OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE MIDDLE KINGDOM



## Submission Guidelines

**ARTICLES** on period topics, history, art, puzzles, SCA life, bardic stories and the like are welcome additions to *The Pale*. A 500- to 1000-word article will usually fit in one issue; longer articles will be split into multiple parts to appear in successive issues. Submit the file in MS Word .doc format along with an SCA Creative Release form. Send the images used in the article as separate files using the format described below.

You must cite all references, quotations and sources in your article using the Chicago Manual of Style format. Sample citations are located here: www.chicagomanualofstyle.org/tools\_citationguide.html. Citing sources is very important to avoid accusations of plagiarism and legal action for copyright violation.

**IMAGES**, such as line art, calligraphy, illumination and photographs are also welcome. Scan any artwork at 300 dpi and save it at the highest quality JPG setting. Photos should also be 300 dpi, high quality JPGs. All images will appear in print as black and white, but the online version of *The Pale* is in color. Images can also be submitted as high quality TIF or PDF files. Any artwork or photography submitted to *The Pale* must have a signed SCA Creative Release or SCA Photographer Release form from the artist sent in with the work. Any person identifiable in an image must submit a signed SCA Model Release form with the art work. This is a requirement of SCA Inc. for print publication. All release forms are available at www.midrealm. org/chronicler under "Documents and Forms for Chroniclers".

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**EVENT NOTICES** (ads) must be published in *The Pale* for events at which any of the following occur: Crown and Coronet tournaments, coronations and investitures, appointment of Kingdom or Principality officers, presentation of awards and titles, proclamation of law, establishment or advancement of branches. **These activities cannot take place unless a complete event notice appears in** *The Pale***, the Middle Kingdom newsletter, at least once before the date of the event. The publication requirement may only be waived in extraordinary circumstances, such as a natural disaster.** 

Events must **already** be listed on the Middle Kingdom Calendar prior to advertising in *The Pale*, but an event listing on the Middle Kingdom Calendar does **NOT** constitute "official publication". Incipient groups must submit a scan of the sponsorship form to the Editor. Event submissions to the Kingdom Calendar should be submitted through the **online form** available on the calendar page. Contact the Middle Kingdom Calendar Secretary at calendar@midrealm. org with any issues. **Middle Kingdom events receive free event ads** that run in the next issue unless otherwise specified. Out-of-Kingdom events and merchants pay the listed rates.

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WITHOUT EXCEPTION, EVENT NOTICES MUST INCLUDE event name, sponsoring group, dates, times, site address, site registration, website URL, name (SCA & modern) of the event steward, and a contact email address of the event steward. Simple driving directions to the event site are useful but not required. All images in event notices must have a source listed and be used in accordance with the terms of use. Original artwork MUST include an SCA Creative Release form from the author(s) or artist(s). SCA Model Releases are required for identifiable persons in any image. Submissions are edited for grammar, spelling, space constraints, inflammatory or explicit language and compliance with Middle Kingdom Law. Editorial decisions are final. "Letters to the Editor" are not permitted per SCA Inc. regulations.

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## The Pale

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## From Their Royal Majesties

NTO THE NOBLE AND WORTHY POPULACE OF THE MIDDLE KINGDOM:

Warm Yule tidings and blessings of the winter season do We, Sascha and Kemma, send unto you.

As winter settles gently across Our lands, We reflect with joy upon the many fine destinations We have had the privilege to visit these past weeks. Your generosity, camaraderie, and steadfast spirit continue to inspire Us wherever We travel.

Artisan's Day shone as a bright jewel in the dark of winter—a day filled with learning, craft, and the joyous celebration of skill. Our artisans are treasures, and We remain ever inspired by their hands and their hearts.

With eager anticipation We now look toward the Christmas Tournament, a cherished event where valor and merriment come together. Soon after, the Festival of Maidens will open its halls to host the Queen's Prize Tournament, where artistry and mentorship shall grace the Kingdom with beauty and honor.

May this winter bring steadiness to your hearths, cheer to your gatherings, and peace to your spirits. Happy Holidays and Yule blessings upon you all.

