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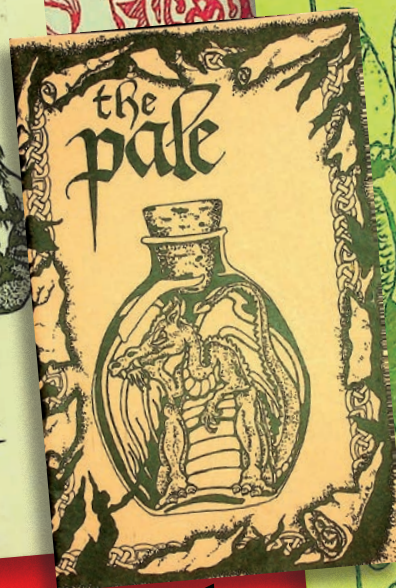
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Pennsic Past

Midrealmsers have been excited for Pennsic War for decades. Please enjoy this small selection of original art from the newsletter archives. Learn more about our wKingdom Historian on page 16.

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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.

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From Their Royal Majesties

Unto the beloved populace of the Middle Kingdom,
do We, Louis and Sadb, send Our most heartfelt
greetings. Midrealm!

As the banners rise and the drums of war echo across the hills, We rejoice to see friends old and new returning to this great meeting of Kingdoms. The fields of Coopers Lake are more than a field of battle; they are a place where memories are forged as surely as steel, where laughter fills the night air, and where the bonds of fellowship grow stronger with each passing day. Our time here forms a tapestry woven of countless memories - of friendships rekindled, of songs shared by firelight, and of deeds upon the field that shall be spoken of for many years hence.

We call now upon the strength and heart of the Midrealm to join Us in the grand tapestry of the Pennsic War.

To Our noble Knights and Masters of Defence, Our stalwart Hunters of the Mark, and the dedicated collective of dependents and warriors-at-arms who stand beside them: the field

awaits your valor! We look forward with pride to seeing your banners unfurled and witnessing the courage that has always been the hallmark of our Dragon Army.

To Our esteemed Laurels, the teachers who share their wisdom, and the tireless volunteers whose service is the very foundation of Our encampments: your aid is the light that guides Our Kingdom. Whether you are breathing life into our history through artistry, tending to the needs of the populace, or sharing a song by the firelight, you enrich this gathering by the blessing of your presence.

We are deeply excited for Our people and for the triumphs that await the Middle Kingdom. Let us go forth with courage and mirth, carrying the spirit of the Midrealm into every hall and every battle. We look forward to seeing each of you very soon under the summer sun.

The Dragon rises!

In service to the Dream and to you,

Louis & Sadb

Rex & Regina of the Midrealm

Mistress Bianca receiving her Court Barony at A Simple Day in the Country. It was also her birthday!

photo credit: Roisin de Burgh (Melissa Burke)



Middle Kingdom Royalty et Great Officers of State



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From Their Royal Highnesses

BLAST THE HORNS AND HOIST THE BANNERS.:

Let the Children of the Dragon ready their arms – be they blades, missiles, or tools – rally, oh Midrealm Host, for Their Majesties call us to War! The days of preparation draw to a close and the time for performance (in whatever arena you may) is upon you!

The Great Pennsic War has come again, and We look forward to engaging with Our Eternal Friends and Annual Enemies in skill and revelry. From rattan rapier battles to butt bale targets, and further still to creativity and craftsmanship in studio or on stage; all may do their part to support the war effort.

We feel the magic of the War, pulling ever stronger as every new day passes.

Throughout the year, We longed for the sights and sounds, and now they come: the people, the wares, and the drums (oh, so many drums)!

Join Us: Fight with Us, Shoot with Us, Hurl with Us, Dance with Us, Sing with Us,

Create with Us, Volunteer with Us, and Celebrate with Us!

For the Midrealm!

Radagaisus et Ceinwen

Tanist and Tanista of the Middle Kingdom



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Proposed Kingdom Law Changes

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

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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.

Kingdom Law Changes

AS PUBLISHED FOR COMMENTARY IN THE APRIL PALE.
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Change to 1-II-400

The Earl Marshal of the Middle Kingdom (Kingdom Earl Marshal) shall make every effort to promote the safe and orderly conduct of, and participation in, official martial activities of the Middle Kingdom in accordance with the Rules of the Lists and the conventions of the Middle Kingdom.

