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Northshield Event Calendar

NOTICE: All events are subject to being canceled if, at the time the event is to be held, modern civil authorities have issued restrictive orders related to public gatherings pursuant to their COVID-19 mitigation efforts.

Although the SCA complies with all applicable laws 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.

October 2025 (AS LX)

20Deadline for December 2025 *Northwatch* (Legal)

November 2025 (AS LX)

- 1Stellar University of Northshield, Shire of Silfren Mere (Rochester, MN) ♀
- 1Calontir Heraldic, Scribal, & Dance Symposium, Kingdom of Calontir (Ames, IA)
- 8Northshield Rapier Academy, Shire of Rockhaven (St Cloud, MN) ♀
- 8Tournament of Chivalry, Shire of Skerjastond (Chassel, MI) ♀
- 15The Catfish Ball, Barony of Jararvellir (Madison, WI)
- 15An Tir Heraldic & Scribal Symposium, Kingdom of An Tir (Beaverton, OR) ♀
- 20Deadline for January 2026 *Northwatch* (TBD)
- 29Known World Newcomers' Symposium, Kingdom of Atenveldt (Virtual)

December 2025 (AS LX)

- 6Feast of the Boar's Head – 50 Years of Caer Anterth, Barony of Caer Anterth Mawr (West Bend, WI) ♀
- 20Winter Regional Melee Practice, Barony of Jararvellir (Madison, WI) ♀
- 20Deadline for February 2026 *Northwatch* (TBD)

January 2026 (AS LX)

- 17Nordskogen's 12th Night – Snow on Mt. Fuji, Barony of Nordskogen (Ramsey, MN) ♀
- 20Deadline for March 2026 *Northwatch* (TBD)



👑 Sovereign will attend
 👑 Sovereign's Consort will attend
 👑 Royal Heir will attend
 👑 Royal Heir's Consort will attend
 🌙 Laurel Meeting
 🦅 Pelican Meeting
 🛡 Defense Meeting
 🏰 Chivalry Meeting
 ✨ Stallari Meeting

Listing your event on the calendar does not place an ad in the *Northwatch*. To submit your event advertisement for publication in the *Northwatch*, submit the required information to the Event Information Officer (calendar@northshield.org) before the 15th of the month before the month of publication (i.e., May 15th for the July issue). To contact the Northshield Event Information Officer, send a message to calendar@northshield.org.

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Northshield: www.northshield.org

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QUARTERLY BOARD MEETINGS

All meetings start at 10:00 am. Note: Attendees are asked to wear modern clothing to Board meetings. (Agenda deadlines are first of month of meeting.) **Meetings are tentatively scheduled for the following locations; however, depending on "safer-in-place" regulations in effect, meetings may be handled by VoIP.

October 2025 meeting: Hybrid. January 2026 meeting: TBD. April 2026 meeting: TBD. July 2026 meeting: TBD.



Their Royal Majesties

No missive this month.

Wu & Tom

Their Royal Highnesses

No missive this month.

Coming soon!



Kingdom Seneschal

No missive this month. Please see a Law update below.

Morgaine

Greetings,

My name is Katerinka Lvovicha and I am the Law Clerk for the Kingdom. Part of my job is to ensure that Kingdom Law is maintained and updated.

LAW UPDATE COMING SOON:

The current version of Kingdom Law has not been updated in a few years. Stallari and I are aware of the issue and are actively working to bring everything current. I am hoping to have an updated version of Kingdom Law available in the coming months.

STYLE GUIDE REVISION:

Last year, Kingdom Law turned 20. With age comes inconsistencies in formatting, layout, and structure. As part of a larger modernization effort, Northshield's laws will be moving to a standardized format and style. After some research, I have suggested that we adopt the general standards as outlined in the United States House of Representatives House Legislative Counsel's Manual on Drafting Style. It is a freely available resource which is regularly updated. I am hopeful that this will make our laws easier to read and refer to going forward.

Please do not hesitate to reach out if you would like to assist with this process, or have any questions regarding the proposed changes.

Best regards,

Katerinka



Chancellor of the Exchequer

No missive this month.

