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Paws and Pageantry

From loyal hounds to regal felines,
meet the pets ruling the Midrealm.

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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.

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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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The Pale

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From Their Royal Majesties

Unto the populace of the Middle Kingdom, greetings
from the encampment at Pennsic 53!

As the sun sets over the bustling fields of Cooper's Lake, our hearts are filled with immense pride for the unmatched spirit, prowess, and dedication you have all displayed. Pennsic is always a true testament to the strength of the Midrealm, but this year has felt particularly magnificent.

From the thunderous clash of shields on the battlefield to the brilliant displays of skill in the rapier list, our martial fighters have carried the Dragon banner with absolute honor. The halls of the Arts and Sciences display have overflowed with breathtaking historical craftsmanship, proving once again that the minds of the Midrealm are as sharp as our steel. Just as inspiring has been the tireless work of our tireless volunteers, water bearers, and camp coordinators, whose dedication ensures our kingdom remains a beacon of hospitality and community. Together, you have made this war a truly wonderful celebration of everything that makes our society great.

Yet, as the dust begins to settle here, our journey together is far from over. Let the camaraderie and

passion forged in these tents carry forward into the autumn winds. Look ahead with anticipation to the grand gatherings still to come on our calendar.

In particular, we bid you to ready your spirits and your gear for the upcoming Mounted War Games. Let the thundering hooves and the thrill of the equestrian field inspire you to push the boundaries of your skills. Whether you fight from the saddle, support from the sidelines, or gather around the evening campfires under the autumn stars, it promises to be an unforgettable weekend of chivalry, pageantry, and unparalleled community.

Thank you for your devotion, your laughter, and your enduring loyalty to the Midrealm. Travel safely home from the war, keep the fires of inspiration burning brightly, and we shall see you all very soon on the field of honor!

In warmth and victory,
Louis & Sadb

Crown of the Midrealm



Meet our Royal Meow-jesties, Louis and Sadb. Look for more Royal Cats in this month's *Beyond the Pale*. photo credit: Thora Beaumarchais

Middle Kingdom Royalty et Great Officers of State



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From Their Royal Highnesses

Unto the Noble Populace of the Middle Kingdom, do We, Radagaisus & Ceinwen, Crown Prince & Princess of the Midrealm send Salutations and Greetings:

In the wake of the great Pennsic War, time has come to secure the legacy of Our glorious Kingdom. As We ascend the Dragon Thrones, Our minds are set to a Crown Tournament to secure Our Heirs.

If you are minded to honor your Inspiration by fighting in Our Crown Tournament, We welcome you, subject to the criteria We have set forth below. Both Combatant and Consort must be eligible per Corpora & Kingdom Law, with appropriate identifications and memberships.

With this announcement, We would seek council from all Peers of Our Realm, but especially Royal Peers and, additionally, the Landed Baronage,, for you may be asked to endorse a Combatant or Consort. Letters of Recommendation, if necessary, are expected on the same schedule as Letters of Intent.

Crown Tournament is a momentous occasion to identify those individuals who possess skills necessary to lead this great Kingdom. We expect no one to pursue this endeavor lightly – you must be prepared to win. Look to your Consort and discuss this matter fully, before you make your submission. Honor and Chivalry are paramount, both on and off the List.

This Tournament shall be conducted with utmost fairness and transparency. Toward that end, We have set the following:

Conventions for the List

- As set down in Kingdom Law, the List shall be double elimination, with the first round pairings to be chosen at random.
- Each match will consist of a single bout.
- Individual bouts, save as stipulated for the Finals, need not be of matched weapons.
- The finals shall be best two-out-of-three bouts.
- The first two bouts of the finals will be matched styles, the higher-ranking combatant having first choice of weapons.
- The third bout of the finals, if necessary, will be fought with whatever weapons suit the individual combatants.

Expectations of Combatants

- A combatant's harness and weapons must be in good repair, and their appearance befitting the august venue of a Crown Tournament.
- No obvious duct tape should be evident in a combatant's harness, save on their weapons and as emergency repairs during the course of the Tournament.
- Obviously modern sporting equipment or emblems, including but not limited to footwear, should be covered or otherwise camouflaged.
- No plastic, other than in cup hilts and shield bosses, should be visible.