Change to 1-II-401

The Kingdom Earl Marshal shall be responsible for the proper handling and retention of all marshal-related waivers after they are fully and properly executed. The Kingdom Earl Marshal shall allow no person to participate in any martial activity, either single or as part of a team, unless they have properly and fully executed a waiver.

Change to 1-II-402

The Kingdom Earl Marshal shall be responsible for the proper training and conduct of all participants in martial activities of the Middle Kingdom and shall develop and oversee a positive program for the attainment of this end.

Change to 1-II-404

The Kingdom Earl Marshal shall be responsible for the marshaling and administration of the Crown Tournaments of the Middle Kingdom.

NEW law 1-II-406 (To comply with Society Mandates) 1-II-406

The Kingdom Earl marshal shall be responsible for all authorizations and warrants for all marshal related activities. This shall include an annual audit of the authorization database at Domesday.

Change to 1-III-700

The Kingdom Earl Marshal shall have deputies, referred to as Deputy Kingdom Earl Marshal (DKEM) administering the following areas: Clerk of the Roster, Armored Combat, Combat Archery, Equestrian, Hound Coursing, Rapier, Siege Combat, Target Archery, Thrown Weapons, Youth Armored, Youth Rapier, and Crown List table. Special deputies and emergency deputies may be warranted by the Kingdom Earl Marshal as needed.

Change to 1-III-701

Each Deputy Kingdom Earl Marshal (DKEM) shall be responsible for promoting the safe and orderly conduct of their respective martial activity in the Middle Kingdom, including the training and warranting of marshals in that activity, overseeing the administration of quarterly reporting for that activity, and maintaining the roster of participants and marshals for that activity.



Exchequer

Unto the Populace of the Mighty Midrealm, greetings.

Even in war, paperwork endures!

At the time you are reading this, we are approaching the deadline for Q2 (June) reports.

Thank you to those diligent exchequers who have turned in their reports! However, there are many groups who have not turned in reports – some have not turned in a report at all this year. Be aware that failing to turn in reports has dire consequences, up to and including sanctions for groups who do not report. We know that things have been particularly hard this year, but if for any reason you have not been able to complete your reports, PLEASE contact your Regional Exchequer and/or me to discuss why. Doing so now will let us make sure issues are resolved by the time Domesday comes around.

If you will be attending Pennsic, there will be an Exchequer Gathering at MidRoyal from noon-1:30 on the middle Sunday (August 2) – please join me for a libation and to meet your fellow exchequers. I'll also 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.

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.

Thank your local exchequer and your gate staffs for their service, and maybe, just maybe, ask them if you can help out. It's fun!

In service,

EM Dai Gendur

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

Friends, Midrealms, co-conspirators - lend me your attention!

At Pennsic we are hosting the annual Newcomers' Party in Midrealm Royal on Monday, August 3, from 7-9 p.m. If you know any people new to the SCA, please invite them to come on down! We are also in need of "experts" for various topics so that new people from around the world can learn how to get into what they're into. For example, we need a costumer, cook, equestrian, and others who can speak to all the amazing fields we study! We would also like to get at least one Laurel, Knight, Mark, Master of Defense, and Royal Peer to represent - bonus points if you cover multiple areas.

We also need prizes for the games, if anyone has something they can donate - think a nice,

handmade mug. If you can help in any way, there will be nibbles and drinks and our undying gratitude!!

I'm also asking again that if you are a chatelaine who has not submitted a report in 2026, please contact me. I need to get you all warranted so you're covered to carry on with the good things you do. While chatelaines are only required at the Baronial level, any chatelaines in office at any level do need to be warranted. Seneschals - do you know where your chatelaine is? Check in on them today!

The email is easy: chatelaine@midrealm.org. Thank you all!

Take care of yourselves and each other,

Claricia de la Mere

Chatelaine of the Middle Kingdom



Minister of Arts and Sciences

This month, the KMoAS message is brought to you by our Pennsic A&S General.

