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THE DORING OF FACE SOUND

From Their Royal Majesties, James and Christine, King and Queen of Gleann Abhann

The winds rise, the drums thunder, Stormborn of Gleann Abhann—Stand and hear us speak! Not with whispers, but with the voice of storm and steel!

Our Coronation, graciously hosted by the Barony of Grey Niche, remains a shining memory—it was perfect in every way. We thank the autocrats, staff, and every single soul who labored to ensure the day was worthy of our Kingdom. From this strong foundation, our reign begins, built upon the same spirit that endured the deep waters.

We thank our loyal friends from abroad, Calontir and Trimaris, for traveling to celebrate the crowning of our strength. We extend a salute of deepest honor to Her Royal Majesty, Bronach of Kildare, whose presence illuminated our Court, carrying the glory of Trimaris across the borders to grace our celebration. May the road always rise to meet you.

To our incredible and tireless Royal Entourage, your loyalty and love are the twin pillars of our Court. Thank you for your support.

We are exceedingly proud to announce the formal elevation of new Peers who now walk among the legends. Congratulations to Mistress Katerina and Master Robert! Your dedication, skill, and honor are exemplary, and your entry into the Peerage is a moment of deep pride for all of Gleann Abhann. We congratulate all those announced for future honors; your deeds are recognized, and your names will be remembered.

And now, the hour of trial soon returns. The time for the next great contest of arms is swiftly approaching, upon which the Kingdom's fate and legacy will be decided by the clash of steel and the proving of hearts. The call is not merely a formality; it is a summons to destiny. Crown List approaches. Crown List calls to you. Will you answer this call?

While the call of the shield wall is loud, the strength of our Kingdom lies in our kinship. We look forward to meeting with you all and strengthening our bonds. Watch for announcements of social hours at upcoming events where we can set aside the sword and simply meet and mingle with friends throughout the day.

We are Stormborn. Our strength is Unshaken. Our will is Unyielding. Our future is Unbroken.
In faith and with love,

O you who bear sword and honor— You who ride with wolves, who feast with fire in your veins, who know the weight of mail and the song of steel— Hear now the voice of your King and Queen!

The Crown calls.

The sky darkens.

The horns of fate sound once more,
And the gates of destiny groan open.
The time of choosing will soon be upon
us.

Who among you will rise? Who will dare stand on the sacred field,

Where honor is tested, and kings are forged in noble combat?

We summon not the faint-hearted, but those whose blood burns with ancient thunder, Shield-brothers, sword-sisters, those who know The weight of oaths and

the hunger for glory!
Raise your weapons! Call upon the ancient legacy of fate, and let your courage echo from mountain to sea, for only the fiercest shall wear the Crown of Gleann Abhann!

Come forth, champions.

Let your consort's name be your battle cry! Let your deeds be sung by skalds for generations yet unborn! Let the gods of war look down and nod in approval as you carve your worth upon the bones of the earth!

The Ravens circle. The Wolves wait. The gods watch. The ancestors stir. It is the season when glory may be won or lost. It is the hour for warriors to write their names in legend. Crown List rises.

The Crown is not given. It is earned, in sweat and struggle, in bruises and broken breath, in moments when your soul is laid bare before gods and mortals alike.

By our words, By our blood, By our deeds, By the dream we all defend—
We, the King and Queen of Gleann Abhann,
CALL YOU TO THE LIST!





Greetings from your temporary emergency replacement chronicler hologram,

Last issue was under a lot of time pressure, and I was not able to take a moment to thank Baroness Alienor de Ryggeby for her hard work and dedication to the Ambassador over the past few years. It is a difficult job, but under her guidance, the Ambassador never looked better. Her artistic skills took our Kingdom's newsletter to new heights. We have big shoes to fill!

With that said, I am happy to announce that Baroness Ellyn Heath of Hemingford Grey has signed on as my deputy and will be taking the reins of the Ambassador in the near future. Baroness Ellyn was chronicler for the Barony of Seleone and Caer Dunn and was the winner of the Society's William Blackfox award for layout and design. Her work is fabulous, and I can't wait to see her ideas for our Kingdom's newsletter take off.