Rules for the Combats

- Thrusting to the face shall not be allowed.
- Two-handed weapons shall be no longer than 6 feet.
- Single-handed weapons shall be no longer than 42 inches from pommel to tip.
- Strapped heater-shaped shields may be no larger than 32" top to bottom. Shield width should be in proper proportion.
- Center-grip shields may be no more than 30" in any dimension.
- Save for the above restrictions, any SCA legal weapons form may be used.

Gaining Entry into the List

- Letters of Intent must be in the possession of the Crown (not postmarked) prior to the close of business on the date of Their Highnesses' Ascension to the Dragon Throne.
- Our Heirs will be responsible for planning and negotiating Pennsic 54 with Their East Kingdom cousins which will prevent Them from the "day to day" operations of the Dragon Host. Individuals who have Regional-level obligations to the Crown or to the Dragon Host should carefully consider these obligations before submitting Letters of Intent for entry into the List. We would expect entrants to have an affirmative replacement for their respective positions or offices, should they prove victorious. This includes but is not limited to Landed Baronage, and Regional Commanders & Executive Officers. With particular respect to Landed Baronage, a prospective

Vicar shall be available for interview by the Crown prior to the Crown's acceptance of the respective Letter of Intent..

- If neither member of an applicant couple is a Peer, then a Letter of Reference from a ROYAL PEER or LANDED BARONAGE must accompany the Letter of Intent.
- The first 32 couples found acceptable to the Crown shall be granted entry to the List. A list of alternates will be kept in the event that any couple originally selected is unable to participate.

The heralds require a rigid but lightweight rendering of your arms, approximately 12" x 12" for display at the Tournament.

Remember that your inspiration, for whom you've placed yourself upon this anvil, is the embodiment of Grace & Courtesy. Remember always that your actions

bear directly upon the Honor of your consort and your own reputation both on and off the field. We eagerly anticipate a wondrous display of champions who would put themselves forward to advance the favor those who inspire them to great deeds of chivalry.

Draco Invictus!

Radagaisus et Ceinwen

Tanist and Tanista of the Middle Kingdom



Nessie Rose needs a little more a little more work on sword technique before she is ready for Crown Tournament.

*photo credit:
Sarah Chapman*

Proposed Kingdom Law Changes

PROPOSED CHANGES TO MIDREALM 2-X-100 TO BRING THE MIDDLE KINGDOM IN LINE WITH COPORA

Updated with more Iowa zip codes to be published in the September 2026 Pale for commentary/

Citizens of the Middle Kingdom are:

A. Those persons who participate in the Society for Creative Anachronism and: A. Physically reside in any of the following:

USA: Michigan's lower peninsula, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky (with the exclusion of zip codes 38077, 38079, 38080, 38201, 38220, 38221, 38222, 38223, 38224, 38225, 38226, 38229, 38230, 38231, 38232, 38233, 38235, 38236, 38237, 38240, 38241, 38242, 38251, 38253, 38254, 38255, 38256, 38257, 38258, 38259, 38260, 38261, 38271, 38281, 42001, 42002, 42003, 42020, 42021, 42022, 42023, 42024, 42025, 42027, 42029, 42031, 42032, 42035, 42036, 42039, 42040, 42041, 42044, 42046, 42048, 42049, 42051, 42053, 42054, 42056, 42058, 42060, 42061, 42063, 42066, 42069, 42070, 42071, 42076, 42079, 42082, 42085, 42086, 42087, 42088, 42101, 42102, 42103, 42104, 42122, 42134, 42141, 42159, 42160, 42163, 42164, 42171, 42206, 42210, 42252, 42261, 42274, 42275, 42276 that are maintained by the Kingdom of Meridies, centered around Allen, Barren, Calloway, Logan, Simpson, and Warren counties), and a small part of Iowa (zip codes 52701, 52722, 52726, 52727, 52728, 52729, 52730, 52731, 52732, 52733, 52734, 52736, 52742, 52745, 52646, 52748, 52750, 52751, 52753, 52756, 52757, 52758, 52759, 52761, 52765, 52767, 52768, 52769, 52771, 52773, 52774, 52777, 52778, 52801, 52802, 52803, 52804, 52805, 52806, 52807, 52808, 52809, 61014, 61037, 61046, 61051, 61053, 61071, 61074, 61078, 61081, 61201, 61204, 61230, 61231, 61232, 61233, 61234, 61235, 61236, 61237, 61238, 61239, 61240, 61241, 61242, 61243, 61244, 61250, 61251, 61252, 61254, 61256, 61257, 61258, 61259, 61260, 61261, 61262, 61263, 61264, 61265, 61266, 61270, 61272, 61273, 61274, 61275, 61276, 61277, 61278, 61279, 61281, 61282, 61283, 61284, 61285, 61299, 61412, 61413, 61419, 61434, 61442, 61443, 61465, 61466, 61468, 61476, 61486, 61490) centered around Scott Counties with parts of Cedar, Clinton, Jackson, and Muscatine counties).