Lachlann



Kingdom Minister of Arts & Sciences

Greetings, Northshield,

I'm so pleased to be able to announce that Meisterin Evelein Jantz, Storm Bird, is stepping up to fill the vacant Woodlands Regional MOAS position. I'm very grateful to Meisterin Evelein for taking this on.

Mistress Anplīca Fiore's term as Emergency Deputy MOAS is coming to a close. Mistress Anplīca has been an exemplary Emergency Deputy, serving with Master Farolfus in his term as KMOAS, extending through the beginning of mine to help me get settled. That being said, it's time for her to step down, and we are looking for a replacement. The Emergency Deputy can consider becoming the next KMOAS, but that is not a requirement. If you are interested, please email me.

We are looking for bids for the Northshield A&S Faire in June of 2026, and SUN for next November. If your group is interested in hosting, I'm available to help out with questions, event ideas or bids; email at moas@northshield.org. We'd like to get those bids in as soon as possible! If your group is considering hosting, let's talk.

Yours,

Neave



Kingdom Chronicler

Greetings unto Northshield,

This is a reminder that Domesday reports for Chroniclers, Webministers, and SMOs are due by November 25th.

Thank you to Sir Abelard and everyone involved for all their efforts to update and transition the Northshield website.

This was a considerable undertaking and vital to the Kingdom's ability to share information.

We are still looking for someone to take over the role of the Editor of the *Northwatch*. Please contact chronicler@northshield.org if you are interested in this position or have questions about the role.

The *Northwatch* is a fantastic way to showcase all the great work being done in Northshield. Are you teaching a class at S.U.N. this month? Please consider sharing content for future issue. The deadline for *Northwatch* items is the 20th of the month (and always listed in the calendar at the start of the issue).

Yours in Service,

Sarra



Northwatch Editor

Cén scéal? What's the news?

I am looking for a successor for the post of *Northwatch* Editor! We need to fill this post as soon as possible. This position requires about 10 hours of work per month.

Congratulations and vivat to all of our newly recognized members of their orders and awardees. It is always a joy to share the award lists from Northshield's Royal Courts with the Kingdom. This month, enjoy a collection of shields through the ages.

Please submit art and articles about anything at all for the edification of the kingdom.

Our next issue will feature some updates regarding Kingdom Law.

Please send all questions or submissions to northwatch@northshield.org.

Grainne



Webminister

Greetings!

Thank you for your continued patience as we continue to work on the new site. There are a few things I wanted to call out in particular. These will appear in an FAQ somewhere on the site, along with other questions and answers. Also, we hope to distribute some 'how to' videos and teach some classes at SUN and other upcoming events.

When we migrated from the old site to the new one, we did a full data export in February and incremental exports after that. The last export we took was August 20. (The cutover was August 26.) If you are missing data from your profile, authorizations, office changeovers, or awards which might have been created between August 20 and August 26, please let us know so we can recover it.

Why can't I see peoples' contact information? A number of you have asked about being able to see contact information for people and officers. In order to improve performance we are hiding contact information and photos. We will be making some changes which will make it feasible to display this kind of information in the future.

Why is my email address missing / why can't I get an email from the system? The email addresses attached to each login were migrated from the old site, but only the original email address attached to a user's login. If you set up your user profile back in 2015 and you no longer have access to the email address you used then, you won't get a password email reset. We can change the email addresses attached to a user profile.

Why did my user name change? Usernames were not migrated over from the old site for reasons I won't go into. Usernames were established on the new site as the individual's email address with which they first registered on the old website. If someone was registered as PrincessPeach@princesspeach.com, their login will be PrincessPeach. (This is not an actual login.) This has caused some confusion. It is possible for us to change the username attached to an account, but it's not easy to do. If you're not sure what your username is, requesting a password change will also tell you your username. (You don't have to actually change your password if you receive one of those email messages.)

Why does my login keep failing? If you try to log in from a device which might have saved your login and password from the old site, and your login is something other than the preface to your email (see Usernames, above), the site might decide that you're trying to hack it. Your IP might be blocked at that time, meaning that you won't be able to connect from wherever you are unless the Web Support Team unblocks

your IP address. These blocks do clear themselves after about 24 hours, and people's IP addresses change periodically. If you send us your IP address and what login you used we can clear those faster. We may change the length of time the block lasts, but I'm afraid we can't turn that function off entirely.

