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THE KINGDOM OF CALONTIR



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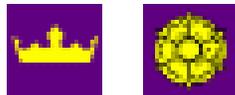


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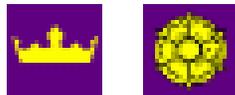
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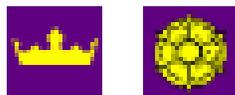
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Barony of Vatavia Presents

Winter War Maneuvers



February 18, 2023

8am-5pm

YMCA - Farha Sports Center
Indoor Fields

3405 S Meridian Ave Bldg 300

Wichita KS, 67217

Registration:

- Adult Non Members \$20.00
- Adult Members \$15.00
- Youth aged 15 and under free
- (There is no Family Cap)

Registration at gate with cash or checks payable to *SCA Inc, Barony of Vatavia*

Site Includes: Two large indoor soccer fields, On-site concessions & hangout room.

- We recommend bringing your chairs. No outside food is allowed in the building.
- **This is a dry site.**

Website: <https://sites.google.com/view/winterwarmaneuvers2023/home>

Event Stewards:

HE Genevieve de Chambery, Kristina Griffith,
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Lady Astrid Arrowbreaker, Meridith Albers

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The Barony of Three Rivers
invites you to



CHIEFTAINS 2023

Travels in 1000 AD

February 25, 2023
Arlington United Methodist Church
3770 McKelvey Rd, Bridgeton MO 63044

Activities include:
The traditional Battle of the Chieftains on the Armored List
Stile List Tournaments
Arts and Science Competitions
Youth Activities
Merchants

A Groaning Board - Rather than a feast we are providing foods from across the known world at no extra charge, 11am until Court

Quiet Space - The Sanctuary is designated a quiet retreat until Court

Our new site is **strictly dry**, but you are welcome to gather at the Parsonage, adjacent to the church, and lift a brew with the Parson, Corbin, after fighting and before court.

The Gate will open at 9AM. Site will close after court.
Royals, Merchants, and staff may enter at 8AM.

REGISTRATION: Adult - \$25 Adult, Member Discount - \$20
Youth & Children under 18 - free

Cash & Checks only will be accepted at the door.
Checks should be made payable to Barony of Three Rivers.

Directions:

https://maps.app.goo.gl/3H4kbPDZhEvTwuY86?q_st=ic

Event Steward: Kajsa Nikulasdotter MKA Susan Nicholson
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Event website B3R.org/sites/chieftains2023/index.html

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Calontir

Spring Coronation 2023

April 8, 2023

8:00am - 7:00pm

University Congregational Church
9209 E 29th St. N Wichita, KS 67226

Presented By Barony of Vatavia



Adult Registration - \$20.00

Adult Member Registration - \$15.00

Youth 5-17 - \$5.00

4 and under - Free

Make Checks payable to:

SCA Inc, Barony of Vatavia

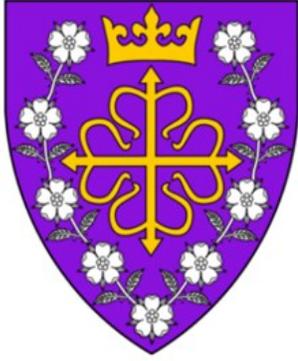
Feast: \$15.00 - Limited to 50

Tavern will be available for lunch

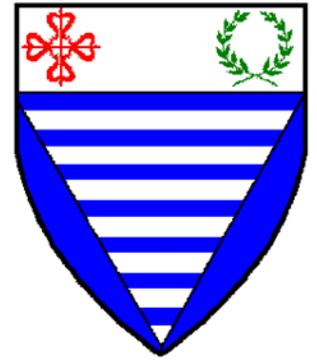
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Queen's Prize



Join the
Shire of Spinning Winds

April 29th, 2023

At Pottorf Hall
1710 Avery Ave, Manhattan, KS 66503

Registration

\$15 Adult

\$10 Adult Member Discount

\$5 Youth 10-17

Children 10 and under Free

Make checks payable to Shire of Spinning Winds

DRY SITE

A&S Competition

Fighting

Thrown Weapons Competition

Children's Activities

An Inn will be provided

\$5 / person Menu TBA

Gluten Free and Vegetarian options will be available!