In service,

Sascha & Kemma

Rex et Regina Medii Regni

## From Their Royal Highnesses

REETINGS TO THE NOBLE POPULACE OF THE MIDDLE KINGDOM,
As the year turns and winter's quiet beauty surrounds us, We wish

to share Our joy and gratitude with you. In Our journeys across the Realm, We have been uplifted by your deeds - acts of service, artistry, hospitality, and generosity that shine brighter than any winter star. It is the people of this Kingdom who inspire Us and call Us forward as your Heirs.

This season invites reflection and renewal. May you find moments to rest, to celebrate with family and friends, and to honor traditions both old and new. Together, We look toward the coming year with anticipation, eager to continue building memories and triumphs alongside you.

We also extend Our deep appreciation to Their Majesties, Sascha and Kemma. Their wisdom and steadfast devotion guide the Middle Kingdom with strength and grace. It is Our honor to walk beside Them in service to you, the people, whose loyalty and love sustain the Realm.

As We look ahead, Our hearts are filled with excitement not only for the wonders within Our own Kingdom, but also for the journeys beyond. We eagerly anticipate traveling and meeting Our cousins in foreign lands, strengthening bonds of friendship and fellowship that unite the Known World.

May your winter days be warmed by fellowship, and may the new year bring joy and prosperity to all corners of the Kingdom.

In Service and Gratitude,

Louis and Sadb

## Highnesses of the Middle Kingdom

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## Letters from the Kingdom's Officers



## Exchequer

## Greetings, all,

Domesday season is upon us. Here are some tips based on what was found during last year's Domesday.

Please avoid sending checks to other groups in the month of December if possible—the obvious exception being NMR checks to Kingdom for events in early December.

If you have checks outstanding on your November bank statement, you should contact the person or group the check was written to in order to make sure those get deposited before year's end.

Along with your Domesday report, you should be submitting a copy of your ledger or check register, bank statements, reconciliations, and any event reports. Having these helps the Regionals figure out any discrepancies that might arise.

What is reported as Event Income on the Domesday should match what was reported on your actual Event Report.

Events that are donation only go on page 11c. Money made at an event as fund raising goes on page 11a. Money donated to group at an event goes on page 11c.

SCARS/Paypal payments and expenses are shown on page 11b in the Paypal/SCARS section.

For groups in Indiana, Ohio, and Kentucky, money sent to SCA Inc, Middle Kingdom is a transfer-- page 10 top section.

If you're in Michigan or Illinois then transfers to SCA Inc, Middle Kingdom go on page 12b section 29. It is NOT a transfer in Kingdom.

For groups in Indiana, Ohio, and Kentucky, money sent to SCA Inc for event insurance is a transfer out on page 10 section A, Corporate.

If you're in Michigan or Illinois then event insurance payments to SCA Inc go on page 12a as Fees and Honoraria.

When you have your report finished, you should send both the Excel report and PDFs of the pages that need to be signed (in BLACK ink) to your Regional. You should also be sending your ledger/ check register as mentioned above, all your bank statements for the year and all your Event Reports for the year.

May your books always be in balance.

Exchequer of the Middle Kingdom



## Dragon Herald

### **OYEZ!**

Are you familiar with the "Fridge Test"? When people are considering whether they want to register a heraldic device, heralds usually recommend they print it out and stick it on the fridge for a month or so. This gives the submitter a chance to see the design every day, and to reflect on how they like it. Variations include setting your device as your phone lock screen or changing your name on social media to your persona name. It's always a good idea to make sure you really like something before you submit it!

The College of Heralds is still looking for an education deputy and a new heralds liaison. We are also looking for a new consult table coordinator, so there are lots of heraldic service opportunities.

If you are interested in any of the open positions or just want to get more involved in heraldry, please reach out to herald@midrealm.org.

Fare thee as well as I fare,



## **Earl Marshal**

## **Greetings, Midrealm!**

As the fall leaves finish their groundward journey, I look ahead to the long winter months with anticipation. All around the kingdom there shall be warm fires, feasts of thanks, and (indoor) practices and training to sharpen our swords and true our aim.

Domesday reporting went better than expected, and I want to thank all of our marshals and deputies for a job very well done!

