

The Æstel



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Photo by Baroness Thalia Papillon

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THE SCA PROHIBITS HARASSMENT AND BULYING OF ALL INDIVIDUALS AND GROUPS.

The SCA prohibits bullying and harassment of all individuals and groups. Bullying is systematic and unwelcome behavior which involves the use of influence, threat, intimidation, or coercion to cause hurt or harm to another person or group of people. When the bullying behavior is based on a protected class (1), that behavior is defined as harassment.

(1) race, sex, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, age, or disability.

Bullying and Harassment may be **overt**, as in the following non-inclusive list of examples:

- Verbal abuse, including using racial, homophobic, transphobic, ableist epithets, etc.
- Non-consensual physical contact, violence, or threatening gestures.
- Displaying material that is offensive, degrading, or threatening to a protected class.
- Consistent demeaning remarks or malicious teasing - Stalking or predatory behavior

Covert:

- Spreading rumors or innuendo with malicious intent
- Deliberate exclusion, isolation, or alienation of an individual without just cause
- Using rank, title, or office to intimidate others

Provided that the behavior does not rise to the criteria listed above, bullying and harassment is not:

- Single episodes of social rejection, dislike, tactlessness, or forgetfulness.
- Mutual arguments, disagreements, or fights.
- The termination, mutual or not, of a romantic relationship or friendship.
- Reasonable constructive feedback or critique.

The test for bullying is the reasonableness of the behavior and the impact of that behavior on the recipient. Participants engaging in bullying/harassment are subject to appropriate sanctions. If an individual believes they have been subjected to or have witnessed harassment, bullying, or retaliation, that person should contact a senechal, the President of the SCA, or that kingdom's Board Ombudsman.

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Directors are assigned duties as Ombudsmen for Society Officers, Board Committees, and Kingdoms. They represent those individuals and groups to the Board, and promote communication and coordination between the Board and the functional personnel of the Society. SCA participants with concerns about a particular Kingdom, or Corporate office or function should contact the ombudsman responsible for that area

Æthelmearc Ombudsperson:

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<https://www.sca.org/board-meetings>

2023 Quarterly Board Meetings

~~First Quarter — Sunday, January 22, 2023~~

Second Quarter – Sunday, April 23, 2023

Third Quarter – Sunday, July 23, 2023

Fourth Quarter – Sunday, October 22, 2023

Although the SCA complies with all applicable laws to try to ensure the health and safety of our event participants, we cannot eliminate the risk of exposure to infectious diseases during in-person events. By participating in the in-person events of the SCA, you acknowledge and accept the potential risks. You agree to take any additional steps to protect your own health and safety and those under your control as you believe to be necessary.

Æthelmearc Royalty

Their Royal Majesties

Arnthor Inn Sterki & Ceirech Na Hinnsi



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Their Royal Highnesses

Andreas Morgan and Kallista Morganova



prince@aethelmearc.org - princess@aethelmearc.org

Æthelmearc Kingdom Champions

Queen's Rapier Champion:

Lord Nicolo Loredon da Venesia

King's Heavy Weapons Champion:

Duke Marcus Eisenwald

Archery Champion:

Mistress Elska a Fjarfelli

Thrown Weapons Champion:

THL Meinolf Grimsson

King's Equestrian Champion:

Baron Master Rhion Elandris of Glyndrvdwy &

Mistress Ysabeau Tiercelin

Queen's Equestrian Champion:

Lord Yarden of the Debatable Lands

Shield of Chivalry:

Baron Jakob Krahe

King's Bardic Champion (Dexter):

Master Morien MacBain

Queen's Bardic Champion (Sinister):

The Honorable Lady Maggie Rue

Kingdom Arts and Sciences Champion:

THL Fede di Fiore,

Youth Arts and Sciences Champion

John Robert

Youth Combat Champion:

Hjotr Sigvaldison

Youth Arts and Sciences Champion:

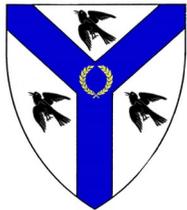
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Landed Barons & Baronesses of Æthelmearc



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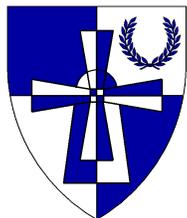
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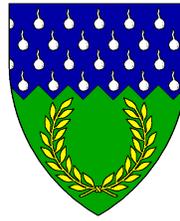
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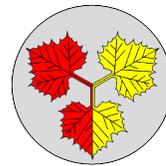


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Help recognize the hardworking
people of the Kingdom!

Please consider submitting an
award recommendation!



A complete listing of the awards and orders
of Æthelmearc can be found here:

[http://heraldry.aethelmearc.org/
resources/armory.html](http://heraldry.aethelmearc.org/resources/armory.html)

The award recommendation form can be
found here:

[https://aethelmearc.org/award-
recommendation-form/](https://aethelmearc.org/award-recommendation-form/)



From Their Majesties

Arnthor Inn Sterki & Ceirech Na Hinnsi



Unto the good Gentles of Æthelmearc do Arnthor and Ceirech, King and Queen, send warm Greetings in Our final Royal Missive.

Our time on the Sylvan thrones will soon end, but there is still much to do over the next three weeks. Gulf Wars is upon Us! As We write this We hastily prepare. For on March 9th We will be heading south. We look forward to sharing this adventure with you and know that the talent and skill of all who make this journey will bring great renown to Our Kingdom. We look forward to activities that will allow Æthelmearc to shine and to the opportunity to connect with Our cousins of the Known World. We anticipate much pageantry and many gatherings with a lot of merrymaking.

Upon Our return, We hope to see everyone at the Festival of the Passing of the Ice Dragon on March 25th. And then Our time as your King and Queen will end with the coronation of our exceptional Prince and Princess, Andreas and Kallista, on April 1st. Whom we know will do a magnificent job. It has been a tremendous honor to serve as your King and Queen. We have met so many incredible people, created new friendships, and reconnected with many more.

We have felt great joy in the elation of Gentles as they have been recognized in Our courts. We have witnessed the depth of talent in Æthelmearc that continually inspires Us to try new things and to push past our comfort zones. We've also witnessed the hard work and dedication it takes from so many to make this Kingdom run, put on an event, make a feast, set up a court, and so on.

We have seen Æthelmearc's resilience, strength, and heart. We deeply appreciate all of you and are so thankful to you for what you do. You build and maintain the dream and you are doing it fantastically.



Thank you for your time and support in helping Us during Our reign. We step down with renewed wonder and full and grateful hearts. May the coming of Spring see all of you well, fully back to what you love to do, and readying yourselves for the Wars on Our own land.

In Service to the Dream,
Arnthor and Ceirech,
Rex et Regina
Æthelmearc



From Their Royal Highnesses Prince Andreas & Princess Kallista



Fair Æthelmearc, Greetings from Andreas and Kallista, Heirs to the Sylvan Thrones.

With the melting of the winter snows and the coming of Spring, so too does the day of Our Coronation draw near. We would invite you to attend a glorious day of comradery and joy and join us as We witness a grand contest of arms to determine Our Heavy Weapons Champion.

We would also celebrate the success of Our parents Arnthor and Ceirech on their reign. It has been an honor and a privilege to follow them and We are truly inspired by their deeds. May they reign yet again!

As has been stated in our previous missive, We will soon be seeking heirs to follow Us. Our Crown Tournament will be held on May 6th in the Shire of Sylvan Glen. The requirements for Our Crown are few but we do ask that all entrants who have the heart and desire to sit the Sylvan Thrones, to submit your letters of intent no later than thirty days prior to the tourney. Consorts must be present. We would like to see a reasonable level of participation within the kingdom from both combatant and consort. For the combatant, no visible modern sports gear. For the victor of our tournament, it must be understood that due to mundane commitments our only options for your coronation will be the traditional date of September 16th or alternatively the 30th.

