

The News

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE
KINGDOM OF CALONTIR



KINGDOM CALENDAR & ROYAL PROGRESS



1 April 2025—June event flyer deadline

12 April 2025—**Spring Crown Tournament**



19-20 April 2025—**Unslung Heroes**

26 April 2025—**Queen's Prize Tourney**



1 May 2025—July event flyer deadline

9-11 May 2025—**St. George & Dragon**

16-18 May 2025—**Pirates, Bards and Thieves**

23-26 May 2025—**Valor XLIV**

1 June 2025— August event flyer deadline

6-16 June 2025—**Lilies War**



1 July 2025— September event flyer deadline

12 July 2025—**Summer Coronation**



25 July 2025—Start of Pennsic 52

26 July 2025—Feast of Eagles

1 August 2025— October event flyer deadline

29 Aug-1 Sept 2025—Raid or Trade

1 September 2025—November event flyer deadline

5-7 September 2025—King's Companie of Archers

12-14 September 2025—Vertigo

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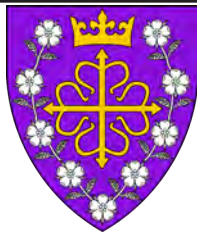
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Greetings from the Falcon Throne

Gulf Wars was an incredible experience, and we were honored to march with the army and witness the strength and spirit of Calontir.

Watching our populace flourish on the fields and throughout the war was truly inspiring. As we look ahead, we eagerly await meeting our heirs at the Spring Crown Tournament and seeing the skill and camaraderie at Unsung Heroes. Whether shooting arrows or sharing stories, we look forward to these moments with all of you.

In service,

*Orren Tokesson, Konung
Lyra of Spinning Winds, Drottning*

Calontir!

It's time to start thinking about Youth Activities at Lilies!

Background checks take time. In order to make sure you have a passed background check, if you want to help with youth activities at Lilies, now is the time to submit that request.

The process changed some time ago but I still get questions so here is the current process for getting a background check.

Send an email to the Calontir Seneschal. This message must include:

1. your modern name
2. your membership number (you must have a valid membership in order to get a background check)
3. an email address where you want to use (double check this for typos)

The above is submitted to a company that performs the background checks for the SCA. The company will send you a link where you will submit any other information they require. The information you provide for an SCA background check is no longer sitting in files anywhere else, which is a good thing, data security-wise.

The link is good for about 2 weeks, keep an eye out for the link and if you are waiting for one check your spam folder. If you haven't received the link within three weeks of requesting a background check, reach out to the seneschal to follow up.

The seneschal reports are not always updated immediately, so if you wait to request your background

check until too close to Lilies the results may not be reported in time for you to help with youth activities at Lilies.

The SCA can't rely on the background check you have for any other organization. I understand that other organizations have more strict requirements based on their needs, we still can't rely on those and must perform our own checks.

Thank you!

*Giulia
Seneschal, Calontir*

Greetings Calontir!

Last time, we talked about the consultation process and I know that you're all dying to know what happens now that the forms have been submitted... So what happens next, Dyrfinna?

Once the completed forms and payment are received by the Eyas Herald (Calontir Internal Submissions), they begin a 6-8 month approvals process. Each item is first added to a consolidated submission called the Internal Letter of Intent (ILOI) on the Online System for Commentary and Response (OSCAR). Calontir publishes these letters once a month, and remain "open" to receive commentary from Calontir heralds for one month.

That feedback could be anything from a potential "Conflict" (or a design that duplicates or is too close to someone else's already registered heraldry) to additional documentation sources. And sometimes we just want to comment on how much we enjoy a specific name or device submitted.

The Calontir College of Heraldry meets once a month, on the fourth Monday, to discuss the results of that month's letter. The meetings are open to anyone who has an interest in heraldry; if you'd like to attend just reach out to your nearest herald. Each submission is reviewed to ensure that it meets the Standards for Evaluating Names and Armory (called SENA, like Xena with an 's') and that there are no obvious conflicts with currently registered names and arms.

Once an item has been "approved to send up" by the College, the Saker Herald (Calontir External Submissions) moves it to an External Letter of Intent (ELOI) that is available for commentary by all heralds in the SCA. The ELOI is open for three months, which allows for heralds from outside Calontir to repeat the same proofing steps performed on the Internal letter,

but with an additional month of listed items to check against. Think of it like a very thorough copyright review.

After that step is complete, the higher ups of the College of Arms meet to make decisions on items that may have been borderline, review rule changes, verify that all items have been documented to our period and paid for. They compile the results from all kingdoms, and create what is called the Letter of Acceptances and Returns (LoAR) that is published monthly. Accepted items on a LoAR are then loaded into the SCA's Online Armorial, and you're free to roam about the cabin...er, look for your next set of arms to register...

Items that are returned for issues are allowed to request an appeal of that decision or can be corrected and resubmitted through the process at no additional cost to the submitter.

And that's the submissions process in a nutshell. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to reach out to me at goldfalcon@calontir.org

Upcoming Heraldic News of Note:

Have you ever wanted to try your hand at Tournament heraldry? Join us for a day of training at the Tournament of Valor in Vatavia! We'll show you the ropes, and everyone will get a chance to try it out to see what it's like to be a Shouty Herald.