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CORNER











"Burn old wood, read old books, drink old wines, have old friends." —Alfonso X, King of Castile

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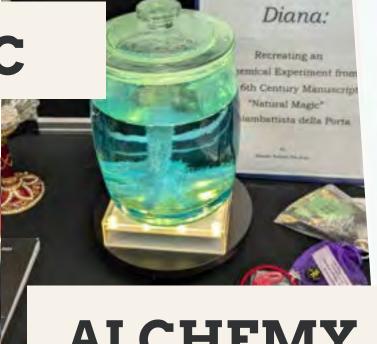




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Crash Course in Offeraldry Offingdom Alms & Othersonal Alms

Have you ever been at an SCA event and felt completely transported? That shiver of stepping back in time? A huge part of that magic is heraldry, the pageantry of banners, shields, and personal devices.

These aren't just pretty pictures. They are the living history of our society, each one telling a story. A knight's emblazoned shield, a baron's magnificent banner, or a simple pennon flapping in the breeze—each is a vibrant piece of who we are in the Current Middle Ages.

They bring the glory of the past to life and make us feel like we're part of something truly grand and timeless. The next time you see a field of colorful banners or a person proudly wearing their device, take a moment to appreciate the magic they bring to our world. It's a key part of the illusion, the pageantry that makes the SCA so special.

Just like a good story has a plot and characters, heraldry has a system of rules that give it meaning and structure. These aren't just for show; they ensure that every coat of arms is unique and easily recognizable from a distance, which was a matter of life and death on the medieval battlefield. In the SCA, following these rules is what makes our heraldry feel so authentic.

Here's a look at some of Gleann Abbann's Heraldic Laws:

Article I.

Arms of Gleann Abbann Section 1.01

The Royal Arms of the Sovereign shall be: Per pale gules and sable, a ram rampant within a laurel wreath and in chief a coronet argent.

A. These arms may be borne by the Crown Prince, differenced with a label argent.

Section 1.02

The Royal Arms of the Consort shall be: Per pale gules and sable, a ram rampant within a wreath of roses and in chief a coronet argent.

A. These arms may be borne by the Crown Princess, differenced with a label argent.

Section 1.0

The Royal Arms of the Kingdom, Consort or Their heirs shall not be displayed, save in the Their Presence or as the symbols of Their Presence. Section



SOVEREIGN/KING LAUREL WREATH AND CROWN



WREATH OF ROSES AND CROWN



PRINCE LAUREL WREATH, CROWN AND LABEL



PRINCESS WREATH OF ROSES, CROWN



ORIGINAL AT WORK BY DUCHESS DIANA OF THE ISLE APPROPRIATE USE OF THE POPULACE BADGE

An excellent example of a personal device, this happens to be the newest Pelican of Gleann Abhann device. Congratulations, Maestro Juan Carlos, on this distinguished achievement!

Per bend sinister gules and sable, a bend sinister cotised between a quill pen bendwise sinister and a wolf's head erased contourny

argent

Section 1.04

The Badge of Gleann Abhann shall be: fieldless, a ram clymant argent, which all subjects of Gleann Abhann are entitled to bear or display.

A. All branches of the Kingdom of Gleann Abhann are entitled to display, at any official event, the Badge of Gleann Abhann.

"Please note that nowhere in these designs do you see a "wreath" or a "coronet" being used, which is exactly how it should be. The "laurel wreath" is a RESERVED and RESTRICTED charge used exclusively to denote an official SCA Branch, or the HEAD of an official SCA Branch. It can not, and should not, be used or displayed by just "anybody". Likewise, a "wreath/chaplet of roses" and a "crown/coronet" have very specific meanings as well, and their use is highly restricted. If you have any doubts or concerns about what you are actually eligible to display, please contact either your local herald/pursuivant, or the Diamond Herald, for assistance and guidance in this matter." - gleannabhann.net

MAESTRO JUAN CARLOS SANTIAGO Y BENEVIDEZ DE VILLA LOBOS



ELEVATED AT KINGDOM A&S - PHOTO CREDIT MAESTRO GRAV

The Rule of Tincture

This is the most fundamental rule. It states that you cannot place a metal on a metal, or a color on a color. This ensures a high-contrast, visible design.

Metals are Or (gold/yellow) and Argent (silver/white).

Colors are Azure (blue), Gules (red), Sable (black), Vert (green), and Purpure (purple).

For example, you can't have a blue lion on a green field, but a blue lion on a gold field is perfectly acceptable. This rule makes SCA heraldry pop and makes it immediately identifiable.