For Honor and Glory,
Prince Andreas and Princess Kallista

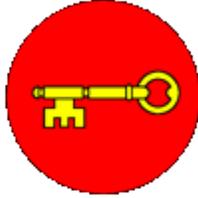


Officer Reports

From the Kingdom Seneschal

Greetings Æthelmearc,

Spring is coming. This means we are moving towards a more active season and I recommend you spend a little bit of what is left of winter fixing your gear, working on your mending, perfecting your arts - and double-checking your authorization and blue cards, and making sure you're up to date. The worst time to try and update your blue card is in line for Troll - or when you're walking up to the MOL and realizing your authorizations expired last week.



The SCA has also rolled out an easier way to sign up for background checks. As Pennsic is coming up soon and we will most definitely need more assistance with youth marshals and youth programs, please consider getting your background check sooner rather than later. To start the process, simply email the Kingdom Seneschal, with a brief reason why you need a background check, and we can begin the process.

Finally, my Warrant as Kingdom Seneschal expires at the end of October. I am calling for letters of intent, which will be due by April 15th. Please email myself at seneschal@aethelmearc.org, and the royalty at royalty@aethelmearc.org. I recommend including your SCA resume, as well as your mundane one. Being Seneschal of this amazing and glorious Kingdom has been incredibly worthwhile, as well as being a labor of love. If you are interested in the position but have questions on what it is like, please do not hesitate to reach out to me and ask.

Thank you so much and stay safe,
Illadore de Bedegrayne
Kingdom Seneschal

From the Kingdom Archivist / Secretary of Waivers

Greetings Sylvan Æthelmearc!

By the hands of Their Majesties and our diligent Seneschal, I have undertaken the role of Archivist/Secretary of Waivers for our good Kingdom. I hope I am equal to the task and can do it the justice it deserves.

Due to the heartbreaking nature of the previous Archivist's departure, I do not have access to any emails other than between January and October 2022, nor paper or digital files or databases of any nature (with the exception of waivers from Pax Interruptus 2022, Bacon Bash 2022, and the Hunters Home Election 2022 - those have been received and logged, thank you).

As such, I will need the following from any and all who may have them:

Waivers waivers waivers! Calling all waivers!

Event and meeting waivers for Non-Members, Minors, COVID releases.

If you hold an office and/or deputy-ship within the Kingdom, your Barony, Shire or Canton -- and have to sign a warrant with a term limit -- please email me with your most recent warrant so that I can log and save it for Kingdom records.

I'm currently running on the information on the Kingdom website, and some of the term expiration dates appear to have passed. Within the next few days I will be sending reminders to those whose dates are passed.

If you have, in the past, sent something that the Archivist/Waiver Sec must maintain... please forward it to me (and just let me know what it is, so that I can add it to my records appropriately).

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Any digital files can be emailed to: archivist@aethelmearc.org and if you have hard copies you'd prefer to mail, please contact me directly for my mailing address.

With my thanks for your patience as we restart our Archiving Endeavors, I remain,

In devoted service,
THL Catherine O'Herlihy
Deputy Seneschal
Archivist/Secretary of Waivers
Kingdom of Æthelmearc

From The Chronicler

Hello Æthelmearc,

We at the Æstel are happy that newsletters are back up and available to read. It was not easy road for an already challenged information source, but things are working again and that is reason to celebrate. You can find all the current Kingdom newsletter on the main SCA website located here:



<https://sca.app.neoncrm.com/np/clients/sca/neonPage.jsp?pagelid=7&>

Stayed tuned for updates on the Newsletter archives. They are not available yet but are coming soon.