CANADA: Postal Codes starting with (N0P, N0R, N8H, N8M, N8N, N8O, N8P, N8Q, N8R, N8S, N8T, N8U, N8V, N8W, N8X, N8Y, N8Z, N9A, N9BC, N9D, N9E, N9F, N9G, N9H, N9I, N9J, N9K, N9L, N9M, N9N, N9O, N9P, N9Q, N9R, N9S, N9T, N9U, N9V, N9W, N9X, and N9Y) which are centred around Essex County and Windsor in Ontario, or

B. Lives outside the lands stipulated above but participates mainly within the Midrealm and has requested a treaty of citizenship with the Midrealm and has received written approval from both the Midrealm Crown and the Crown of the Kingdom in which they physically reside.



Exchequer

Unto the Populace of the Mighty Midrealm, greetings.

By the time you read this, the sounds of battle in the east will have been silenced and our thoughts will have turned toward the inevitable approach of Domesday.

The new Midrealm Financial Policy has been approved by the BoD and will go into effect on September 1. While there are not many changes, the document has been rewritten extensively to remove conflicts and organizational flaws that have built up over many years of editing and to delete sections that simply repeat language from Society policy. I encourage anyone who has (or would like to have) responsibility for SCA group finances to review the entire (shorter!) document. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

As I mentioned last month, we have groups that have not responded to us with financial reports or explanations of why contact has not been made. By the end of Q3 (reports due October 31), any groups remaining out of compliance will face consequences. We simply cannot wait until Domesday reconciliation time to chase everyone down. Please contact your Regional or me as soon as possible, especially if you are

having issues with your Midrealm.org email that we need to fix before the critical point in our reporting cycle.

We're still accepting applications for the Pentamere Regional Exchequer position. If you're interested, please send me a resume/CV listing any relevant experience, both SCA and "real world". More information can be found on the Kingdom Job Openings page at www.Midrealm.org.

If you are interested in becoming Kingdom Exchequer when my term ends in 2028, please contact me and we can discuss the requirements and the possibility of serving as a deputy until that time. It seems like a long way off, but those two years can go by very quickly, and I'd love to have a robust succession plan in place well ahead of time.

I'll be continuing Exchequer Round Tables at various events throughout all regions. If you are unable to meet with me in person, please feel free to email me at exchequer@midrealm.org with any questions, comments, or suggestions. Please be sure to thank everyone you know who work behind the scenes to keep our Society going strong – and consider volunteering some time to help out!

In service,

EM Dai Gerdur

Exchequer of the Middle Kingdom

Middle Kingdom Job Openings

Office of the Kingdom Seneschal

- *Midlands Regional Seneschal*

Office of the Exchequer

- *Pentamere Regional Exchequer*

Office of the Dragon Herald

- *Fenris Signet*

Minister of Youth

- *Pentamere Regional Youth Officer*
- *Dean of Page School*

Office of the Kingdom Chronicler

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

Office of DEIB

- *Constellation Regional DEIB Officer*
- *Midlands Regional DEIB Officer*
- *North Oaken Regional DEIB Officer*
- *Pentamere Regional DEIB Officer*
- *South Oaken Regional DEIB Officer*

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



Chatelaine

Hello, Midrealm family!