How do I do (insert office-specific function here)? To perform office-related functions, you'll need to log in as that office. The offices of Seneschal, Webminister, and Exchequer for each group will have new logins assigned so they can log in using those offices. Those logins are also email addresses into which you will be able to log in, if you wish to use them. Those will be distributed by the Kingdom Webminister as they are created. Once they are created, the group webminister will have the ability to assign them, change who is assigned to them, and create additional email addresses in a subdomain. (Those will use the format of group.northshield.org - for instance, seneschal@ShireOfAbelard.northshield.org.)

How do I submit events? The group seneschal for each group can fill out an event submission form. In order to do so, they will need to log in with their officer email. Event stewards for the event will be able to make changes once the event has been approved. (That process goes like this: Group Seneschal submits the form, Event Information Officer approves the form, which makes the Event visible. Event Stewards can then make changes.)

Why can't I enter my whole profile? There is a character limit on user profiles, because of the way the database is set up, so people with long profiles don't crash the website. We're working on changing this, which will also mean that we can provide additional fields for people to fill out and use their photos. If you find that you can't update your profile, that's probably why.

Why can't I enter HTML text in my profile? There are filters in place on our web forms to strip out HTML tags in places where people can submit data. While you might just want to bold some text or force a line break, we're blocking that so that we can also block some low-level cyber attacks.

Where's my photo? We have everyone's photos from the old site safely stored

away. In fact, they're actually on the site, just not in places that people can easily see. We will be making some changes to the way profiles work so those can be visible again.

Where's my badge/device? We also have everyone's personal device images safely stashed, but we're also going to pull the registered devices, badges, and names out of OSCAR (the SCA Heraldry database) and display them. We need to work with the heralds to do that.

Why do I see weird colors? There are some places with weird colors, mostly text. If you come across those, we probably have as well, and we're working on correcting them. (This assumes that you're not having vision issues. Maybe close your eyes for a few minutes and see if the weird colors are still there.)

How do I create a new profile? Stay tuned for instructions about how to create a new profile.

In general! If you see something weird, or don't see something you expect to see, please let us know. You can email us at support@northshield.org (if you have problems), suggestions@northshield.org (if you're feeling helpful) or complaints@northshield.org (if you really want to vent).

In service,

Abelard



Kingdom Earl Marshal

No missive this month.

Armond



**SCA Corporate
Announcements**

**Applications Extended
– Deputy Exchequer for
NMR**

Are you a data wizard? The Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA) Inc. is seeking candidates for the position

of Society Deputy Exchequer for Non Member Registration (NMR) data. This position reports to the Society Exchequer.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Maintain and oversee the NMR data for the SCA
- Ensure timely and accurate NMR reporting across Kingdoms
- Compile and track event information across Kingdoms
- Communicate with Kingdom Exchequers to resolve any discrepancies
- Review and submit monthly invoice information to the Corporate Office
- Prepare and submit monthly and quarterly NMR reports

This is a volunteer position. Workload will vary but expect to put in an average of 5-7 hours per week.

Required for this position are:

- dependable email access;
- dependable phone access;
- moderate Microsoft Excel proficiency;
- moderate Microsoft Word proficiency; and
- the ability to clearly communicate verbally and in writing, i.e. in person and via email, phone, and in written reports.

- Prior experience as an exchequer in the SCA is highly recommended.

Interested applicants should send a letter of interest, together with modern and SCA qualifications to exchequer@sca.org.

People on the Move – Officer of Inclusive Programs

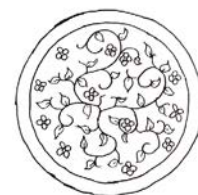
The SCA Inc. Board of Directors has appointed Emily Renee Carroll (She/Her/Hers) as the Officer of Inclusive Programs. This position plays a vital part in strengthening the SCA's commitment to building a respectful, inclusive, and welcoming community for all.

Emily Renee Carroll is currently an instructor at Colorado Technical University and Southern New Hampshire University. She teaches diversity, wellness, and sociology courses. Previously, she worked as a project manager for two different National Science Foundation (NSF) grants focused on increasing participation in STEM at the collegiate level for underrepresented groups. She lives in Jonesboro, AR with her husband (Chip), daughter (Aria), two granddaughters (Tempe and Willow) and 8 cats. She is a college graduate with MA's in Sociology and Criminal Justice and a Specialist in Community College Teaching. She loves going to

SCA events, watching wrestling, and spending time with her family.