In the coming months, you can expect to see an update to our various marshal forms and new guidance documents released for our field and group marshals and event marshals-in-charge. Along with these new materials, we will be traveling the kingdom in the new year to provide updated and refresher training to all marshals – keep an eye

out for announcements so you can plan ahead!

Finally, I have published the job description and opened the application window for interested applications for the position of Midrealm Kingdom Earl Marshal. Please visit the kingdom website (www.midrealm.org) for more information!

Thank you all again and keep an eye out for updates on the Kingdom website and the Facebook pages of your martial activity for news and announcements.

In service to the Midrealm,

Sir Marcus

Kingdom Earl Marshal, Middle Kingdom



### Hello!

Well, it certainly seems like this winter may be a bit... snowier than we've seen in some time. I hope you are able to find interesting projects to work on indoors, where it's warm.

Coming up in January, we have the Queen's Prize Tournament, which looks to be a wonderful display of up and coming artisans. I can't wait to see all the great projects and displays.

Thinking to the future, later in the year we will see the Kingdom A&S Faire, with its recent reintroduction of the Pentathalon! If you want to complete five projects for the Faire, I hope you have already made a start on some of them - the months between now and May pass by faster than you can imagine when you have a deadline! I am thrilled to see how many folks are excited about the Faire, and hope to see many entries and volunteers there!

Stay warm, and keep on arts-ing!

Maîtresse Audette la Tricoteuse de Saint Denis

Minister of Arts & Sciences of the Middle Kingdom

## Congratulations

to these Midrealm Peers celebrating milestone anniversaries this month:

## 30 Year Anniversary

**Sir Ivar Skurgarson**Order of the Chivalry - Dec. 2, 1995

## 25 Year Anniversary

Master Aidan Blackstone Order of the Pelican - Dec. 2, 2000

**Sir Leif Haakonson** Order of the Chivalry - Dec. 9, 2000

## 10 Year Anniversary

Mistress Eleanor Von Atzinger Order of the Pelican - Dec. 5, 2015

For more information on the History of the Middle Kingdom (a work in progress) please visit <a href="https://history.midrealm.org/">https://history.midrealm.org/</a>

— Forester Cadfan of the Autumn Wood (Middle Kingdom Historian)

## Middle Kingdom Court Reports

Silent and Royal Courts of Their **Majesties Sascha and Kemma** at All Saints and Rivenstar 50 Year, in the Barony of Rivenstar, 1 November 2025 (AS 60).

**HERALDS:** Fujiwara no Murasaki, Jacob MacAndrew, Liu Kuici, Ashkbun **SIGNET:** Maedhbh Ramsev **AWARD OF ARMS: Gillian "Jingles"** Foole, Lysander of Caer Gwyn, Victoria Heortclovre, William MacGregor, Lucien of Sui, Marcellous of Rivenstar **AWARD OF THE PURPLE FRET:** Eochad O'Madadhan, Erchanwald of Rivenstar, Kassiani Larosina, Aiden of Rivenstar \* AWARD OF THE SILVER **OAK:** Cormac of the Ring Tribe, Marilynde of the Rocks • ORDER OF THE EVERGREEN: Giovanni aus Innsbruck, Katrin Grimsdottir, Parzival

Court report for Her Majesty Kemma at Artisan's Day in the Shire of Ravenslake, 15 November 2025 (AS 60).

**HERALDS:** Siobhán an Einigh of Connacht, Andreas Blakwode, Meadhbh Ballach ingen Eochada **SIGNET:** Cydeaux of Brittany **AWARD OF ARMS: Caleb Thorne,** Hextilda, Meryem al Ixbilia, Rolf von Kuhlschrank, Theophania Peverel **AWARD OF THE PURPLE FRET:** Lucian Vasari, Quarter, Saebjorn Unferthsson, Syne of Tree-Girt-Sea (Sunnifa Mekkelsdottir), Fern de la Foret \* AWARD OF THE WILLOW: Olwen of Tree-Girt-Sea - AWARD **OF THE SILVER OAK:** Ysabeau de Chauntepiy







Find additional information about job postings on the Middle Kingdom website: https://midrealm.org/jobs/