Although I'm not at Pennsic yet at the time I write this, I will say a big THANK YOU to everyone who stepped up to help with the Known World Newcomers' Party! If you, like me, didn't realize the Midrealm was responsible for this, now you do! I was very nervous no one would come and you all saved my bacon and made the Midrealm look good! Big thanks especially to Baroness Tamsin, whose organization and experience kept everything rolling smoothly. I'm sure it was a huge success!

I also wanted to introduce the final piece in our Regional Chatelaine puzzle: Baroness Meabh ingen Carthaig. She is taking over from Baroness Soffke,

who served in the role for six years!! Soffke has been extremely helpful with onboarding myself and the rest of the Regionals - all of whom are new this year. I'm very excited to welcome Baroness Meabh and deeply grateful to Soffke. Although, even though she's stepping down she can't seem to stop volunteering to help, so I have a feeling I'll be seeing her around...

I've said it before and I'll say it again - if you are on Team Chatelaine but haven't submitted a report this year, please do so or contact me at your earliest convenience so we can sort out any issues with accessing your email, finding the reporting form, or anything else that may be bugging you.

Thanks everyone!

Claricia de la Mere

Chatelaine of the Middle Kingdom



Minister of Arts and Sciences

Cześć Midrealm!

I would like to welcome Mistress Rhonwen merch Alun as the new Tournament of Arts Coordinator! Thanks go to Mistress Angharad Ferch Tangwystl for her service in this role.

As I am penning this missive, I am sitting under my shade fly on a beautiful sunny day at the Pennsic War. It seems like every time I come to Pennsic I go home with a new sub-hobby to try, motivation to make new garb, and rekindled interest in different aspects of the SCA that I've lost track of over the years. To those of you who go to Pennsic, what do you like to come home with? (And a mountain of laundry doesn't count!) What magical moments have you experienced?

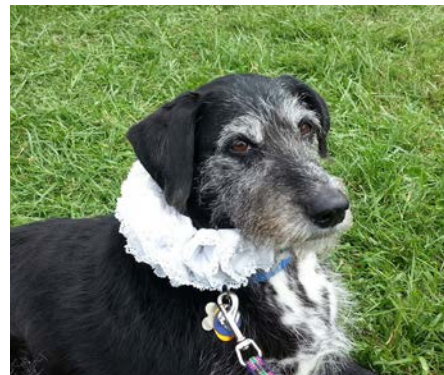
Finally, I was approached by an individual who is running the Known World Commedia dell'Arte Symposium in Pittsburgh, PA May 28-

30, 2027. More information can be found at debatablelands.aethelmearc.org/kwcs. If this sounds like something you would be interested in getting involved with, I can put you in touch with the class coordinator.

Have fun, make stuff, and share what you've learned,

Baronowa Alzbeta Michalik

Minister of Arts & Sciences for the Middle Kingdom



*Circe Blackram
in her ruff
photo credit:
Lisa Phillips*



Dragon Herald

OYEZ!

So you submitted your name and/or heraldry at Pennsic. Congratulations! Here's what's happens next:

1. The heralds at Pennsic Heralds Point upload the submission forms and send them to our hardworking Internal Submissions Herald. This usually happens in late August.
2. The Internal Submissions Herald proofreads the submissions and puts them on a discussion letter for all the kingdom heralds to comment on. This letter stays up for one month.
3. The Midrealm heralds have a meeting to discuss the submissions. If there's a problem, the heralds will return it and work with you to make it into something that will pass. Otherwise, our diligent External Submissions Herald will put your submission on another discussion letter, for heralds all over the Society to comment on. This letter usually stays open for about two months.
4. The top heralds in the Society have a monthly meeting where they will review all the comments and decide whether to return or approve your submission.

