If anyone has any questions, please feel free to contact me via messenger, email at [Baroness@hawkwood.atlantia.sca.org](mailto:Baroness@hawkwood.atlantia.sca.org)*

*Yours In Service To Kingdom and Crown*

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Mundane name Sandy Wheeler

The usual January edition of the Talon, Volume 22 Issue 1, containing upcoming events and business meeting minutes, will be released between the 25th of January and the 5th of February, per Atlantia.

From the Hawkwood Facebook group:

*The memorial service for the Founding Baroness of Hawkwood, Eyrick MacGregor (mka Pat Bauman) will be held Saturday, February 8th, at 12pm at the Folk Art Center up on the Blue Ridge Parkway. The Populace is invited to attend.*

## Submissions for The Talon

Please submit any articles, letters, artwork, photographs, notes, suggestions, complaints, or musings to [chronicler@hawkwood.atlantia.sca.org](mailto:chronicler@hawkwood.atlantia.sca.org). Anything received on or prior to the 25th of the month will be considered for the upcoming issue.

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