Charges and Postures

The symbols placed on a shield are called charges. These can be anything from animals and plants to geometric shapes. To be heraldically correct, charges must be stylized and two-dimensional, not realistic or "photographic."

Animals have specific postures that describe their position, like a lion rampant (standing on one hind leg) or a wolf passant (walking).

Uniqueness

Your heraldic device is your personal emblem. It must be unique and not conflict with any other registered device in the SCA or with a well-known historical or modern symbol. This prevents confusion and ensures your identity is distinct. The SCA College of Arms maintains a database of all registered names and armory to prevent duplicates.

By following these guidelines, SCA heralds and members create beautiful, meaningful, and historically plausible art that truly brings the Middle Ages to life



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FIGHTER'S GOLLEGIOM SAVE THE DATE



HUNTSMAN'S HARVEST VII THE HUNTER RETURNS

The Shire of Coill Fhionnabhann

We haven't gathered to share the harvest in ten years please help us reunite again with fighting, feasting, live weapons, a chili cook off fundraiser lunch and feast supper with harvestide activities for all.

Floral Arkansas is a community in Independence County located 20 minutes south-southwest of Batesville.

November 15th, 2025 9am-7pm **Hutchinson Mountain Community Center** 3370 Camp Tahkoda Road, Floral, AR 72534

Discreetly wet site

Adult Member \$15 Adult Non Member \$25 Children Under 18 Free Feast \$10

Cash Only at the door. Paypal Deadline October 31, 2025 Make Checks payable to SCA, Inc., Kingdom of Gleann Abhann

Please direct any questions to the Event Steward, we're happy to help! Check out the Kingdom Facebook event for more information and discussions.

Children 17 and under do not pay site registration for admission into an event. Child registration Does Not include feast. This means those youth wishing to attend the feast will need to purchase a ticket to the feast. Minors must be accompanied by a parent, legal guardian, or custodial adult with a signed waiver

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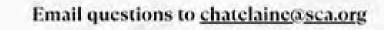
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Virtual Chatelaines Summit

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: https://www.sca.org/virtual-chatelaines-summit-jan-31-2026/



FALL CROWN LIST



Opens Friday at 5:00 pm until Sunday at 9:30 am

Event Prices	Day Trip	Feast	Bed
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71226. PayPal cutoff date: October 23, 2025. Make checks payable to: "SCA Inc. Shire of Ardanroe" P.O. Box 44542 Shreveport, LA 71134. Cash only at the door.





WAR OF THE RAMS XII

Come for the battles! Stay for the friends!



Jovember 20-23, 2025 Site opens at 8am Thursday Site closes 2pm Sunday

Two Full Days of Combat

Chivalric - C&T - Rapier - Youth Combat - Archery - Melees - Mini-Tourneys Equestrian - TW - Revelry - Bardic - A&S - Classes - Merchants - Taverns

KINGDOM CHAMPIONSHIPS: Royal Lancer - Thrown Weapons - ME Dance BORDERMARCH CHAMPIONSHIPS: A&S - Equestrian - Bardic

A lot more information at Waroftherams.org

Hosted by Barony Bordermarch

Adult Member Discount Registration: \$40

Adult Event Registration: \$50 Youth/Children under 18: FREE

Make Checks to "SCA Inc./Barony Bordermarch"

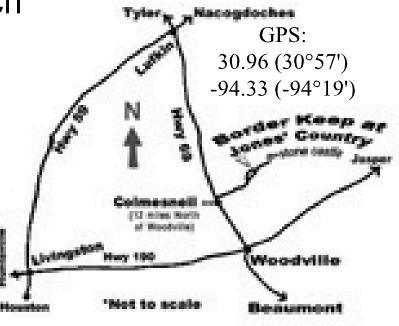
"Minors must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. They may also attend with a 21-year-old or older adult with a signed and notarized Minor Event Waiver from the parents."

EVENT STEWARDS

TE Gabrielle de Lacy & Meurik the Humble Krysten and Bryan Smith 409-201-4276 Stewards@WaroftheRams.org

Pre-Registration open, closes Nov.4th Land Allocation by Pre-Reg Only

NO Early or After Hours arrival - Like other Wars Gate open Thurs. 8am-Midnight, Fri. 6am-Midnight, Sat.at 6am See website for site rules, schedules and more



At Border Keep
(Jones Country Music Park)
5754 Recreational Rd 255
Colmesneil, TX 75938





KNOWN WORLD

SATURDAY, NOV 29, 2025

NEWCOMER'S SYMPOSIUM

SUNDAY, NOV 30, 2025

Engage in an online gathering for newcomers to the Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA)! This exciting event offers a mix of education and camaraderie for those new to the SCA. Participate in classes on historical arts, fighting, and so much more. There's something for everyone! Connect with seasoned members and peers, engage in discussions, and make new friends within this vibrant community. We look forward to seeing you!