5. The submission goes on a final decision letter, and then it gets a few proofreading passes to make sure everything is accurate.
6. Finally, this letter is published, and our intrepid Notifications Herald sends you an email updating you on your submission's final fate.

The entire process usually takes 6-8 months, or even longer if we have a deluge of Pennsic submissions. It's an involved process, but it's so the heralds can take the time and do the work to make sure you get something that you like that follows the rules. A lot of dedicated and passionate people spend a great deal of their time helping with the submission process, from the volunteers at Heralds Point, to the specialists who help with more obscure cultures and languages.

Are you interested in seeing the process for yourself? The Midrealm commentary meeting is open to anyone who wants to attend! Reach out to our External Submissions Herald, Choi Min, at rougescarpe@midrealm.org for more information.

Voided, pierced, and transfixed,

Kallinikos Gaurus
Dragon Herald



Above: Kitty assures she has the proper sun protection. photo credit: Sarah Beldin
Right: Pixie Dust at Spring Crown Tournament. photo credit: Wendy Martin-Glick





Earl Marshal

Greetings to the Populace of the Mighty Midrealm!

I am Fergus MacPherson, the incoming Kingdom Earl Marshal. I am excited to have the opportunity to work with the amazing people who volunteer their time and efforts to make sure we can all play together safely. Let me tell you a little bit about myself.

I have been in the SCA since 1996, having found it a few years before that at a demo. My first Pennsic was Pennsic XXV and I can still remember the thrill of taking the field for the first time there. It was an amazing time filled with heat, yelling, and lots and lots of sweat. I wouldn't change a thing. Now, thirty years later, I continue to fight in rattan, rapier and cut and thrust. I've been known to shoot a little archery and throw a few weapons. My local Barony

is the host of one of the largest (if not THE largest) equestrian focused events in the Known World.

I look forward to working with the marshals, combatants and all those who participate in martial activities to make sure we can all continue to have fun and keep each other safe.

If you see me at an event, please feel free to come and talk with me. Whether you have questions, ideas, complaints or compliments, I want to hear from you. Some of the things we will be doing shortly after Pennsic include establishing experimental weapons and activities policies and updating portions of the martial activities handbooks to better align with Society guidelines. I look forward to hearing from all of you.

In Service,

Fergus MacPherson, OP
Kingdom Earl Marshal

Middle Kingdom Court Reports

Court Report for Royal Court of Their Majesties Louis and Sadb at Simple Day in their Barony of Sternfeld, on 04 July 2026 (AS 61).

HERALDS: Andreas Blacwode, Adrian Harper, Mary Elizabeth of Rivier Constelle, Lysander of Caer Gwyn

SIGNET: Meadhbh Ramsey

Order of Defence: Tannas Inmhe

Baronage of Illiton: Ariana Husher, Alured Husher

Court Barony: Bianca Rosamund, Nessa von Metten, Robert Thorne

Order of the Dragon's Heart: Roisin de Burgh

Order of the Evergreen: Vladimir Igorevich Zholtov

Order of the Bronze Ring: Radomyr Vovk

Award of the Willow: Castles MacFaolán

Award of the Cavendish Knot: Koray Aybekoglu, Oscar Von Lindau, Rastor von der Schwartzwald, Roberto Jose Alfonso Cayetano de San Fernando Toledo Ruiz y Escalante, Ulf Olfuss

Award of the Purple Fret: Aine a Burc, Alardin de Caux, Clovis of Sternfeld, Guinevere Verch Vichant, Michelangelo di Padua

Award of the Baton: Finn von Metten

Award of Arms: Castor Longshanks, Klára Gelücke, Lailoken la Tor, Meabh of the Roads, Mitri Esdeline de Vitre, Noctis Sere

Court Report for Royal Court of Their Majesties Louis and Sadb at Push For Pennsic in their Barony of Flaming Gryphon, on 11 July 2026 (AS 61).