The Honorable Lady Dominica Maquerelle inherited her husband's brothel in Avignon, France after his death in the late 14th century. She employed women who were homeless, poor, and abused to help them better their lives. She formed a partnership with the church, and in exchange for a significant donation to the church, men of the cloth would marry her employees as an act of charity, giving them a home and higher social standing. She loves advocating for others and helping coordinate events.

The Officer of Inclusive Programs serves as a strategic leader within the SCA's Corporate Office, tasked with shaping and guiding diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging (DEIB) initiatives across the organization. This role plays a crucial part in developing inclusive policy, creating impactful training programs, and fostering a culture of belonging for all members and volunteers.



HELP WANTED

See the Kingdom website at <https://northshield.org/help-wanted/> or email the contact below for complete descriptions of the following positions. Email addresses on page 2. See Kingdom Directory for other current vacancies.

- Kingdom Earl Marshal: Inquiries & applications should be sent to kem@northshield.org. Open until filled.
- *Northwatch* Editor: Inquiries & applications should be sent to the Kingdom Chronicler. Open until filled.
- Polaris Principal Herald: Send inquiries & applications to the Polaris Herald.
- Keythong Submissions Herald: Send inquiries & applications to the Polaris Herald.
- Eastern (Woodlands) Regional Deputy Seneschal: Inquiries & applications should be sent to the Kingdom Seneschal. Open until filled.
- Central (Lakes) Regional Deputy Seneschal: Inquiries & applications should be sent to the Kingdom Seneschal. Open until filled.
- Transitions and New Groups Deputy: Inquiries & applications should be sent to the Kingdom Seneschal. Open until filled.
- Kingdom Youth Officer: Inquiries & applications should be sent to the Kingdom Seneschal. Open until filled.
- Kingdom Advocate: Inquiries & applications should be sent to the Kingdom Seneschal. Open until filled.
- Emergency Deputy Kingdom Exchequer: Inquiries & applications should be sent to the Kingdom Exchequer. Open until filled.



Courts of TRM Skio & Aelina

Smiða Árferð (Makers' Harvest)

Here follows the report of the Court of Their Royal Majesties Skio and Aelina, held at Smiða Árferð, August 23, 2025, in the Shire of Skerjatrond.

Herald of Record: Ronin the Bowleg.

RECIPIENT

Atticus

HONOR

Award of the Black Flame

SCRIBES

Helen of Haldane



Fall Coronation

Here follows the Court Report of the Court of Skio and Aelina, King and Queen of Northshield, from Fall Coronation, held on September 13, 2025, in the Barony of Nordskogen.

Herald of Record: Abelard die Elster; Seneschal of Record: Morgaine Scott Blood; Signet: Tatiana Marana Melville; other herald: Aleksander Valahul.

RECIPIENT

Vladimir Radescu

HONOR

Order of the Griffin of Northshield (rapier)

SCRIBES

Étaín inghen Duibh Rea

Goda

Award of the Black Flame

Farolfus filius Richardi

Talitha of Ravensbridge

Award of the Cygnus

Tancorix inigena Bivaidonas

Caoilfhionn inghean Mhaghnausa

Order of the Hand of Tyr

Judith of Northwode

Kaydian Bladebreaker

Order of the Aquila et Fulmen

Svena Gandalfsdottir

The Roost

Award of the Hearthstead

Svena Gandalfsdottir

Amary Fairamay

Order of the Laurel

no scroll

Vladimir Radescu

Order of the Griffin of Northshield (armored combat)

Étaín inghen Duibh Rea

Jacquette d'Anjou

Order of Courtesy of Northshield

Derbáil ingen Néill

Peter Joynar

Order of Saltire

Eyvor Sigurdsdottir

Eithni ingen Talorgain

Order of the Beare of Northshield

Geirráðr hersir Kolbeinsson

Neomhan O'Maille

Their Majesties Joint Cypher

no scroll

Constanza de Sevilla

Their Majesties Joint Cypher

no scroll

Talitha of Ravensbridge

Court Baroness

Skio inn ríki

Fergus O'Dae

Court Baron

Skio inn ríki

Farolfus filius Richardi

Court Baroness

Skio inn ríki

Caoilfhionn inghen Cheallaigh uí Mhórdha

Their Majesties Joint Cypher

Skio inn ríki





Court of TRM Tom & Wu

Fall Coronation

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Herald of Record: Abelard die Elster; Seneschal of Record: Morgaine Scott Blood; Signet: Tatiana Marana Melville; other herald: Aleksander Valahul.