What else is in store from the Chroniclers office in 2023? A new year of William Blackfox awards is coming up. The William Blackfox awards recognize excellence not only in newsletter, but in the items contributed to newsletters. Each year my office is tasked to nominate people for these awards and winners for each category are decided on by the Society Chronicler. It is a fun, but sadly little-known part of the SCA. Read more about the awards as well as past winners here:

<https://www.sca.org/the-william-blackfox-awards>

Likewise, this year I would also like to get back to deciding on and handing out Sylvan Quill awards. Like the Blackfox awards the Sylvan Quill award recognizes Excellence in Æthelmearc newsletter, Chroniclers, and contributors. Announcements about this process and how YOU can nominate people will come shortly.

My ongoing reminders,

I continue to encourage people to contribute to their local newsletters when they can. Contributions for the Æstel are welcome but space is limited, and the needs of local publics is far greater. If you live in an area that does not have a newsletter but are interested in contributing material feel free to reach out to my office and we will help you get in touch with Chroniclers who need content.

Please remember the deadline for the Æstel is the 5th of each month (unless a notice is sent to the Official Kingdom Mailing list indicating an earlier date). It is important to note that this deadline is for the following month's issue. For example, the deadline for the April issue of the Æstel is March 5th. The finalized newsletter must go to Corporate by the 10th of each month. Why is this important? When submitting events to the calendar if you submit event information after the deadline it is not going to make it into the Æstel for the proper month. Any updates to a current event submitted after the deadline will also not make it into the Æstel. Life happens and we will always work to accommodate people, but if your group can meet and decide on information, and meet Æstel deadlines, that is appreciated (looking at you Kingdom officers as well).

Until next issue! Thanks for reading.

Magnus de Lyons

Kingdom Events

The following statement is required to appear on all event notices, flyers, online announcements, and advertisements, as well as being posted in multiple locations, including Troll [Registration], at all events:

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Important Reminder

COVID and its impact on events remains a concern in our Society.

Due to the natural pause between publishing deadlines and the decision making process for postponing or canceling of events, **all event information in the Æstel is subject to change.**

There is no way to avoid this. The Æstel will make every effort possible to publish current event information, but please always check other sources (websites, Kingdom event calendar, Facebook event pages, etc.) for the most up to date information on events.

The Coronation of Andreas Morgan and Kallista Morganova

April 1st, 2023

Hosted by: The College of
Silva Vulcani

Dry, No Flames, No Weapons, R2, Service Animals Only / No Pets, TRH Royal Progress, TRM Royal Progress, Wheelchair Accessible

Come, dear Aethelmearc, and heed our words! Our brave and good King Arnthor Inn Sterki and Queen Ceirech Na Hinnsi will soon be retiring to their lands, and their heirs, Prince Andreas Morgan and his Princess Kallista Morganova will begin their reign.

We, the College of Sylva Vulcani, have been given the great honor of creating a day where this solemn day may be celebrated, and so we invite all of you to come, to witness this brave and good occasion as we celebrate the past and future!

There will be dancing, games, contests for subtlety and largess, and, of course, Their Majesties will on this occasion choose Their Heavy Champion!

Please join us on April 1st, 2023 at the Convocation Center at what we now call PennWest University California. (Formerly California University of PA.) More info here: <https://www.facebook.com/events/935017674570301>

The site 9:00 am and closes at 8:30 pm.

Address: 250 University Avenue/
California, PA 15419. Take your best

route to Pennwest University California, at the address listed.

How much will such a day of pageantry and joy cost?

Site fee: 14.00 for non-members
9:00 for members
Members of our fine community who are under 17 are guests and pay nothing.

Food: As we are hosting on a University Campus, then we must pay for food through AVI. You can absolutely bring your own food! But if you want the convenience of a quick boxed lunch, please consider the following choices:

For lunch: (9.00 per box, no discount for our younger members, sorry)

Roast Turkey and Cheese on Kaiser Roll
Ham and Cheese on Kaiser Roll
Veggie Sub
Chicken Salad
Egg Salad

All boxed lunches come with Chips, Whole Fruit, Cookies, Choice of Sandwich, Bottled Water. You **MUST** pre-reg to guarantee food and guarantee your choice.