HERALDS: Allegra Ginevra Soave da Napoli, Friedrich Wolf-eram von Danzig, Thora Brandsdottir

SIGNET: Brianne of Greenlea

Order of Chivalry (Knight): Atsur Heikan

Order of the Evergreen: Philippi of Flaming Gryphon

Order of the Red Company: Olvir Gunnarsson

Award of the Cavendish Knot: Michael Colquhoun

Award of the Purple Fret: Christopher of St. Joan, Elpis Zoilou, Eyvindr Gunnarson

Award of Arms: Attalos of Flaming Gryphon, Drea of Fenix, Emma of Dernehealde, Ethan Prime of Dernehealde, Freyja Sophia, Niámh Mac Gilla Eáin, Orion of Dernehealde

Calendar

M I D R E A L M E V E N T

SEPT.

WED. SEPT. 3-7

Mounted War Games

Barony of Shadowed Stars
1240 4-H Park Road
Bluffton, IN 46714

SAT. SEPT. 5

North Woods Community College

Barony of North Woods
5555 Edgar Rd.
Clarkston, MI 48346

FRI. SEPT. 11-13

Midlands County Faire

Shire of Swordcliff
1716 West Spesser St.
Taylorville IL 62568

Vikings Come Home

Barony of North Woods
11037 Thumb Lake Rd.
Boyne Falls, MI 49713

Harvest Days

Marche of Winged Hills
120 Fairground Rd.
Xenia, OH 45385

SAT. SEPT. 12

Pferdestadt Rapier Classic

Canton of Pferdestadt

5327 Harding Hwy E
Caledonia, OH 43314

SAT. SEPT. 19

Medieval Threads IV

Canton of Wealdlake
401 W Grand River Ave.
Howell MI 48843

Saxon Summer XXIII

Shire of Rivenvale
5800 Park Rd.
Leavittsburg, Ohio 44430

SAT. SEPT. 26

Fall Coronation

Barony of Illiton
1400 Primm Rd.
Lincoln, IL 62656

OCT.

FRI. OCT. 2-4

Rose Tournament at Feast of the Chase

Barony of Shattered Crystal
3463 Trout Camp Rd,
Waterloo, IL 62298

FRI. OCT. 3

Red Dragon

Marche of Tirnewydd
205 Elm Street
London, OH 43140

Hunt for the White Stag

Barony of Roaring Wastes
7930 Meisner Rd
Casco, MI 48064

FRI. OCT 9-11

Smiths, Bakers, Weavers, and Wrights

Riding of Hawkland Moor
4570 Huron River Parkway,
Milford, MI 48380

Rendezvous at the Bridge XXXVI

Shire of Riviere Constelle
3029 N Green River Rd,
Evansville, IN 47715

SAT. OCT 17

Crown Tournament

Barony of Cleftlands
940 Fair Rd
Norwalk, OH 44857

SAT. OCT 24

A Grand Day of Tournaments

Bzrony of Cynnabar
3775 S. Custer Road
Monroe, MI

SAT. OCT 31

Brendokenfest

Barony of Brendoken
9247 Arrow Rd NW
Minerva, OH 44657

Save the date!
**Mounted War Games XV:
 Tournament of Chivalry!**

Hosted by the Barony of Shadowed Stars

September 3rd 5pm-7th 12pm
 Wells County 4H Fairgrounds
 1240 4-H Park Rd, Bluffton, IN. 46714

Gate: Adult Weekend: \$45
 Adult Day Trip: \$25
 Children 6-17 Weekend: \$25
 Children 6-17 Day Trip: \$15
 Members get \$10 Discount!

More info to come at:
shadowedstars.midrealm.org
 Event Steward: THL Prudence of Colleah
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The Riding of Hawkland Moor Presents

North Woods Community College

Saturday, 5 September 2026

10:00 am - Dusk

House Applegarth

5555 Edgar Rd / Clarkston, MI 48346

Come to College and Take an EPIC Class!

Learn a new skill or hone a skill in a 10-hour class!

Registration: Adults \$20. \$10 for SCA members

Youth (0-17) free.