## Míddle Kingdom Job Openings

## Office of the **Kingdom Seneschal**

- Kingdom Diversity, Equity, *Inclusion, and Belonging Officer*
- Constellation Regional Seneschal

## Office of the **Kingdom Earl Marshal**

- Kingdom Earl Marshal
- **DKEM for Combat Archery**
- **DKEM for Siege**
- North Oaken Regional Target **Archery Marshal**

## Office of the Exchequer

- Kingdom Exchequer
- Pentamere Regional Exchequer

## Office of the Dragon Herald

- Targe Herald
- **Buckler Herald**
- Shield Herald

### Office of the Kingdom Chatelaine

- Kingdom Chatelaine
- First Deputy Chatelaine
- Midlands Regional Chatelaine

### Minister of Youth

- Pentamere Regional Youth Officer
- Dean of Page School

### Office of the Kingdom **Chronicler**

- **Deputy Webminister**
- South Oaken Regional Chronicler
- North Oaken Regional Chronicler

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## St. Hildegard Coppers - the Jafar Type, No. 11 🗕

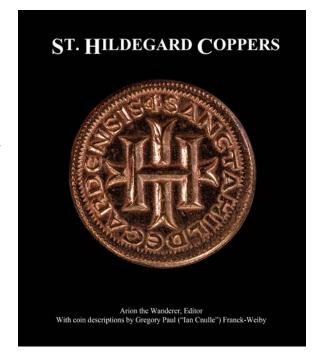
## by Karín Georgsdottír(Karen Kídd)

It was March of AS 33 (1998). Ian Cnulle, in the workshop of his cabin in the Barony of Terra Pomaria in the Kingdom of An Tir, gazed down at the polished surface a blank steel die into which he was to engrave the reverse of the latest St. Hildegard copper.

The task was difficult. Half the Known World away, the Middle Kingdom's populace was deeply mourning the unexpected death of their Prince, Count Sir Jafar alSafar, who passed away the previous December after a brief illness. Cnulle knew this would be a memorial token and he wanted the image on this reverse to actually look like Jafar.

"The image on this ambitious coin was intended to be an actual likeness of the individual (with limited success)," Cnulle (Gregory Paul Franck-Weiby outside the Society) said in a letter to his father. "The design was taken from that used on late Roman and early Roman gold solidus coins minted from the reign of Constantius II (337-'61) through the reign of Justinian I (527- '65)."

The story of what today is called type No. 11, "Jafar A.S. XXXIII," is one of dozens told in a newly published book of SCAdian history: "St. Hildegard Coppers" (available on Amazon).



The cover of the new book. Photo from Karen Kidd.

"St. Hildegard Coppers," the first book ever about the popular trade token that today has an international collector base, was published in October. "St. Hildegard Coppers," produced and edited by Arion the Wanderer (Dave Peters), today Minister of the Moneyers Guild of An Tir and once apprentice to Cnulle, also includes memories of Cnulle written by those who knew him. "St. Hildegard Coppers" also includes high-quality photos of each copper type above lightly edited descriptions written by Cnulle himself.

The first St. Hildegard coppers were produced by Cnulle, together with Watt Kidman (Walt Patrick), in November AS 27 (1992). Hot-struck on 1-inch diameter, 3/32-inch-thick copper blanks, each copper weighed in at about 14 grams, a size with a delightful period heft and jingle in the hand and pouch. The coppers, traded at \$1 face value, gained popularity among the populace and cooperating merchants to more forsoothly shop, trade and wager. The coppers' circulation spread throughout the Known World, with an especially high profile at Pennsic and Gulf Wars.

The front of each copper bears the emblem of the University of St. Hildegard, named for the 12thcentury German Abbess Hildegard of Bingen, with its highly recognizable "+H" surrounded by inscription "SANCTA HILDEGARDENSIS." The University of St. Hildegard was an educational institution, organized in the SCA as a household, dedicated to the studying the arts and sciences of medieval life.

The back of each copper type is unique, minted for kingdoms, royals, households, merchants and, on occasion, organizations outside the SCA.

The first coppers, which gave their popular name of "baraks" to the entire series, were struck in honor of Barak Ravensfuri, Lion of An Tir, Knight, Pelican and Royal Peer, one of the 11 Ravensfuri siblings.