Event Steward Contact Info

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(Mary Prohaska)

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EAST MEETS WEST: FEED THE BEASTS

Shire of Westumbria

April 1, 2023



Where: Raymond Gymnasium
709 Main St
Raymond, KS 67573

Directions: Look for SCA signs on HWY 56 directing you south on 4th road. Follow 4th road as it curves left and merges into 8th St/Ave R. Appx 4.5 miles. The gym will be on your right as you enter town.

Site Opens: April Fool's Day, 2023, 9 am – 6pm

Registration: Checks made out to "SCA, Inc Shire of Westumbria"

Adult Non-Member Registration: \$20.00

Adult Member Registration \$15.00

Youth (6-17): \$5.00 **Child (5 and under):** Free

Family Cap: \$60.00 (\$50.00 Adult Member)

Merchants are welcomed.

The site includes indoor restrooms.

Smoking allowed only outdoors.

Site is Dry

Classes available throughout the day.

◆ Activities:

- ◆ Heavy Weapons
- ◆ Cut and Thrust
- ◆ Archery
- ◆ Thrown Weapons

◆ Arts and Science:

- ◆ Bear in any medium
- ◆ Dragon in any medium

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Co-Event Steward

Nishka and Jason McKenzie

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Feast will be a blend of Eastern and Western influences.

Primary protein will be chicken



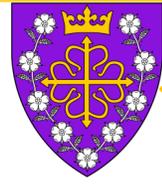
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From Their Majesties Calontir



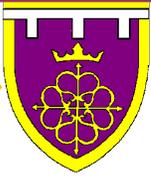
What a wonderful Kingdom Calontir is. Even with the weather cold, the days short, and the events few, you have made the most of your time and efforts. The wondrous fashions and abilities on display at Clothiers. The dedication to and support of the army shown at Winter War Maneuvers. The joy and pageantry of Chieftains. You have done Us proud, all of you.

But now the time of war is upon Us, Calontir. Now must We put all of our preparations to the test. The glory to be gained at Gulf Wars lies waiting for us to harvest and enjoy. We hope that many of you will join Us in the kind of fun and enjoyment that can only be found amongst Our friends from all over the Known World.

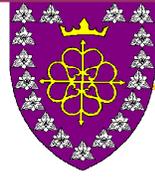
And with the culmination of the war, Our time on the Falcon Thrones grows short. Please assist their Royal Highnesses Agamemnon and Marie by submitting award requests for those you deem worthy. There is no more helpful thing the populace can do.

-- Logan and Ylva --

konung and drottning, Calontir



From Their Highnesses Calontir



Greetings unto the people of the Heartland!

War is upon us, preparations have been made and we march south to the lands of Gleann Abhann. Remember to take in all that Gulf has to offer, activities, parties, a bakery and so much more! But while away at war we would remind all that when we return it will be time to prepare for Queens Prize.

A Personal thank you to all of the Barony of Three Rivers for hosting us for Winter Court and Chieftains! Your hospitality is legendary.

In service
A and M

Ciao Calontir,

Spring is bursting out all over the place and I am looking forward to seeing many friends, old and new, at events this year.

To sing songs, share stories, and sip a fine beverage with friends is one of life's greatest pleasures.

In servizio dove posso,

Giulia



Greetings all,

A friendly PSA from the **Card Marshal's Office.**

Make sure you can print out a copy of your authorization card before heading to Gulf Wars or Winter War Maneuvers. We recently changed systems and it is possible you may not have been caught up in the change, so get in there and check to see if your name is in there. We have had a rare few that did not get transferred over.

Also the Webminister Team has been doing an amazing job at catching issues and fixing them. One that was fixed today was the inability to access the cards from the Calontir Webpage via a smart device. You now can find a link in the menu at the top of the page.

This is a reminder do this before you leave for Gulf as reception can be spotty on site, the time to find out is now, not before the first battle of the war.

Heraldry is cool!

I believe I mentioned that last month. I also discussed all sorts of things about the field division “per pale.” One thing I didn’t say is that if you want me to discuss the origin of a particular heraldic thing or have a comment about one I’ve already talked about, please send me an email at goldfalcon@calontir.org.