Dinner will be pizza - signup at Gate

Event Steward: Baroness Gwenllyen the Minstrel

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Directions: Take your best route to I-75 exit #93 (Dixie Hwy.); Head south on Dixie Hwy. for just over a mile.

Turn right onto Foster Rd (a dirt road) and go 1.3 miles;

Turn left onto Edgar Rd., 5555 Edgar Rd. is about a quarter of a mile down the road on the right.

<https://northwoods.midrealm.org/activities/canton-and-baronial-events/NWCC/>

Harvest Days

Hosted by the Marche of Winged Hills

Location & Date

Greene County Fairgrounds
 120 Fairground Road
 Xenia, Ohio 45385

Friday, September 11 @ 6:00 pm –
 Saturday, September 12, 2025 @ 8:00 pm

Registration

Adult Registration (18+): \$25
 Adult Member Discount Registration (18+): \$15
 Youth (0-17): Free

For More Info

www.flaminggryphon.parkers.dev/harvest-days/

Other questions? Please contact Event Steward
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THE SHIRE OF SWORDCLIFF PRESENTS

The Midlands County Faire

SEPTEMBER 11-13, 2026

Open 4pm Friday through noon Sunday

CHRISTIAN COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

1716 West Spresser St., Taylorville Illinois 62568

Adult registration **\$30**; **\$10** member discount Kids **\$10**;

Preregistration includes some meals.

For more details visit:
<https://swordcliff.midrealm.org>



EVENT STEWARD:
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 (Donna Weeks)
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Vikings Come Home

Barony of Donnershafen
Sept. 11-13, 2026

Lake Louise Christian Camp
11037 Thumb Lake Rd
Boyne Falls, MI 49713

Registration:

Adult Registration Fee: \$30

Adult Member: \$20

Children (6-15): \$5

Camping Fee: \$10 per tent

For inquiries, please contact the event steward:

Isabel Taylor (Marva Bower)
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<https://www.donnershafen.com/vikingscomehome>

Saxon Summer XXIII: Silk and Steel

The Shire of Rivenvale would like to cordially invite you to another wonderful fall event on the eastern border of the Kingdom, where steel rings in combat and silk reflects the far-reaching Silk Road.

Date: September 19-21, 2026

Time: 5:00 PM Friday – 12:00 PM Sunday

Site: 5800 Park Rd, Leavittsburg, Ohio 44430

Registration: Adult Weekend (Two Nights): \$30 / \$20 with membership

Adult One Night: \$25 / \$15 with membership

Adult Day Trip: \$20 / \$10 with membership

Minors: Free (must be accompanied by an adult)

Family Maximum: \$40

Merchants: Free with registration

Activities: Armored Combat, Target Archery, Thrown Weapons

Event Steward: Lord Galum Talagach mucoi Drusten (Robert St. John)

Email: galum@housearachnid.com

Website: rivenvale.org/activities/saxon-summer/



FALL CORONATION

SEPTEMBER 26, 2026

The Barony of Illiton invites you to
join us for the coronation of
Prince Radagaisus & Princess Ceinwen

Pre registration: \$20 | At the door: \$25 | \$10 Member discount
Preregistration is strongly encouraged. Lunch and feast will be available.

Event Stewards: Oda Umi (Laura Crowell) odaumi7@gmail.com
and Ookami Musashi (Ron Crowell) kurrookami@gmail.com

Website: <https://illiton.midrealm.org/2026-fall-coronation/>

Lincoln Park District, 1400 Primm Rd, Lincoln, IL 62656

Site opens at 9 am & closes at 9 pm.

Medieval Threads IV from the Canton of Wealdlake

September 19, 2026

Howell Masonic Lodge

401 W Grand River Ave, Howell, MI 48843

9:00 am until 6 pm

This event is all about medieval fiber arts. Featuring hands-on classes, demos, and displays, plus a materials and tools swap. Lunch tavern will be available, and the event concludes with a selection of sweet and savory bites, hot and cool drinks.