Additional types include No. 18, the "Artemesia Kingdom Badge Type," struck in AS 34 (1999). There's also No. 16, "The Caravan of the High Silk Road," minted in AS 33 (1998) for an association of merchants trading in the lands east of the Mississippi river. Then there's the No. 20 "Pillaged Village" type, struck in AS 34 for a well-known SCAdian merchant, and the No. 22 "Year 34 Type: Water Bearers and Chiurgeons," struck for, as Cnulle said, "the contributions made by two key groups."

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## Job Openings

## Shield Herald (Heraldic Consultation Coordinator)

Applicants should send a letter explaining why they wish to be Shield Herald, along with a list of qualifications (SCA and/or mundane) to herald@midrealm.org by January 31, 2026.

### **Office Description:**

The Shield Herald oversees all heraldic consultation in the Middle Kingdom. They are responsible for making sure that consultation tables are set up at major kingdom events, and should be able to run consultations themselves if necessary. They are also responsible for helping to train people on how to do consultations, and to work with the rest of the heraldic education team to develop training materials.

### **Job Responsibilities:**

- Coordinate heraldic consultation in the Middle Kingdom
- Ensure that consultation is available at major kingdom events
- Help train heralds in how to do name and device consultations
- Assist with educating the kingdom on heraldic topics
- Work with the heraldic education team on larger projects
- Other duties as required

### **Requirements:**

- Paid SCA member
- Internet access
- Comfort with using social media, including Facebook and Discord
- Experience with heraldic consultations
- A strong understanding of name and device heraldry, and the heraldic submission process

## Rangers Guild in the Middle Region

The Rangers Guild within the SCA Midrealm is based on the medieval foresters.

This group is for promoting and enjoying woodland skills of pre-1600 foresters of all cultures. For SCA purposes we are organized under Arts and Sciences with studies in outdoor living, survival and camping.

The photo is a new patch which is awarded to members who have achieved their first rank within the Rangers Guild: Wood Ranger.

Contact Lord Iofurr Ormarsson for more details (Markland Griffith on Facebook).

#rangersquildinthemiddleregion #mysca

> Photo by Lord Iofurr Ormarsson (Markland Griffith).



## St. Hildegard Coppers - continued

The Jafar type easily is the most poignant of the St. Hildegard coppers. Jafar, whose persona was 12thcentury Saracen, was squire to Palymar of the Two Baronies and grand-squire to Moonwulf. According to his entry on the kingdom's Wiki. "Jafar loved to read, especially fantasy," the Wiki says.

He enjoyed roleplaying and video games. He was very much a cat person, and he and Gwenllian verch Dafydd ap Rhys were co-owned by seven cats when he lived in Rivenstar. He was a member of House Rodentia as well as the House of the Lazy Snail (Palymar's household).

Having won the Midrealm Crown Tournament in the autumn of AS 33, Jafar's coronation was expected in the spring. After his death, his Consort, Kenna Harve, was crowned and she reigned alone in his memory. She personally led the Midrealm to victory in the Pennsic Field Battle that year. Jafar received the title of "Duke" posthumously.

The Jafar type Cnulle created bears the inscription "JAFAR XXXIII KENNA," and what Cnulle described as "the Roman-style crested helmet dividing the date."



The Jafar copper. Photo from Karen Kidd.

Since Jafar had Moorish persona (he was African-American), his name also appears in the field of the design written in Kufic Arabic script (during the seventh century, as the Arabs conquered Roman territory, they continued to mint the Roman coin types, but added Arabic inscriptions to them).

A dragon, the badge of the Kingdom of the Midrealm, was incorporated into the design by placing it on the shield on the figure's [Jafar's] shoulder.

It took 50 total hours for Cnulle to complete the Jafar type, which was issued the following month.

The Jafar type was one of the earlier in the series. The final St. Hildegard copper, No. 45, the "Mjolnir Heatherlands/Thor's Hammer" type, was minted in AS 40 (2005).

Minting of the St. Hildegard coppers ended not because they'd become unpopular but because the price of copper had spiked so high that the metal content of each copper surpassed its redeemable value of \$1. Cnulle and Kidman also wanted to move onto other projects, which for Cnulle included producing dies and tokens for Arkansas-based Shirepost Mint. Those dies and tokens included those produced for the HBO series "Game of Thrones," Cnulle's "The Faceless Man" token and his "Daler of New Dale."