Feast: 14.00. Again, you must pre-register to guarantee food for you.

Includes: tossed salad with balsamic vin, bread/dinner rolls, potato or rice, baked chicken, mixed vegetables, beverage station with ice water and iced tea.

Please direct dietary concerns to Gabby, info below.

All other questions may be directed to your loyal co-autocrats, Gabby Winter (gabbywinter@gmail.com or 724-562-5238 – please leave a message) and Cyrus Auger (Cyrus_augur@yahoo.com)

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Please write your checks out to: The Shire of Kings Crossing and send them to James Boyd, 222 Stone Church RD. Brownsville PA 15417.

Pre-reg deadline: March 27th, 2023.

Please indicate which even you are going to on your check.

Queen's Rapier Championship and Equestrian Games

April 8, 2023

Hosted by Barony Marche of the
Debatable Lands

Dry, No Flames, No Weapons, R2, Service
Animals Only / No Pets, TRM Royal
Progress

Come and join their Highnesses Andreas and Kallista for the selection of Her Rapier Champion and to enjoy some Equestrian games at Clear View Stable, 320 Whittengale Rd, Oakdale, PA 15071 on 8 April 2023.

The main event will be the Queen's Rapier Championship where we will have a procession of the combatants and their consorts prior to the championship.

THL Gesa von Wellenstein will then host equestrian games so we may all see the skill and pageantry of our riders.

There will be an A&S Competition and possible largesse derby coordinated by Ishiyama Shonagon and Lady Fine ingen Faelain.

There will also be a bear pit for our Heavy Weapons fighters.

Signora Benedicta di Venezia (Harper) will be providing a bag/box lunch for those that order in advance (order form here: <https://forms.gle/vKREsyQBcDM7KqpA8>). The cost for

each lunch will be \$5 and the lunch will only be provided for those who pre-register. No additional lunches will be made or offered for sale at the event. If you have any questions, please contact either the autocrat, Meesteres Odriana vander Brugghe (odriana@members.aethelmearc.org), or the Head Cook, Signora Benedicta di Venezia (lake.strobel@gmail.com).

Registration for lunch will be closed two weeks before the event on Friday, 24 March 2022. Payment will be due at Troll upon check-in.

The event steward is Meesteres Odriana vander Brugghe (Jennifer Bahor) who can be reached via email (preferred) at odriana@members.aethelmearc.org or via phone/text at 412-486-0566 (no calls after 9p, please).

The Equestrian MIC is THLady Gesa von Wellenstein (46 Caitlin Dr., West Deer, PA 15044, gwellenstein@yahoo.com). We will be sharing more information about site requirements for bringing your horse on-site.

The Reservations Clerk is Lady Forveleth Dundee (Miranda Gavrin), and reservations can be sent to her at 326 Lincoln Avenue, Carnegie, PA 15106. If you have any questions about reservations, she can be contacted via email at forveleth@gmail.com.

Adult Registration
Event Fee: \$15
With SCA Member Discount Fee: \$10
Lunch Fee: \$5 (please see lunch information above)

Youth Registration
Event Fee: Children 0-17 Free
Family Cap: All children after two are free.

Please make Checks Payable to "SCA PA Inc. Debatable Lands"

Brewing Bacon Bash 8

April 15, 2023

Hosted by Shire of Hunter's
Home

Contained Flames, Not Wheelchair Accessible, R2, Service Animals Only / No Pets, Wet

Brewing Bacon Bash VIII
Shire of Hunter's Home
April 15th, 2023
9:00am – 8:00pm
Utica Volunteer Firehall,
3860 Academy Street, Utica, PA

THE BASH

This will be our "traditional" Heavy Combat Random Weapons Bearpit at the Borderwatch Training Hall. You and your opponent will have to roll a D20 to determine with what weapon you will use in the list. You have to roll the dice with every fight! It might be a spear, a dagger, a sword, a chicken... We will also provide the rubber chicken if you happen to roll the unlucky "13". You need to hit them in the face with the chicken if you want to win that fight. We will have a supply of pre-inspected weapons you can borrow if you roll a weapon you didn't bring yourself.

