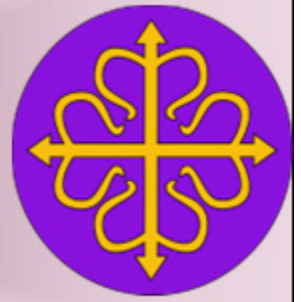


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KINGDOM CALENDAR & ROYAL PROGRESS

Event Dates	Event	Crown	Heirs
July 11, 2026	Summer Coronation <i>Three Rivers</i>		
July 25, 2026	Feast of Eagles <i>Cúm an Iolair</i>		NA
July 31–August 9, 2026	Pennsic War LIII		NA
August 14–16, 2026	St. Augustine's Faire <i>Heraldshill</i>		NA
August 22, 2026	Cattle Raids <i>Mag Mor</i>		NA
August 22, 2026	Midwest Heraldic & Scribal Symposium		NA
August 31 2026	Kingdom Arts & Sciences <i>Crystal Mynes</i>		NA
September 4–6, 2026	Raid or Trade <i>Coeur d'Ennui</i>		NA
September 11–12, 2026	King's Companie of Archers <i>{Lilies' Site}</i>		NA
September 25–27 2026	Vertigo: Birdigo! <i>Lost Moor</i>		NA
October 1–4 2026	Fletch and Flame <i>Villa Frumentaria</i>		NA
October 9–12 2026	Winterfylleth III <i>{Lilies' Site}</i>		NA

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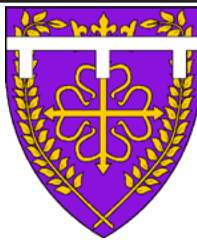
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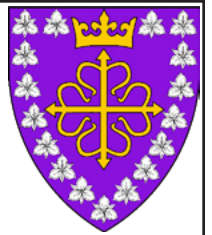
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that Kingdom Arts & Sciences is coming this August. If you have been thinking about entering, consider this your gentle nudge from the universe—and your Kingdom Minister. It is never too early to begin planning a project, gathering sources, or putting pen to paper. It is also never too late. Some of the finest works in Calontir have begun with the phrase, “Well, I suppose I should get started.”

Whether your goal is to compete, display, teach, research, or simply learn something new, I encourage you to challenge yourself and share your work. The Arts & Sciences thrive when we inspire one another.

I look forward to serving alongside all of you, celebrating your accomplishments, supporting your endeavors, and perhaps enabling just a few more hobbies than any reasonable person ought to have.

Until then, may your ink not spill, your seams remain straight, your fires stay lit, and your documentation be plentiful.

Yours in Service to Kingdom and Dream,
Carmina Helmschmidt
Kingdom Arts & Sciences Minister

Greetings Calontir!

Thank you so much to all the heralds who spent time with us at Lilies War, doing consultations, morning camp cries and tournament heralding! You are magnificent, and we could not have done it without you.

I would like to announce that we are now taking applications for Saker Herald. Saker works in concert with Eyas Herald to process Calontir submissions through the College of Arms, and notifies submitters when their items are approved. Candidates would be familiar with Google Workspace, are organized, and are familiar data entry. We can absolutely help train up the right person. Email goldfalcon@calontir.org by August 31st if you are interested in applying.

We are also accepting applications for Good Hand (Sign) Herald. The Good Hand Herald is a key part of making court accessible to all by using sign language and other aids to visually communicate the words being spoken. Please reach out to me if you have any questions or if you're interested in applying.

Yours in Service,
Dýrfinna Tonnudottir
Gold Falcon

Deputy Lilies War Committee Chair

The Deputy Lilies War Committee Chair serves as the principal support officer to the Lilies War Committee Chair, helping oversee the planning, coordination, and execution of Lilies War. This role ensures continuity of leadership, assists with strategic decision-making, and provides hands-on management of event operations. The Deputy Chair acts as Chair when delegated or when the Chair is unavailable.