This month’s heraldic rock star remains Sancha Lestrangle from the Barony of Three Rivers, simply because there’s no event in Calontir in March. I do, however, hope many of you will join Their Majesties at Gulf Wars.

You’ll see a bunch of really cool heraldry there, like the Calon Host marching behind our banners. This month I thought I’d take the time to explore Calontir’s device a bit, so I’ll give you two discussions for the price of one. Let’s start with [purpure](#), or purple.

It won’t come as any surprise to know that “purpure” comes from Old French for “purple,” which comes from Latin “purpura,” which derives from Greek “porphyra,” but unfortunately we can’t go much past that. It might come from Semitic, which is not an Indo-European language and the connection isn’t definite. By the way, the bulk of my stuff about etymology comes from here: etymonline.com. Yes, I randomly roam around this site when I’m not actually looking for anything in particular, why do you ask?

Back to purpure. Since heraldry isn’t complicated at all (I almost said that with a straight face), I’ll just mention any discussion of heraldry has to recognize the differences between the various colleges of heralds out there. English heraldry has some differences from French, which has some differences from German, and so on. It’s relevant with purpure as French heralds treat it a bit differently as do Finnish ones. I’ll leave it at that and get to really fun part, the cross of Calatrava.

We get the cross from the [Order of Calatrava](#), a military branch of the Cistercian order. It was confirmed by papal bull in 1164. The order’s device is argent, a cross of Calatrava gules.

Why Calatrava? That's easy enough. The order was founded in Calatrava la Vieja in Castile. That leads us to the etymology of Calatrava. It comes from the Arabic "Qal'at Rabah," which means "fortress of Rabah." Rabah was an Arab nobleman who lived in the area in the 700s, but that's about all I can tell you about him. The order's history at: en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Order_of_Calatrava is quite interesting with lots of fun stuff happening. There's winning battles, losing battles, infighting, the odd schism, that sort of thing. It'd make a great series on Netflix.

In 1931, the Second Spanish Republic suppressed all the Spanish orders of chivalry. Combine this with the fact that all the possessions of the order were liquidated in 1838, and that suggests the order is dead, right? It's joined the choir invisible. It wouldn't vroom if you put four million volts through it. It is an ex order!

However, in 1980, King Juan Carlos I brought the Spanish orders of chivalry back and the king of Spain, currently King Felipe VI, is the Grand Master of the Order of Calatrava. We'll get back to this in a moment.

The Calatran red. Lovely plumage.

Again, the order's device is a red cross on the white background and that matters to us.

Old time Calontiri, the kind who were here *before* rocks were soft, might remember Calontir's original heraldry was exactly the same, a red cross of Calatrava on white. This was chosen in the Warlord days by Geoffri of Warenne. (Side note: Calontir's birthday as a kingdom is February 18th, AS XVIII, but our Natal day is the 29th of May, AS XII when we became a region and the original choice of the cross of Calatrava for Calontir dates from before this point). Note however, that Calontir's original device was *exactly* that of the real Order of Calatrava's device. In other words, it was the definition of a heraldic conflict. To resolve this, we later shifted to the gold cross on a purple field.

Personally, I prefer the gold on purple anyway. I mean, the "red bird of prey" just doesn't have the

same oomph and, of course, purple tabards are much easier to keep clean at war.

Anyhoodle...

Remember when I said Juan Carlos I of Spain brought the order back in 1980? Did you notice that the choice of our device happened before May 29th, ASXII? Otherwise known as 1977? Well, your mileage might vary, but I think it's really cool to note that the King of Spain brought back the Spanish orders of chivalry, including the Order of Calatrava, *after* Calontir chose the cross of Calatrava as its emblem.

I'm not saying he did this *because* Calontir made this choice, but I am saying, once again, heraldry proves to be pretty darn cool.

– Rhodri ap Hywel, Gold Falcon

Greetings Calontir,

Migration to the CALON management system continues to make progress. In the near future, we will be launching a new system for officer reporting and award recommendations that will enable our officers and royals to more effectively collate the information being reported. It is our hope that this will make their jobs easier in the future. Officers, please be sure that you have access to login to your @calontir.org email address. We will be using these to provide access to reporting forms in the CALON system. If you need access to your account or a password reset, please send an email to support@calontir.org so that we can help you login.