THE BACON

Return of the Build-a-BLT sideboard?

THE BREWING

The sampling for the competition will be held in the outside shelter. This competition will be for beer/ale, cider, and wine/mead only. Judging will commence at 3PM, and will run in 15 minute increments for each entry. We will use the judging rubric currently posted on the brewers' guild website. <http://brewers.aethelmearc.org/competition.html>
Brewers should come prepared for active judging, meaning the brewer should be prepared to answer questions during the judging. Entries will be judged one at a time, and we will make every effort to judge multiple entries from a single brewer back-to-

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back. We can also attempt to schedule fighters later in the judging to give them maximum time to come off the lists. Documentation must be written, and should cover style, ingredients, and techniques/procedures for production. Where modern ingredients or techniques are used, the brewer should supply documentation for the period equivalent and an explanation of why the modern substitute was used (period ingredient is illegal in the USA, good vs. poor sanitation, etc.) Primary and secondary sources are preferred. We will not include presentation in the judging of Aesthetics, but all entries should be labeled with (as a minimum) the name of the brewer, the style of beverage, and whether or not sulfites have been added. For entries that require chilling, competitors should come prepared with their own cooler. Traditionally this competition decided the The Brewers' Guild Region 2 champion (the entrant from Region 2 scoring highest in the competition) and included an additional prize for the overall winner regardless of region.

WHAT ELSE?

Well there are murmurings of more updates coming.

- Adding a Bardic Competition of Drinking Songs?
- Adding A&S Classes on sewing?
- Adding Thrown Weapons?
- Adding Yard Sale Tables?

Costs – NO RESERVATIONS YET!
Adult Event Registration is \$10,
Adult Member Discount Event Registration is \$5,
Children 11-17: \$5,
Children 10 and under: Free.
Make checks payable to SCA-PA, Inc. – Shire of Hunters Home. Reservations may be sent to the Autocrat. AUTOCRAT for this event will be Thorfinnr y Elsfjord (Tod Elford) PO Box 1, Utica, PA 16362, 814-720-9017, thorfinnr.elsfjord@gmail.com
CO-AUTOCRAT is Baroness Mistress Constance Waite (Lois Am-ent) constancew@zoominternet.net

Additional notes on Wheelchair Accessibility: Not officially ADA, but it is accessible.

St. Clare “Lite”

April 15, 2023

Hosted by Shire of Abhainn
Ciach Ghlais

Dry, No Flames, No Weapons, Not Wheelchair Accessible, R3, Service Animals Only / No Pets

Since 2016, embroidery-lovers have created a community that extends to 6 Kingdoms ... and beyond!

This year, in lieu of a weekend-long All-Embroidery Slumber Party, the Shire of Abhainn Ciach Ghlais will host a one-day event — St. Clare “Lite” — on Saturday, April 15

We invite you to join us at Trinity Lutheran Church (120 South Main St, Hughesville, PA 17737) as we enjoy this opportunity to gather, share, and drool! The site opens at 9 AM and closes at 6 PM.

St. Clare “Lite” will offer
— an all-day Embroidery Display
— a Keynote speaker
— morning and afternoon classes
— a Stitching Solar for those who prefer to bring a project to work on
— a simple sideboard lunch
— mid-afternoon tea

Thanks to the generosity of members of the St. Clare community, this event will be FREE to the first 50 registrants!

Attendance will be capped at 50. After that, we will start a waiting list.

Interested in attending? Register SOON!

A link to the classes being offered can be found on the Registration Form. Sign up when you arrive on site for the classes you would like to attend.

Please email Mistress Filipia Capriotti at Typhoonjane@gmail.com if you are interested in teaching.