To sign up for the event, or to propose a class to teach, fill out the Registration Form at:

https://www.atenveldt.org/kwns-2025/

Closer to the date of the event, you will receive an emailed link inviting you to the symposium, as well as a course book for the event. Class Proposal Registration ends October 31st.

Time: 8:00 AM to 12:00AM CST Sponsoring Group: Kingdom of

Atenveldt

Location: Held virtually on Zoom

Event Registration Fees: Free

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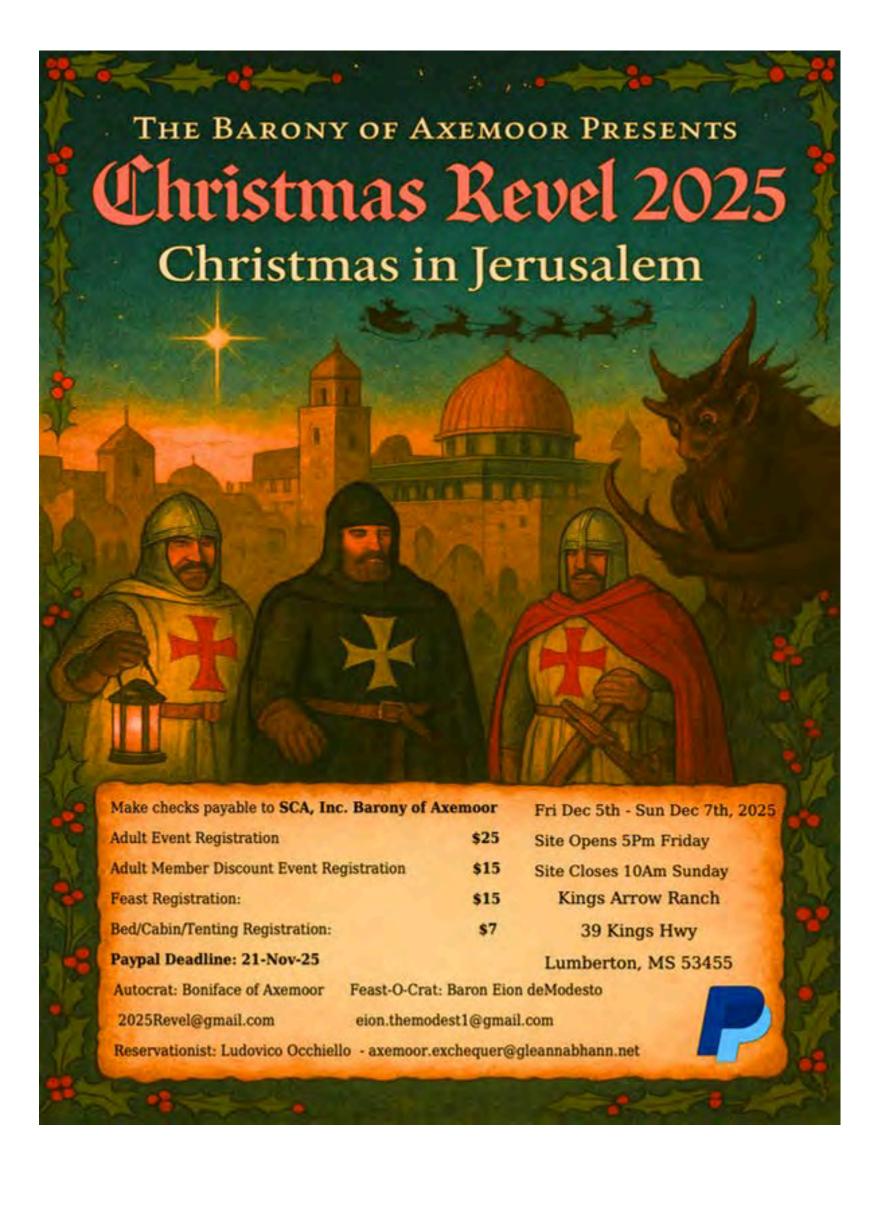
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*Time subject to change







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Winter Wonders XXXIX:

39 and Still Going Strong!