This year marks the 11th match of the Pennsic Arts & Sciences Champions Competition. Since its introduction in 2014, it has evolved from a small, anonymous display judged by populace voting to the rubric-based challenge we see today, showcasing a curated field of 16 exceptional entrants. Over the years, the number of points has fluctuated, growing from a single war point in its earliest form to the four points available this year. Through all of it, Pennsic has provided an opportunity to experience some of the most impressive work in the Known World.

This year, Their Royal Majesties of the Middle and the East have introduced an additional point - The Patronage Point - to complement

the Laurel, Non-Laurel, and overall team points. This new point will be awarded based on visitor engagement, going to the Kingdom with the most participation from attendees outside the competition. Visitors are encouraged to stop by the Patronage Point table to register their attendance and specify which Kingdom they are there to support.

The Middle Kingdom will be represented by 16 exceptional artisans from across the Midrealm and its allies, each having worked hard to earn war points through their skill and scholarship. The fourth point, however, depends on the support of the Kingdom and our Allies. Come see their displays on Monday, August 4, from 10am - 3pm and support your A&S Champions and help them win that extra point!

Dame Roana Aldinoch
Pennsic Arts & Sciences General



Dragon Herald

OYEZ!

On August 22, 2026, The Middle Kingdom will be hosting a Known World Heraldic & Scribal Symposium. This is an amazing event that has not graced our fair land for many, many years. The whole kingdom is invited, we will be having some of the best teachers from throughout the Society attending. There will be an in-person portion in

the Barony of Shattered Crystal, and an online portion in the Ethereal Realm, so that everyone has an opportunity to attend and learn. See the ad in this issue for more details!

Tergiant,

Kallinikos Gaurus
Dragon Herald

Middle Kingdom Court Reports

Court Report for Royal Court of Their Majesties Louis and Sadb at Northern Oaken War Maneuvers XXVIII in their Barony of the Cleftlands, on 13 June 2026 (AS 61).

HERALDS: Katherine Coscombe, Michael Corleone, Andrew Johnson, Nagasani Palanikar, Argyle of the Wayward, Milisent Vibert, Ezra de Barcelona

SIGNET: Chrysanthème des Prés

Order of the Dragon's Heart: Deirdre MakKyneth

Order of the Greenwood Company: Gogan ap Gryffry, Erich Jäger

Order of the Evergreen: Fearghas Buchannon

Award of the Silver Oak: Györgi Baltasar

Award of the Purple Fret: Ulfr Hrolfsson, Peregrine Ferrex de Tour

Order of the Dragon's Barb: Agnes Faber

Award of Arms: Kiran of Dernehealde, Kitty of Dernehealde, Margareta Davidová known as Greta of Vito's Minions, Rowan van Kuykendal, Helena of Cleftlands, Glædwine of Gwyntarian, Stephen of Gwyntarian, Heimeric Blutbad

Award of the Sapphire: Elizabethe Alles

Award of the Grove: Musica Nebulae

Award of the Baton: Ingrid of Dernehealde

Award of Paws: Reaper of Dernehealde

Court Report for Royal Court of Their Majesties Louis and Sadb at Baronial Border Wars in their Barony of Andelcrag, on 20 June 2026 (AS 61).

HERALDS: Edward the Stranger, Keaton Caitdroven, Tommaso Franceschi

SIGNET: Baroness Alianor "Aliyah" bat Asriel

Order of the Dragon's Heart: Roderick McKraken

Order of the Gold Mace: Padraig McLoughlin

Award of the Silver Oak: Erevon Fitzgerald

Award of the Purple Fret: Amy Lytwood

Order of the Dragon's Barb: Katerina di Davide, Owen MacDonald

Order of the Cavendish Knot: Aoife Daragh

Award of Arms: Astrid of Three Hills, Thorkin Odinkin, Katerina di Davide, Ymir Faol, Ulfric of Three Hills, Malthadas Dark

Award of the Grove: Roaring Wastrels

Court Report for Royal Court of Their Majesties Louis and Sadb at Black Swamp War Games in their Barony of Red Spears, on 27 June 2026 (AS 61).