The St. Hildegard coppers feature in multiple volumes of Krause Publications' "Unusual World Coins" as "Coinage of the Realm."

Chulle continued to redeem the St. Hildegard coppers at their \$1 face value up until his final event, An Tir September Crown AS 43 (2011) in the Barony of Glymm Mere. Cnulle died unexpectedly the following November.

"St. Hildegard Coppers" details even more of the coppers' history.

# MIDREALM EVENT

## JAN.

## Sat. Jan 03

## Pentamere Twelfth Night

The Barony of Roaring Wastes 800 Vernier Rd, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236

## Kíngdom Twelfth Níght

Barony of the Middle Marches 10299 Maple Dell Rd, Marysville, OH 43040

## Sat. Jan 17

## Festival of Maidens 51 - All in One

Shire of Caer Gwyn Gordyville USA Arena 2205 County Rd 3000 N Gifford, IL 61847

## Winter Wassail

Shire of Rivenvale 10786 Mahoning Ave North Jackson OH 44451

## Sun. Jan 25

Pale Deadline for March

## FEB.

## Sat. Feb 7

## South Oaken Day of Classes

Barony of Flame/Shire of Dragonsmark 3521 Goldsmith Ln, Louisville, KY, 40220

## **Snowshoe Hare**

Canton of Woods End
399 Chestnut St, Greenfield OH 45123

## Sat. Feb 14

## St. Valentíne's Day Massacre

Canton of Three Hills 2900 Lake Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49048

## Sat. Feb 21

## Herald's Pointe et Scribal Collegium

Canton of Wealdlake 1016 E Newburg Rd, Durand MI 48429

## Weds. Feb 25

Pale Deadline for April

## Sat. Feb 28

## Courting on the River

Shire of Dark River
1201 13th St. Moline II. 61265

The Midrealm unit at 100 Minutes War, featuring Their Highnesses. Photo by Mistress Gianna Vettori (Nicole Davaris).



## Midrealm Events

## Kingdom Twelfth Night Barony of the Middle Marches

Saturday, January 3, 2026 9:00am to 9:00pm

10299 Maple Dell Rd Marysville, OH 43040 Camp Christian

Member \$12 prereg / \$15 day of Non-Member \$22 prereg / \$25 day of 0 to 17 years are free

Feast \$15

From West and East alike, come taste most rare English and Serbian delights.

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Lady Constance Fassnacht (Leslie Eleanor Mathers)

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middlemarches.midrealm.org/events/twelfth-night

Pentamere Twelfth Night

January 3, 2026, Site opens 10:00 am, closes 10:00 pm.

First English Lutheran Church 800 Vernier Road Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236 Sponsored by The Barony of Roaring Wastes

https://roaringwastes.org/2025/10/21/bar ony-of-roaring-waste-pent12thnight2026/

Come join us for a festive celebration of the season. Feasting, revelry, music and mirth. More details will be available on the event web site.

Non members, \$25.00. Members, \$15.00

Event steward: Forester Celina Dawen mka Crystal Witt. (ciwitt@hotmail.com)

## Festival of Maidens 51: All in One

The Shire of Caer Gwyn cordially invites you to teach, learn, shoot, fight, or just be here with friends who love and have missed you this last year.

We're in a huge new venue with acres of indoor space. In addition to all the things you've come to love and expect from Maidens, we're also hosting a Queens Prize Tourney and will have all day target archery!

**When**: January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026, 7:00AM – 8:00PM

Where: 2205 County Rd 3000 N, Gifford, IL 61847

**Cost**: \$30 (\$20 member), 17 and under free.

**Web**: https://caergwyn.midrealm.org/festival-of-maidens-51-all-in-one/

Event Stewards: Lucius Antonius Ursus (Andrew Marks) and Lena of Wurm Wald

(Shelly Marks)

**Phone**: 217.974.5731

Email: r.andrew.marks@gmail.com

## Midrealm Events

The Shire of Rivenvale presents

## WINTER WASSAIL

Come join us for a relaxed evening of dancing, feasting and fun!