Hosted by the Shire of Ardanroe

January 16-18, 2026 at Jimmie Davis State Park

Site Opens Friday at 5:00 PM and Closes Sunday at 9:30 AM

Have you ever wondered how to become a combat archer? Need to add a new, or refresh a current, authorization? Opportunities to authorize in many of the martial arts shall be afforded. Come join us at Winter Wonders XXXIX!

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Site Directions (from east heading west): From I-20, take exit 108 for LA-546.5 forward Cheniere. Turn left onto LA-546.5. Turn right onto LA-34.5. Turn right onto LA-4 W/Shell Ave. Turn left onto Lakeshore Dr. Turn right onto Caney Lake State Park Rd. Site Directions (from west heading east). From I-20, take exit 85. Turn right onto N. Trenton st. Continue onto S Vienna st. Turn left onto Riser Rd. Take LA-146.E to Caney Lake State Park









"Justice is the constant and perpetual wish to render everyone his due." ~ the Byzantine Emperor Justinian (527-565)



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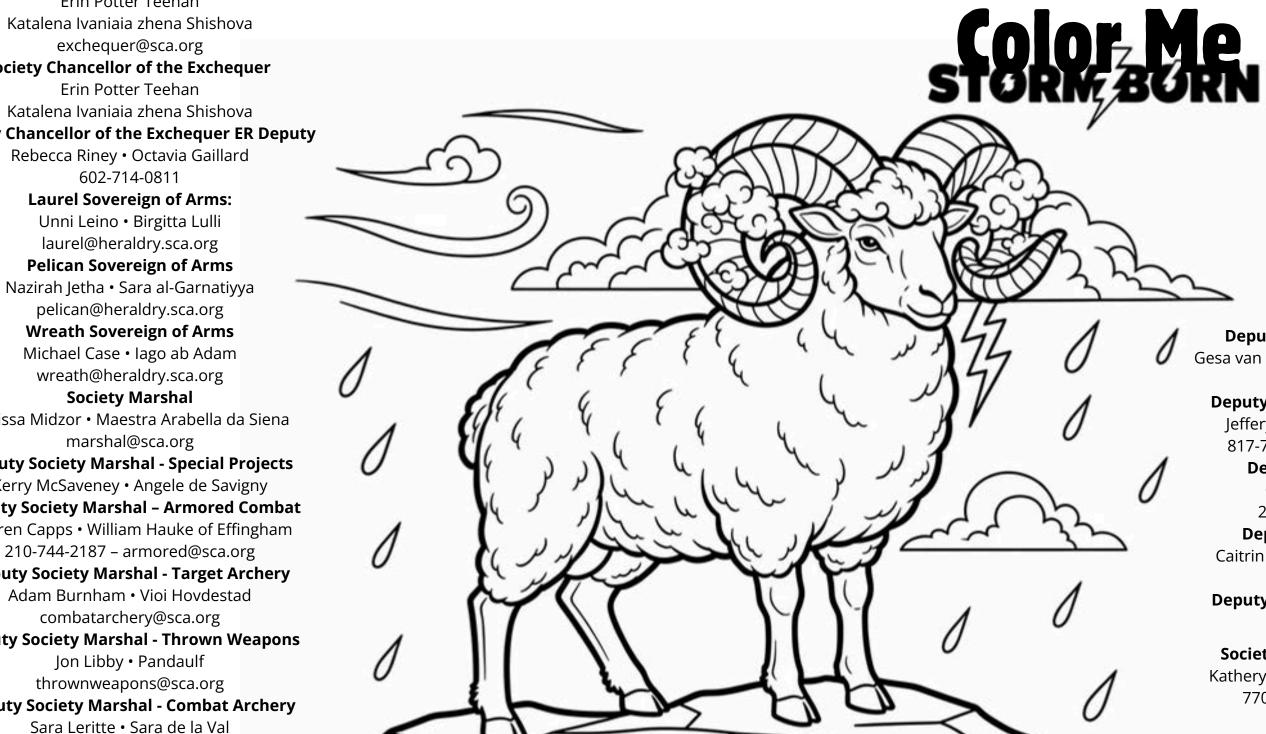
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