Closer to the event date, we will email the lunch menu to all attendees. Our Hospitality Table, with hot beverages and nibbles, will be available throughout the day. Those with dietary restrictions are welcome to bring their own lunch and sweets for tea.

Your comfort and well-being matter to us!

We will follow all MANDATORY COVIDSafe policies of the SCA, Inc, in place at the time of the event.

At the request of Aethelmearc's DEI Officer, Corsi-Rosenthal Box air filters will be in use in the 2 main gathering rooms during the event.

In addition:

- Masks will be available at the door.
- If an instructor requests that you mask during their class, we ask that you respect their wishes.
- If you aren't feeling well the morning of the event, please stay home!

Contact the autocrat, Mistress Alicia Langland (Della Hutchison) at hutchnsn@bucknell.edu (preferred) or 570-742-4567 (please leave a message) if you have questions or concerns.

Health Acknowledgement:

Although the SCA complies with all applicable laws to try to ensure the health and safety of our event participants, we cannot eliminate the risk of exposure to infectious diseases during in-person events. By participating in the in-person events of the SCA, you acknowledge and accept the potential risks. You agree to take any additional steps to protect your own health and safety and those under your control as you believe to be necessary.

Additional notes on Wheelchair Accessibility: There is a ramp to the main hall from the parking lot, but there are stairs

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from the main hall to the other areas of the church.

Additional Notes on Pet Policy: Please contact the Autocrat if you have questions or concerns.

Blackstone Raid XX (30)

April 20th to April 23, 2023

Hosted by Barony of Blackstone Mountain

Damp/Discreet, Open Flames, Pets Allowed, R1, TRM Royal Progress, Weapons Allowed, Wheelchair Accessible

30 Year Anniversary of our Glorious Battles with the Kingdom of the Middle. Once again, we call to Aethelmearc to come to our aid and enjoy a weekend of fun and companionship.

Pre-registration will open on January 1st, 2023 and will close on April 6th, 2023. Pre-registration for bunks or cabins must be paid within 14 days or they will be released. Send Pre-registrations to:

Rose Delaney
Lady Ro'is inghean u'Dhubhsia'ine
PO Box 1191, St. Albans, WV 25177
(304) 550-3694
(No calls after 10pm)

Make checks or money orders payable to: SCA-WV Inc. Barony of Blackstone Mountain

Pre-registration (January 1st – April 6)
Adult (non-member): \$20
Adult (member): \$15
Youth 7-17: Free
0-6: Free
Family Cap: \$50 (nonmembers) \$40 (members)
Bunk: \$10 (while they last)
Full Cabin Rental (26 – 30 beds): \$400 (Please call Reservationcrat Lady Ro'is listed above for availability.)

After April 6th and on-site:
Adult (non-member): \$25
Adult (member): \$20
Youth 7-17: Free
0-6: Free
Family Cap: \$60 (nonmembers) \$50 (members)
Single Bunks: \$10 (if available)
Tent camping available at no charge.

6 RV with Electric Hookups with water provided for tanks are run by Camp Sheppard, for reservations, Please call Baroness Alana Horsecroft / Peggy Stamper at (304) 395-8993 for availability (No Calls after 9pm) Cost is \$20.

For more additional information go to

<http://blackstoneraid.org>

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1po5cX8eTCuOo3riGFTcJLwY1dVC296rv/view>

Additional notes on Wheelchair Accessibility: All buildings have wheelchair accessible ramps, showers & bathrooms
For more additional information go to
<http://blackstoneraid.org>
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1po5cX8eTCuOo3riGFTcJLwY1dVC296rv/view>

Melee in the Mountains

April 28th to April 30th, 2023

Hosted by Shire of Ballachlagan.

Not Wheelchair Accessible, Open Flames, Pets Allowed, R1, Weapons Allowed, Wet

Shire of Ballachlagan welcomes all the Melee in the Mountains. The event Opens at 6:00 on 4/28/23 and closes at 12:00pm on 4/30. There will be fencing, heavy fighting, and thrown weapons.