HERALDS: Katherine Coscombe, Magrat Catte, Ezra de Barcelona, SaehildR barngdR

SIGNET: Chrysanthème des Prés

Order of the Dragon's Heart: Aldred æt Aclum

Award of the Willow: Genovefa Gueinnere, Renaude De Lunay

Award of the Purple Fret: William of Red Spears, Titus Cornelius Oceanus, Logan MacArtuir

Order of the Cavendish Knot: Marcus Amboss, Woad Indigo Lapis Azure, Jean Bontemps

Award of Arms: Eufemia of Red Spears, Kyle the Cupless, Andarilho Mundail, Nuala de Faie, Briant du Ranc, Viviana Cardella



Earl Marshal

Midrealm!

I hope this letter finds all of you well and finding ways to stay cool in the summer's heat.

Right now, many of you are preparing to travel to the Pennsic War. May your travels be safe, your swords and spears be sharp, and your shields magically indestructible!

Here at home, my team and I have spent the last several months conducting our search for the next Midrealm Kingdom Earl Marshal. As many of you know, we were able to announce in June that my successor has been selected – Master Fergus MacPherson.

Since then, he has been receiving training from myself and the other senior marshals, subject

matter experts, and former kingdom earls marshal that make up the bank of knowledge and experience this kingdom's martial community has built over many years. I am confident in Fergus' abilities, experience, and most importantly his willingness to listen, learn, and be a leader.

Fergus' training will continue through Pennsic War, and there will be a planned transition for him to start his full-term as KEM in the fall; specific event to be determined. In the meantime, please join me in wishing him all the best!

In Service,

Sir Marcus Pinaris Draconarius
Kingdom Earl Marshal

Target Archery Marshal

Greetings, Midrealm!

Very shortly, Pennsic War 53 will be underway. I encourage anyone who has shot archery or is interested in shooting archery to come join us on the target archery range. We are on the bus route and have a stop near the entrance to the range. Because of the large number of people involved, we are not able to provide loaner gear. Ask around your groups and it is likely you find someone who can help, or there are several merchants you can fully equip you.

Archery starts Peace Wednesday with practices, classes, and tournaments. On the middle Saturday there is a grand tournament called Ullr's Games, and Sunday starts war point shooting, where you can score points for your alliance to win the Populace Target Archery War Points. And during the week there will also be more practices, classes, and tournaments.

Target Archery Marshals, I need your help. Pennsic Archery is a purely volunteer endeavor. We need marshals to perform inspections, marshal the lines, and keep score. During peak times of War Week, we need 12 marshals to safely run all of

the ranges and inspection point. Please, I ask you to volunteer for two 2 hour shifts. I will be happy with more, but all I ask for is 4 hours during the two weeks of Pennsic.

Target Archery MiTs, this is your opportunity to inspect more types of bows than you've ever imagined, and get solid experience running a line. And you will get signatures. For everyone, we can especially use your help during setup and teardown. You don't have to be a marshal, or even an archer, to help. Setup will take place Monday, July 27 at 9:30 am. Teardown will take place Friday, August 7 at 1:00 pm.

I look forward to seeing everyone shooting and helping. Have a great Pennsic!

Chasseur Diccon de Reinport, OPCM
DEM for Target Archery, Middle Kingdom



Calendar

AUG.

SAT. AUGUST 22**Known World Heraldic and Scribal Symposium**

Barony of Shattered Crystal
307 W Clay St, Collinsville, IL
62234

Melee of the Knave VIII

Marche of Alderford
First Christian Church 6852
Market Ave. N, Canton, OH
44721

FRI. AUGUST 26-28**Reign of Arrows**

Riding of Hawkland Moor
8486 Calkins Rd Flint MI
48532-5521

SAT. AUGUST 29**Midlands Academy of Defense**

Shire of Caer Gwyn
1 Heritage Dr, Rantoul, IL
61866

SEPT.

WED. SEPT. 3- SUN. 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

Known World Armored Combat Collegium

Kingdom of Northshield
400 Mandt Pkwy Stoughton,
WI

FRI. SEPT. 11-SUN. 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

Pale Deadlines

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and articles to
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Sept. Pale: Due by Sat July 25
Oct. Pale: Due by August 25
Nov. Pale: Due by Sept 25



August 22-23, 2026 9-5 Sat & 9-noon Sun
Sponsored by the Barony of Shattered Crystal
St. John's UCC Church, 307 W. Clay St, Collinsville IL 62234

Come take classes from some of the best heralds and scribes throughout the known world! And join us in the gym for armored combat, fencing, and a high-protocol passage of arms.
Can't attend in person? Join us online for hybrid and virtual classes!