Required Skills & Qualifications

- Strong organizational and communication skills.
- Ability to collaborate with diverse teams and personalities.
- Experience in SCA event planning or staff roles (Lilies War experience preferred).
- Ability to remain calm and solution-focused under pressure.
- Willingness to commit to year-round planning and on-site leadership during the event.

Time Commitment

- Year-round: Approximately 5–10 hours per month, increasing as the event approaches.
- On-site at Lilies War: Full-time presence during setup, event week, and tear-down.

Key Responsibilities

1. Event Planning & Coordination

- Assist the Chair and Committee in developing the annual Lilies War event plan, timeline, and operational priorities.
- Assist in coordination with event staff department heads (e.g., Gate, Sanitation, Safety, Activities, Land, Merchenting) to ensure readiness and alignment with event goals.
- Support the creation and maintenance of event documentation, policies, and procedural updates.

2. Committee Support & Leadership

- Attend all Lilies War Committee meetings and contribute to agenda planning and follow-up actions.
- Step in to lead meetings or decision-making processes when the Chair is unavailable.

3. On-Site Event Operations

- Assist with on-site setup, daily operations, troubleshooting, and tear-down.
- Provide leadership presence at key operational times (e.g., opening, peak attendance days, emergencies).

4. Communication & Stakeholder Engagement

- Help maintain communication with the Kingdom Seneschal, event stewards, site representatives, and other key stakeholders.
- Contribute to public announcements, event updates, and post-event reporting.

5. Risk Management & Compliance

- Assist in ensuring that all event operations comply with SCA policies, site rules, and safety requirements.
- Participate in incident response, documentation, and follow-up as needed.

6. Continuity & Succession

- Maintain familiarity with all major aspects of the Chair's responsibilities to ensure smooth continuity of leadership.
- Prepare to assume the Chair role temporarily or permanently if needed.
- Help train future deputies or committee members as part of long-term event sustainability.

The Barony of Three Rivers Presents:



Summer Coronation



July 11, 2026

*A Roman Holiday for relaxing and reveling in the
glory of Calontir, followed by a fabulous
Astrological Feast*

Site opens 9am
Feast to follow Evening Court
Site closes 9pm

First Congregational Church of Webster Groves
10 W Lockwood Ave. Webster Groves, MO 63119
This site is Wet.

Event Stewards

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eventsteward@b3r.calontir.org

Feast Stewards

HL Pádraigin an Einigh &
Mistress Emeline de Moulineaux
feaststeward@b3r.calontir.org

Adult Event Registration: \$25
Adult Member Discount Registration: \$15
Children under 17: FREE
Make checks payable to: "SCA Inc. - Barony of Three Rivers"
Feast Fee: \$15 per person

The Shire of Cum an Iolair
Is proud to present
Feast of Eagles
Saturday, July 25, 2026

New Site!

Shawnee Mission
Unitarian Universalist Church
9400 Pflumm Rd
Lenexa KS 66215

Come join us for a fun day of fighting,
games, activities, and of course **THE
FEAST!**

Site opens at 8:30am and closes at
9:00pm.

Adult registration: \$20

Adult Member Discount

Registration: \$10

Youth 12-17: \$5

(Children under 12 are FREE)

Registration at gate with cash or checks

Payable to: **SCA., Shire of Cúm an Iolair**

Donation Inn "Ploughman's Lunch" of
cheese, bread, vegetables, and cold
meats

Feast Registration: \$20

Minors must be accompanied by a parent
or legal guardian. They may also attend
with a 21-year-old or older adult with a
signed and notarized Minor Event Waiver
from the parents.

Planned Activities Include:

- Rattan Tournaments
- Cust and Thrust Tournaments
- Thrown Weapons competitions
- Bocce Tournament
- Classes
- Arts & Sciences Competition
- Silent Auction to benefit Lilies Golf
Carts (cash or check only)
- Feast Auction (cash only – to
benefit a local non-profit
organization TBD)
- Children's Activities TBD

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Feast Steward

Lady Constanza Marina de Huelva

mka Karen Zielsdorf-Park

feaststeward@shirecai.calontir.org

(no calls after 9pm or before 9am, please)

Merchants welcome: No merchant fee.
Please provide your own tables.