The event's address is 140 Co Rte 62/17, Wellsburg, WV 26070.

The autocrat is Slaine Ravenshaw (Jessica Schultz) and her address is 107 N. 10th St. Wheeling WV 26003.

Make checks payable to SCA WV, Inc - Shire of Ballachlagan.

Adult event registration- \$15 dollars
Adult Member discount event registration- \$10

Children (5-17)- \$5

Children (4 and under)- Free

Additional notes on Wheelchair Accessibility: The event is outside and there are hills.

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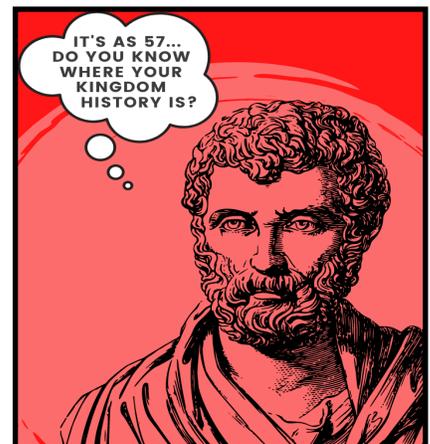
April 29, 2023

Hosted by Shire of Nithgaard

No Flames, Not Wheelchair Accessible, Service Animals Only / No Pets, Wet
9:00 am - 7:00 pm
VENUE: Lambert Hall
303 Forge Road
Bellefonte, PA 16823

The Autocrat is Baroness Elena de la Palma
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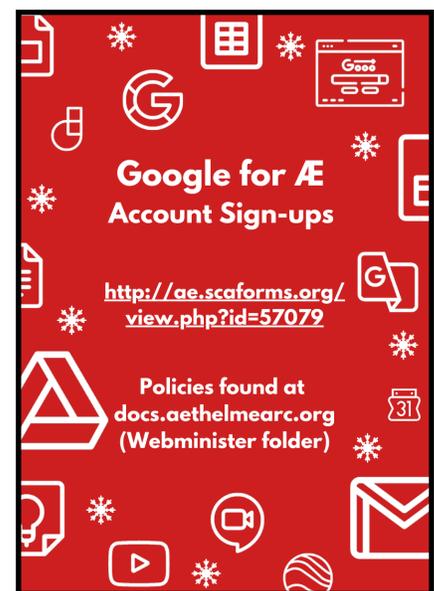
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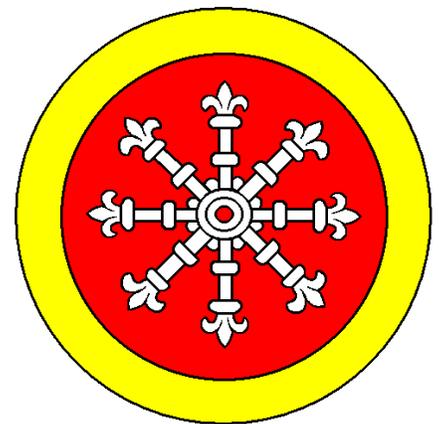
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Events - “at a glance” April 2023

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- April 1st, 2023** The Coronation of Andreas Morgan and Kallista
Morganova, Hosted by: The College of Silva Vulcani
- April 8th, 2023** Queen’s Rapier Championship + Equestrian Games
Hosted by The Barony-Marche of the Debatable
Lands
- April 15, 2023** Brewing Bacon Bash 8
Hosted by Shire of Hunter’s Home
- April 15th, 2023** St. Clare “Lite”
Hosted by Shire of Abhainn Ciach Ghlais
- April 20th, 2023** Blackstone Raids XXX (30)
Hosted by Barony of Blackstone Mountain
- April 28th to April
30th, 2023** Melee in the Mountains
Hosted by Shire of Ballachlagan
- April 29, 2023** A+S Faire + Queen’s Prize Tourney
Hosted by Shire of Nithgaard



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