RECIPIENT	HONOR	SCRIBES
Axel Ulfgarsson	Order of Brigits Flame	Eysteinn Meinfritr
Skio inn ríki	Count of the Kingdom of Northshield	no scroll
Aelina Aelinesdottir	Countess of the Kingdom of Northshield	no scroll
Aelina Aelinesdottir	Order of the Rose	no scroll
Christiana Galyard de Caen	Order of the Crwth	Marguerite Larchier
Thyri Nielsdattir	Order of the Hand of Tyr	Decimus Marius Tacitus Ajax
Celestria de Clare	Order of Brigits Flame	Sarra Romney of Mermaids Inn
Jois Corbet	Vigilant for the Order of the Mark	no scroll



SHIELD BOSS (UMBO), LOMBARDY, 7TH C. CE.
MET MUSEUM (NY)

CHESS PIECE IN THE FORM OF A KNIGHT, ENGLAND, C.
1350-1360 C. CE.
MET MUSEUM (NY)



DEAR ABBESS,

I AM AN ASPIRING WARRIOR AND LIVE IN A VILLAGE ON THE RIVER SOAR. I SEE CHIEFTAINS WITH FINE BRONZE COVERINGS ON THEIR SHIELDS, AND MANY OTHERS HAVE SHIELDS MADE OF WOOD AND HIDE, SOME WITH METAL BOSSES AND FITTINGS. I CANNOT SEEM TO FIND THE RIGHT MATERIALS WHERE I LIVE, NOR CAN I AFFORD TO TRADE FOR THEM. IT MAY BE THE IRON AGE IN OTHER PARTS OF BRITAIN, BUT I HAVE NONE AND CANNOT AFFORD A COW'S HIDE. NOTHING SEEMS TO GROW NEAR MY HOME EXCEPT WILLOW TREES, HAZEL, POPLAR, AND THE OCCASIONAL SMALL LINDEN TREE. HOW CAN I PROTECT MYSELF IN BATTLE?

-WANNABE IN ENDERBY



DEAR WANNABE,

BELIEVE IT OR NOT, IF YOU HAVE ACCESS TO WILLOW TREES AND A BIT OF CORDAGE, YOU CAN MAKE A SHIELD WITH LITTLE ELSE! THE WILLOW BARK CAN BE

USED FOR THE BODY OF THE SHIELD, AND THE BOSS CAN BE WOVEN LIKE A BASKET USING THIN WILLOW BRANCHES AND LINDEN BAST. HAZEL CAN BE USED FOR THE SHIELD RIM, POPLAR FOR THE GRIP, AND YOU WILL HAVE YOURSELF A PERFECTLY FINE SHIELD WITHOUT NEEDING ANY METAL AT ALL. GIVE IT A TRY, AND TELL YOUR GRANDCHILDREN TO TELL THEIR GRANDCHILDREN TO WATCH OUT FOR ENEMIES COMING FROM ACROSS THE WATER...TRUST ME.

-ABBESS

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT EARLY IRON AGE BARK SHIELD CONSTRUCTION, TAKE A LOOK AT THIS POST FROM THE BRITISH MUSEUM. THE ENDERBY SHIELD WAS MADE FROM WILLOW BARK APPROXIMATELY 2,300 YEARS AGO AND WAS EXCAVATED FROM A MUDDY PIT NEAR LEICESTER. RECENTLY, A TEAM OF EXPERIMENTAL ARCHAEOLOGISTS WERE ABLE TO RECREATE THE SHIELD USING THE ORIGINAL TECHNIQUES.