Webministers, please take note that there is a new SCA Webminister's handbook that was released last week. I will be emailing all of you in the near future to discuss how it will affect how we run and host websites. In the mean-time please take a few minutes to read the new version.

Sincerely,
Gawin Kappler, OoD
Calontir Webminister

Ciao a tutti!

Queen's Prize will soon be upon us! Although there has been discussion about revising the criteria we will use the same criteria as we have in the past. This can be found through the Kingdom website under the Arts and Sciences section. Entrants and mentors will be able to sign up at the end of March or beginning of April. so watch the Kingdom web page, Facebook, and email list!. I've heard about some of the entries and I'm really looking forward to seeing what everyone shares! If you are an entrant but don't have a sponsor yet, don't fret, you have until you sign up to find one. If you want to sponsor but don't have an entrant there's still time for you too. Social media, your local groups, and your friends are a great way to make those connections. April 29th in Spinning Winds is bound to be a great day!

We still need bids for Kingdom Arts and Sciences! Kingdom Arts & Sciences should be held in October or November but this is flexible. Please submit bids to the Reeve by March 31st so that we can get the event on the calendar. This is a great event for smaller groups as they need to provide a site, set up, tear down, and gate staff. The group may also provide an inn, work with another group to host the inn, or no inn at all. The rest is handled on a Kingdom level. Please let me know if you have any questions about either event!

Also, don't forget to check out the Arts & Sciences competitions which are typically held at all of the events. There are so many amazing entries and very talented A&S people in our Kingdom! When you see someone doing awesome Art & Science don't forget to put in an award recommendation for them!

**In servizio,
Gianna**

*The annual Gulf Wars Interkingdom Bocce Tournament is eminent!
Your Majesties are cordially invited to send emissaries from your
glorious and grand Kingdom for the honor and glory of sport
and bragging rights for your Kingdom.
A prize will be awarded for the winner!*



*Gulf Wars 23
CASO
Interkingdom
Bocce
Tournament
CASO
Thursday
March 16th
10:00 to Finish*

*Join us at the Renaissance Village
Thursday morning March 16th at 10:00
a.m. for Interkingdom Bocce!*

Tournament is hosted by the Renaissance Village and CA'D'ORO Italian Salon

Gulf Wars 2023

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EVENT FLYER GUIDELINES

For Their Majesties to hold Court, or any official business to occur, a complete flyer must be published in *The Mews*. Failure to do so means that the Crown can not hold Court at that event.

Before sending an event flyer confirm your event with the Reeve. *The Mews* **WILL NOT** publish an announcement if your event has not been approved or confirmed. Check the Kingdom Calendar at: <https://www.calontir.org/events/> For information on how to submit a flyer please visit: <https://www.calontir.org/chronicler/>

For an event to be considered complete and published, so official Kingdom business can be carried out, an event announcement MUST contain these **SIX ITEMS**:

- ◆ Dates of the event- day and month
- ◆ Event time: when site opens & closes to the populace
- ◆ Name of the sponsoring group or groups
- ◆ Location of the event. The name of the event site, and full address.
- ◆ Name, both SCA and Modern, of the Event Steward, including contact phone and email. (Needed if there an emergency / or issues arise)

- ◆ Details of Registration : Do NOT use “FEE” as a describer for registration cost.

Example of wording for Registration:

Adult Event Registration: \$25 / Adult Member Discount Registration: \$20 / Youth (6-17) \$5 / Children 5 & Under: FREE

Event Copies: An Editable version of your flyer MUST be sent. If you wish to send a PDF, you are more than welcomed. However, I need a version I am able to edit, because sometimes that PDF just will not convert correctly and I would like to keep your flyers looking nice.

Deadline: The Chronicler must receive event copies no later than the **1st of the month TWO MONTHS PRIOR to your event.** (e.g. if the event is in November, the flyer must be received by September 1st.) If there is an issue with meeting the deadline, please contact the Chronicler ASAP. There is no grace period the deadline is final and non-negotiable. The earlier a flyer is received the better!