Period Garb is required and feast gear is recommended.
Please bring a period food item or drink to share.

Event is on the 2nd floor, accessible by chairlift. Site is dry. Commercial kitchen available.

January 17<sup>th</sup> Time: 2pm-8pm (Dinner at 6!)
Fee: **Free**. Donations accepted.
Location: **First Federated Church**10786 Mahoning Ave, North Jackson, OH 44451

Event Steward & Website: THL Katherine Coscombe (Katherine Garlick) Contact: catnik@gmail.com, (724)840-9075 Website: rivenvale.org/events/winter-wassail

Canton of Three Hills St. Valentine's Day Massacre 2026 Canton of Three Hills February 14, 2026 9am to 9pm

Kalamazoo County Expo Center 2900 Lake St, Kalamazoo, MI 49048

#### Fees:

Registration (18+): \$25 SCA Members (18+): \$15; (6-17): \$5; (0-5): Free Family Cap: \$55; SCA members \$45 There is no preregistration for the event

https://threehills.midrealm.org/valday2026

Event Steward: Lady Isobella Gray (Alanna Fitzgerald) isobellagray4@gmail.com

### Winter Revel

January 17th 2026, 9am - January 18th,

Palmer Lodge Bertha Brock Park 2311 Bluewater Hwy, Ionia, MI 48846

Hosted by
Andelcrag, Midrealms

#### Registration

Adult site, Full Price: \$20

Child site: \$10 Feast: \$15

Children 5 and under: Free

#### Event Steward

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#### Website

https://andelcrag.github.io/ Under 'Events'

The Barony of the Flame & The Shire of Dragonsmark bring you:

## South Oaken Day of Classes

Offering a variety of beginner friendly classes including: Printmaking, Wire Weaving, Poetry, Movement for Combat, Fabric Dying and more!

February 7, 2026. 9am-3pm

www.dragonsmark.midrealm.org/sodoc/

St. John Paul Parish Life Center 3539 Goldsmith Ln. Louisville, KY 40220

Adult Member Discount: \$5 Adult: \$15

Youth: (6-17) \$5, (Under 5) Free

Lunch \$5

Event Stewards: Dame Lote (Abby Stranathan) winterbornwhimsy@gmail.com.
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## Mídrealm Events

## Virtual Chatelaines Summit

## Saturday, January 31, 2026 from 12 noon (CST)

- Register now for this full-day Zoom event, where we will share the truths of the office and work on ending some of the myths about it.
- Attendees will have a chance to go into 'breakout rooms' to provide feedback on topics such as recruitment, retention, and marketing.



Register online at: <a href="https://www.sca.org/virtual-chatelaines-summit-jan-31-2026/">https://www.sca.org/virtual-chatelaines-summit-jan-31-2026/</a>

Email questions to chatelaine@sca.org

## The Shire of Dark River invites you to: Courting on the River!

February 28, 2026

Held at: Bethel Wesley UMC 1201 13th Street Moline, IL 61265

Doors open at 8:30am. Close at 9pm.

Adult Registration (18+): \$20 Adult Member Discount Registration (18+): \$10 Child Registration (6-17): \$5

Feast: \$15

Event Steward: Baroness Adelicia Marie d'Argent (Sarah Beldin) can be reached at sarahbeldin@msn.com

https://darkriver.midrealm.org/courting-main-page/

Barony of Cynnabar Terpsichore In the Tower XXIX

> March 27, 2026 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm Set up and open dancing

March 28, 2026 8:30 am - 9:00 pm Dance Classes Evening Ball and Dessert Revel

Westminster Presbyterian Church 1500 Scio Church Rd, Ann Arbor, MI

> Adult fee \$25 Adult members \$15 Youth (0-17) Free

www.cynnabar.org/terpsichore

Event Steward: Claire FitzWilliam, OP (Linda Duvall) 734-429-9301 clairefw@aol.com



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a. January 25, 2026 b. April 25, 2026 - Hybrid -Location TBA

c. July 19, 2026 d.October 17, 2026 – Hybrid – Location TBA

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a. Tuesday December 16, 2025 (Tentative)

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