[HTTPS://WWW.BRITISHMUSEUM.ORG/BLOG/HOW-MAKE-IRON-AGE-SHIELD-OUT-BARK](https://www.britishmuseum.org/blog/how-make-iron-age-shield-out-bark)

Do you have a medieval problem or quandary? Send your message to northwatch@northshield.org and include "Dear Abbess" in the subject line to get some expert advice.



THE BATTERSEA SHIELD
(LEFT), ENGLAND, C. 350-
50 BCE

COURTESY OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE BRITISH
MUSEUM (LONDON)



THE ENDERBY SHIELD
(RIGHT), ENGLAND, C.
400-190 BCE

COURTESY OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE BRITISH
MUSEUM (LONDON)



LEAD FIGURE OF A WARRIOR WITH
HELMET & SHIELD, GREECE, 6TH-5TH
C. BCE.

MET MUSEUM (NY)



WARRIOR WITH SHIELD,
CHINA, MID-LATE 6TH C. CE.

MET MUSEUM (NY)



STANDING SHIELD, GERMANY, EARLY 14TH C. CE.

MET MUSEUM (NY)



KNOWN WORLD NEWCOMER'S SYMPOSIUM

SATURDAY, NOV 29, 2025



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

Event Steward: Lady Victoria de la Encrucijada (MKA: Victoria Zambrano)

Email: victoriaencrucijada@gmail.com

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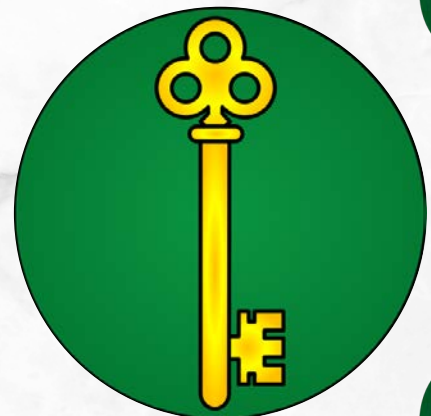
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Virtual Chatelaines Summit

**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/>**

Email questions to **chatelaine@sca.org**

NOVEMBER 8, 2025

SHIRE OF ROCKHAVEN

Northshield Rapier Academy



St. Cloud Armory
1710 Veterans Dr., St. Cloud, MN 56303 USA
Site opens 9am. Site closes 7pm.

Fees:

Adult (18+) \$25 Lunch: free will donation.
Adult Member (18+) \$15

Checks payable to SCA Inc-Shire of Rockhaven.

Planned Activities:

 Rapier.

No accessibility information available. Site is dry. No pets allowed.

Rapier Academy is returning this year in Rockhaven. It will be a day of learning focused around rapier (on the field, practice theory, and supporting the field).

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NOVEMBER 8, 2025

SHIRE OF SKERJASTRAND

Tournament of Chivalry



Chassell Township School
41585 US-41, Chassell, MI 49916 USA
Site opens 9am ET. Site closes 7pm ET.

Fees:

Registration by donation.

Checks payable to SCA MI Inc-Shire of Skerjastrend.

Planned Activities:

 Armored Combat.

Site is accessible. Populace/presence space available. No children's activities. No merchant space available. Site is dry.

Tournament of Chivalry will be hosted in the gym of the Chassell Township School! This will be a place for unbelts to test their abilities and train with the Knights.

Keep an eye on our website, especially close to the event date, for the updated schedule.

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<https://paulk225.sg-host.com/tournament-of-chivalry-fall-2025/>

NOVEMBER 15, 2025

BARONY OF JARARVELLIR

The Catfish Ball



St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church
6205 University Ave., Madison, WI 53705 USA
Site opens 8am for staff & royalty, 9am for populace. Site closes 10pm.

Fees:

Adult (18+) \$20 Youth (17 & under) free
Adult member (18+) \$10 Feast \$15, pre-reg required

Checks payable to SCA WI Inc-Barony of Jararvellir.

Planned Activities:

 Classes, Dancing.

Site is ADA compatible. Populace/presence space available. No merchant space available. Dessert Revel planned. Site is dry.

Join us for a Day of Dancing and Arts & Sciences, followed by an evening Ball!

Feast menu at the discretion of Thegn Samson Muskovich. It will be listed on Facebook.

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