

# Iron Baron



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Cover: The Baronial Arms of Iron Mountain

# Baronial Lineage of Iron Mountain

Louis de L'Anguille and Morgana de L'Anguille  
invested May 12, 1978

Robert Hightower  
invested March 26, 1983

*Saxus of Arunshire*  
*served as vicar in the period between Robert and Cipriano (1985)*

Cipriano de Alvarez  
invested September 5, 1986

Cipriano de Alvarez and Aelfrida Gruemach  
invested May 29, 1987

Jean Claude von Adlerstat and Jamys Ellen Rothesay  
invested March 5, 1993

Margery of Crosgate and Kojin the Wayfarer  
invested December 10, 1999

Killian the Black and Katherine of the Wode  
invested December 6, 2008

Francois le Souris and Lucilla da Cefalu  
invested December 3, 2011

Bjorn the Hunter and Genevieve Alaiz d'Avignon  
invested December 5, 2015

The information contained above is derived from the historical record of Iron Mountain including past Iron Barons, and the Meridies Order of Precedence site at <http://stentorian.us/stentorian/Torch.nsf>

Sir Erik Martel (Joe Goodwin): In over twenty years in the SCA I have had the honor to serve the Barony of Iron Mountain as its Sheriff, and as Knights Marshal, for two separate tenures. I have also had the opportunity to plan and prepare well over a dozen feasts during those same time periods. I even had the good fortune to be given the chance to Fairecrat Magna Faire. At the Kingdom level, I have served as the Deputy Authorization Marshall for armored combat, combat archery and siege engines for two years; the Deputy Kingdom Seneschal for waivers for the past five years; and most recently as the Deputy Earl Marshall for Armored Combat.

It has been my distinct honor to have been inducted into the Order of Scarlet Star, The Legion of the Bear, The Order of the Bough, The Order of the Sable Sword and the Order of the Chivalry. I was also honored to be chosen as general for several battles, notably Gatalop and Castle Wars.

Mistress Gwenndolynn ni hAilleachain, OP (nuh halle-yah-han) (Stacy Hall): I had the good fortune to find the SCA in 1988 in An Dun Theine, and finally join in membership in Shire Eagle, in 1990. While in Shire Eagle, I had the honor to serve as a dance mistress, and then Seneschal for two years prior to graduating and moving to Iron Mountain in 1994. Since then, I had the pleasure of serving the Barony as Exchequer, and autocratting several events, including the Investiture of Kojin and Marsali. I was honored to serve Meridies first as the Deputy Seneschal for Incipient Groups, and later, as Kingdom Seneschal where, among other adventures, I was pleased to usher Glenn Abhainn from Principality to Kingdom-hood. Most recently, I have the pleasure to become a Deputy Seneschal Ombudsman for the North Alabama district.

I have had the honor of being awarded the Sanguine Mountain and Oriad and am a member of the Order of the Pelican since 2003.

The Society has afforded both of us several opportunities and challenges, and we look forward to more of each in the future.

Iain MacArthur (Nicholas Milano)

SCA Member since: 1989 (30 years)

Awards (Local): Chivalrous Dove, Moonstone, Sable Axe

Awards (Kingdom): Award of Arms, Grant of Arms, Meridian Cross, Argent Slipper, Velvet Owl, Bard

Offices Held: Chronicler, Provost, Webminister, Knight Marshal

Proctor of Saltare (2003-2005)

Gulf Wars European Dance Coordinator (1998-2005)

Co-Autocrat: Magna Faire/Sword & Mistletoe/Herald Symposium/Baronial Investiture (1999)

Autocrat: Black Axe (2019)

I started in the SCA in the Barony of Caer Mear in Atlantia right before I joined the Navy and I traveled around the country. I lived in 8 different Kingdoms but I've spent the majority of my SCA life here in the Barony and this is home. I was the head of the Kingdom dance guild for 2 years and I coordinated European dance classes and revels at Gulf Wars for 7 years.

## Katrina of Iron Mountain

Katrina of Iron Mountain is celebrating her 40th anniversary in the SCA. She became a member of the Barony of Iron Mountain in June of 1979. She has twice served as Seneschal of the Barony and has autocratted and feast-cratted many events, including the first Magna Faire and the first War College. Even though she has lived in seven different groups in two Kingdoms, Iron Mountain is her home Barony, and she always comes home.

Katrina loves to dance; she founded Iron Mountain's Dance Guild, which was used as a model when Saltare, the Kingdom Dance Guild, was formed. She loves cooking, and is a Companion of the Scarlet Star. She also loves the bardic arts, and has served as Kingdom Bard. Katrina has twice served as Queen of Meridies. She is proud of signing the charter to establish the Coursing Guild during her first reign, and instituting Rapier fighting in Meridies during her second reign.

Katrina is also an enthusiastic admirer of armored combat and sponsors an annual fundraiser tournament benefiting the Wounded Warrior Project.

## A Missive from the Chronicler

Unto the populace of Iron Mountain I greet you with a hearty ahoy-hoy. For those of you I have not met, I am Christopher Aubrey, formerly Milo Garibaldi, your erudite chronicler. While my activity level has waxed and waned over the years, I have been a proud member of Iron Mountain since 1993. What is the point in all this, you may ask? As we prepare to welcome a new Baron and/or Baroness I wanted to reflect on how lucky we are to have such a good group of candidates to choose from. It has been my pleasure to call Sir Erik, Mistress Gwen, THLord Iain, and Duchess Katrina friends for many years and I just wanted to vouch for them all.

These are the sort of people who will invite you to their home to teach you Magic: The Gathering, or for a Christmas party, or to just play Diablo 2 when you're down. The sort of people you can call at 10 on a Sunday night and say "my storage unit got robbed, can you give me a hand?" The sort that will bring you dinner every week when you are at home exhausted with your newborn and can't see straight. The sort that will travel far and wide to share their passions with the rest of the kingdom, or who will server at the highest levels and not wilt when tough choices have to be made. (See how some of these apply across the board?) The kind to show poise and grace even when cake is being eaten off their finest garb. (My knight is a nut.) The kind who are the finest company when you are stranded on a bridge over the Mississippi and your car is overheating. The kind who find ways within their favorite hobby to make a difference in the real world, whether for veterans or kittens. I'm not sure if I've ever heard any of these people say no when asked to step up and serve. Whoever is chosen to serve in this role, I will be proud to stand beside them and help however I can.

In service,  
Christopher

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