No pets allowed



Saint Augustine's Faire



It Flies Through the Air

Shire of Heraldshill
August 15 - 16, 2026

at the Grafton Community Center

Archery & Thrown Weapons, Arts & Sciences, Bardic Activities, Combat, Inns, and Merchants.

Event Registration

Site: Adult Event Registration \$20, Adult Member Discount Registration \$10, \$5 for 6-18 yrs.
5 and under free. Family Cap \$30.00
Site is a dry site (no alcohol)

Camping: no fee, \$15 nightly charge for RV electrical hook-ups (only two available)
Inn: free will donations
Feast: Adults \$10, \$5 for children

Merchants: no additional merchant fee

Make checks payable to SCA Inc-Shire of Heraldshill

Site opens Friday at 5 PM.
Site Closes at Noon on Sunday

Event Steward: Mistress Juliana Macnayre (mka: Julene Carberry)
Email: julianamac@netins.net
Phone: (641) 430-0715 (9 A.M. to 9 P.M.)

Feast Steward: HL Anastasia da Carrara
Email: stasi@hillians.net

Directions

Grafton Community Center
202 6th Avenue
Grafton, IA 50440

<http://www.heraldshill.org>



The Barony of Mag Mor presents

The cow jumped over the moon

Cattle Raids 2026

Saunders County Fairgrounds 4H Building
635 E 1st St
Wahoo, NE 68066

Site opens at 5:00 PM August 21st and closes 12:00 PM August 23rd
Early site access for equestrians only, by appointment, on Thursday
(contact eqmarshal@calontir.org)

Adult Member Event Registration: \$25.00
Adult Event Registration: 35.00
Minor Event Registration: 0.00
(Ages 18 and under)

Inn Donation
Feast 15.00

Checks payable to SCA, Inc.—Barony of Mag Mor

Camping Archery Fighting
Youth Activities A&S Competition
Equestrian



No pets allowed on site.

There are also several restaurant options within two miles of site.

Event Stewards
Azalaïs des Montagnes (Heidi Copeland, 208-720-1694),
Istvan of Mag Mor (Ayden Eddings), and
Gyda Glora (Chris Stuart)
EventSteward@magmor.calontir.org





The Shire of Crystal Mynes invites you to the
Kingdom Arts & Sciences
Championship & TriLevels



August 29th, 2026

Fairview Christian Church
2320 Grand Ave
Carthage, Mo 64836

Deadline for ALL entries and judges is August 15th, 2026
Online forms will be available on the Kingdom website

Site opens at 8am / Closes at 7pm

Registration:

Adult Event Registration: \$25
Adult Member Discount Registration: \$15
Youth (6-17): \$5
Children (5 & under): Free

Make checks payable to "SCA Inc – Shire of Crystal Mynes"

*Site is **DRY, DRY, DRY!!!!***

*Special consideration has been granted for brewing entries for judging purposes
There will be a donation inn on site for lunch*

Event schedule will be posted after all entries have been received

Event Steward

Master Gunnar Thorisson
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Carthage, MO 64836
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Directions:

Take best route to I-49 exit 50.
Head east on Fir Rd to Grand Ave (3rd light)
Turn left onto Grand Ave and follow to the round about.
Take the branch between Wendys and Dunkin Donuts.
Site on the right.
SCA signs will be posted



Barony of Coeur d'Ennui invites you to

RAID or TRADE

"Along the Silk Roads"



September 4th – 7th, 2026

Location: Ashton Wildwood Park, 8717 W 122nd St N, Mingo, IA 50168

Raid or Trade site will open at 5:00 PM on Friday September 4th and close at 12 Noon on Monday Sep 7th.