Adult Admission \$20

SCA Member Admission \$10

Youth (ages 12-17) Admission \$7

Event Steward: Áine inguen Ui Connail
(Anna O'Connell) Email AMOC@comcast.net
See our website for more details:
https://www.wealdlake.org/_Medieval_Threads/MedievalThreads.html

RED DRAGON 46

Date: October 3, 2026

Hours: 9:00 AM – 7:00 PM

Madison County Fairgrounds

205 Elm St, London, OH 43140



Tournaments for Heavy & Rapier,
Archery & Thrown Weapons Demos,
Lunch Option Available

ADMISSION

Regular	\$25 (Family Max \$60)
Member	\$15 (Family Max \$40)
Children 5-17	\$7

Autocrat: Jack Needles aka Maleachi Wulfheart
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ROSE TOURNAMENT:

Feast of the Chase IV

OCTOBER 2ND - 4TH, 2026

Gate opens at 5pm on October 2nd and the site closes at 12pm on October 4th.

PRE-REGISTRATION PRICES: Adult, Non-SCA Member **\$30** | Adult, SCA Member **\$20** • Minors (0-17) **\$0**
Breakfast: **\$5** | Lunch: **\$7** | Feast: **\$15** | Camping: **FREE** | Horse Trailers & RVs: **\$20 per vehicle**

PLEASE NOTE - ALL MEALS ARE AVAILABLE VIA PRE-REGISTRATION ONLY

Members of the Order of the Rose Tournament: Rose and sitting Royal Consorts are invited to bring a team of Champions to the Barony of Shattered Crystal to celebrate Pageantry, Grace, and Courtesy. There will be armored tournaments, rapier tournaments, archery contests, equestrian games, and performances. Plan for the memories of a lifetime! The event will be held at a spacious campground with a feast hall for indoor activities, and a beautiful setting for medieval ambiance.

In addition to the Rose Tournament there will be
additional tournaments for Armoured, Rapier/C&T, Archery,
Equestrian, and Bardic that will be open to all.

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Philippe de Lyon

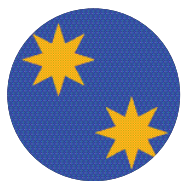
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Middle Kingdom Directory - Seneschals

Need to find your local group? Try the Group Finder on the Kingdom website: <https://midrealm.org/midrealm-group-map/>



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TENTATIVE SCHEDULE:
a. October 17, 2026 – Hybrid – Location TBA

MID-QUARTER CONFERENCE CALL – TBD
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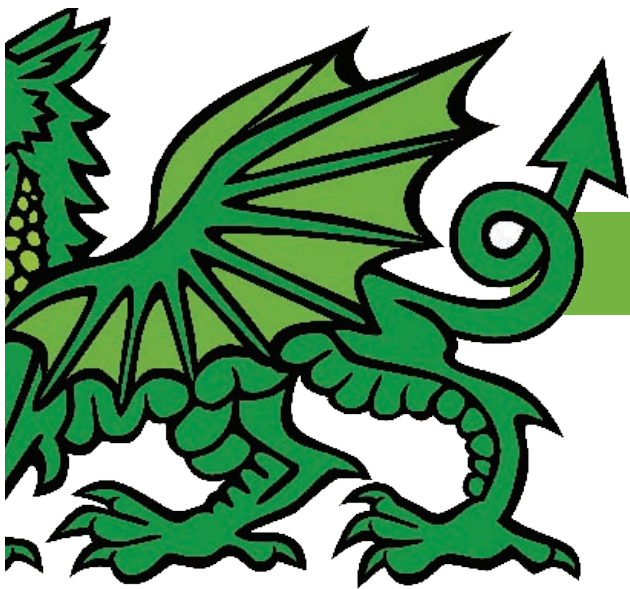
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The Tail End

Dango always gets the final word on scribal activities.

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Editor's Note: I received an overwhelming number of responses to my request for pictures of the kingdom's pets. There were so many submissions I needed to dedicate an entire issue of Beyond the Pale to include them all. I tried to include one picture of each pet. This was so much fun, I will probably do it again in the future.