Registration: \$15 for members, \$25 for non members. Children enter free.
Lunch: \$8.00; gluten free & vegan options available upon prior request.

Event Steward: Kallinikos Gavras (herald@midreal.org)
Lunch Steward: Lady Margaret MacLeod (smoidel@gmail.com)
<https://shatteredcrystal.midrealm.org/midwest-heraldic-scribal-symposium/>



**Reign of Arrows X
Hits the Gold!**
Saturday August 29, 2026



Sponsored by the Riding of Hawkland Moor

Site opens 7pm Friday, closes 11am Sunday for campers

Join us for a day and evening of medieval style archery, thrown weapons, and much more! Walk through course, 100yd Clout, torchlight tourney, bardic around the fire!

This year we will be hosting the acclaimed Midrealm Schutzenfest!

The winners in Crossbow, Period and Open Handbow will be crowned Schutzenkonig for the coming year!

Site is pet friendly, wet site, Primitive camping available Friday and Saturday night for no additional charge

8486 Calkins Rd, Flint Michigan 48532

Registration:
Adults \$20, Member discount \$10, Children under 17 free!

Event Steward:
Bree MacAuley (Laura Hart) - bree.laura.hart@gmail.com
Marshal in Charge:
Gerard von Lowenstein (Lee Hillier)-gerard2525@yahoo.com

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
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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

hollyharpist@yahoo.com / 586-604-0873

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/>

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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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
Anneke vamme Holte (mka Rebecca Basner) at
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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>

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

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

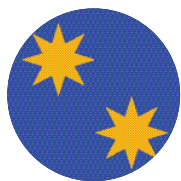
Lincoln Park District, 1400 Primm Rd, Lincoln, IL 62656

Site opens at 9 am & closes at 9 pm.



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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

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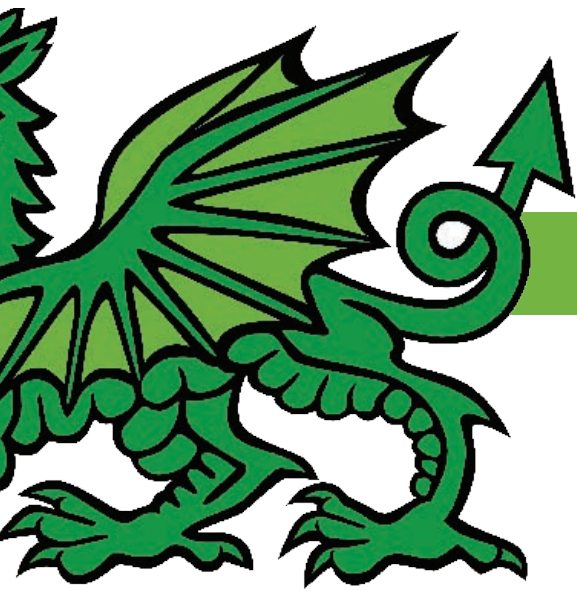
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The Tail End

When you are in the Barony of Cleftlands you are surrounded by stories of valor, humor, and tragedy. All you have to do is listen. So, I found myself listening more and more, and by 2016 I was delving into baronial history after hearing Duke Laurelen and others speak of the importance of our foundations for years. In 2019 at MidRealm 50 I began to acquire a more

Kingdom-level view of events that have shaped us as a group over time. When it came time for my predecessor, Mistress Marissa von Atzinger, to emigrate from these lands in 2023 I jumped at the chance to fully enmesh myself in learning our complete history and teaching it to others. The stories and context of the events of our past require an attentive ear and I am trying multiple avenues to educate those who have not yet heard many of these tales. The history of the SCA and Middle Kingdom contains tales of heroes and madmen, and all those who find their alignment somewhere between those two extremes. There is meaning in the deeds we do here, and those deeds will echo down the corridors of time as long as we remember.

Forester Cadfan of the Autumn Wood

Middle Kingdom Historian