Gate Hours for Registration:

Friday 9/4 - 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Adult Registration:

\$35.00

Saturday 9/6 - 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Adult Member Discount Registration: \$25.00

Sunday 9/7 – 10:00 AM to 12 Noon

Youth (17 and under):

free



Planned Activities:

- ❖ Camping! Come join us for a day or a long weekend.
- ❖ Competitions: Archery of all types, Armored Fighting including Buzkashi/Kok-Boru tournament, Cut & Thrust Fighting, A&S: Camel, in any medium, Bardic fireside tall tales, Hobby-Horse Polo, and lot of Games!
- ❖ Eating! The Barony will be spit roasting a lamb Saturday evening, all are welcome, all other dishes pot-luck style.
- ❖ Merchants!! Merchants welcome, no additional fees.
- ❖ Sunday morning camel swap: Bring your blanket and trade goods, your unwanted items may be someone's new treasures!
- ❖ Site is discreetly wet

Event steward: Arnevaz al'Shirzan, Jenny Wilson Welder (515)231-5707

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VERTIGO

Birdigo

Imagine a riot of color, the cacophony of birdsong and a flurry of feathers... Join the Shire of Lost Moor for a weekend of food, fun and festivities as we celebrate the timeless allure of everything avian.

WHEN: September 25th-27th, 2026

WHERE: Crowder State Park - 76 MO-128, Trenton, MO, 64683

GATE INFO: Friday: 4pm-11pm
 Saturday: 8am-2pm
 Site Closes Sunday at Noon

Adult Event Registration: \$25
Adult Member Discount: \$35
Youth (0-17): Free
Feast: \$15

Activities: A&S Competition - Birds in any medium

Archery Rattan Steel Youth Rattan
 Youth Steel Youth Activities

A donation breakfast and lunch will be provided as well as a paid feast.

Site is wet - Please drink responsibly.

Event Steward: Lord Helias Basilou (Nick Robitsch) 503-387-9905

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Event Website: <https://lostmoor.calontir.org/vertigo>

The Baronies of Vatavia and Lonely Tower Present

Winterfylleth III -Return of the Kith

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9TH, THRU MONDAY, OCTOBER 12TH 2026

Site will open Thursday, October 8th @ Noon

Kelsey Short Youth Camp

17980 Collins RD

Smithville, MO 64809

Come join us for all the standard activities we have hosted over the last few years!

Rattan combat Scenarios

Steel combat Scenarios

Archery and thrown weapons competitions

Arts and science classes (including the monstrously popular Parallel Play)

A Chili Fundraiser on Saturday night alongside Saturday Night Smackdown!

And, finally, The Chilies Event Stewards have decided to continue the "Damn the economy!" tradition and are keeping site fees the same as previous years!

Adult Event Registration: \$50 / Adult Member Discount Registration: \$40

Youth (6-17) \$15 / Children 5 & Under: FREE

Merchant fee: \$20

Event Stewards

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QUARTERLY BOARD MEETINGS TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

✦ July 19, 2026

✦ October 17, 2026 — Location TBD

MID-QUARTER CONFERENCE CALL

✦ Mid-Quarter Conference Call - TBA

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Kingdom Law
<https://shorturl.at/z9YvS>

Event Flyer Guidelines

For Their Majesties to hold Court and for official business to happen, a complete flyer must be published in The Mews. Failure to do so means that the Crown cannot hold Court at that event. Prior to emailing a 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/calendar/>

Editable: An Editable version of your flyer MUST be sent. Work with the Social Media Officer for flyers that may be posted on social media.

Deadline: The Chronicler must receive event copies no later than the 1st of the month THREE MONTHS PRIOR to your event. *For Example:* If the event is in November, the flyer must be received by August 1st for the September Mews. Refer to the Calendar at the front of the Mews.

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!

Flyers MUST contain these SIX ITEMS:

1. Name of the sponsoring group or groups
2. Day, month, and year of the event
3. Site open & close times for populace
4. Location of the event—the name of the event site, and full address.
5. Name, both SCA and Modern, of the Event Steward, including contact phone and email (Needed for emergencies or issues arise)
6. Registration—Please use these lines:
Adult Event Registration: \$
Adult Member Discount Registration: \$
Youth 17 & Under: FREE