Our Goodhand (Silent/Sign) Herald's tenure is nearly up, and we're looking for someone to step up and fill their talented shoes. Knowledge of American Sign Language (ASL) is a plus, but we can definitely work with the right candidate! Interested parties should send an email to goldfalcon@calontir.org.

In Service,

Dyrfinna Tonnudottir
Gold Falcon Herald

Unto the populace of Calontir, greetings!

When I took over the position of Kingdom Chronicler from HL Anne, she stayed on as Emergency "drop dead" Chronicler. Now that I have a few issues under my belt, so to speak, it is time for me to search out a deputy Chronicler. Someone who can fill in for me should the need arise.

If anyone has an interest in publishing, maybe an artist or photographer that would like to help out on occasion with the release of The Mews, please let me know.

I wanted to point out a few things I did with this issue. One was to change up the calendar on Page 2. Instead of a table, it's a simple listing of dates. It allows for more entries. Also, I've bolded the events that are included in this issue. Since I am limited to sixteen pages, with several pages having required information, it gives me seven to eight pages for flyers. I have to place the flyers for which the issue is printed (in this case, April) and for the next two months. More events are coming around, so I get as many as I can. I may need to crunch down as few flyers to allow for more flyers. But that is for another month.

If anyone has questions about flyers, photos, or articles, let me know.

Randal Logan of Knightsbridge
Chronicler, Kingdom of Calontir

Greetings from RUSH!

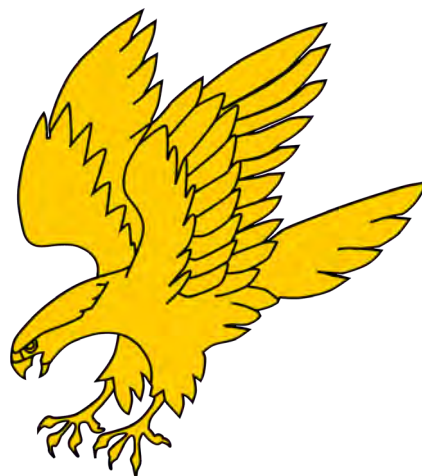
RUSH is the Royal University of Scir Hafoc. We are dedicated to promoting education not only of medieval history, but also of Calontir culture, as well as inclusion and accessibility.

All classes in the SCA are eligible for RUSH credit. That includes in-person events, online sessions, and local group Arts & Science classes. Class attendance can be submitted using the pdf or Google form on the RUSH page of the Kingdom Website.

<https://www.calontir.org/rush/>

If you have questions about RUSH or suggestions for programs please feel free to contact any of the RUSH Officers or Regents. We want to hear from you!

Mu'allimah Vash al-A'shariysh
RUSH Chancellor



CALONTIR CROWN TOURNAMENT

April 12, 2025

***Join with Their Majesties Calontir and the Barony of the Lonely Tower
in celebration of Their Crown Tournament***

The Relevant Center

21220 Elkhorn Dr

Elkhorn, NE 68022

Site Opens 9 am. Site Closes 7 pm.

SITE IS BONE DRY

Adult Event Registration: \$30

Adult Member Registration: \$20

Youth (16-5) \$10

Children under 5: FREE

Make checks payable to: SCA Inc. Barony of The Lonely Tower

Pre-Registration Link — Will be provided once provided

Event Stewards

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Ann Wingert

402-660-8931

NO CALLS AFTER 8pm

ann.wingert@gmail.com

Tanneke Groenlaken

Cara Knutson

cknutson1975@yahoo.com

Website TBA

Unslung Heroes

Site opens April 19, 2025, at 8 am
Site closes April 20, 2025, at 12 pm

Location

Lothar der Rot's
30615 NE 158th St
Excelsior Springs, MO 64024

Event Stewards

Lordship Ronan Mackay
Steve Hearin
ronan.mackay@yahoo.com
509-961-6120

Registration

Adult Fee - (18 and older) \$25
Adult Membership Discount - \$15
Youth (17 - 13) - \$5
Youth (12 and under) - Free

Her Ladyship Brangwyn Steward
Allyson Silkwood
branwen.stewart@gmail.com
816-793-0768

Checks accepted at Gate- please
make payable to the Canton of Aston
Tor

Activities Include

Archery, Cut & Thrust and Armored Combat, Baronial
Archery Championship

A&S Competition

Camping





Queen's Prize

Join the
Shire of Spinning Winds



April 26th, 2025

At Pottorf Hall
1710 Avery Ave, Manhattan, KS 66503
Site opens at 8am, closes at 7pm

Registration

\$25 Adult

\$15 Adult Member Discount

\$5 Youth 13-17

Children 12 and under Free

Make checks payable to Shire of Spinning Winds

DRY SITE*

Activities will include:

A&S Competition
Fighting
Thrown Weapons Competition
Children's Scavenger Hunt

An Inn will be provided for lunch:
\$8 / person: Reichart's Famous Chili
(w/toppings, cornbread, & Fritos as desired)
Gluten Free and Vegetarian options
available!

Kontakt: Reichart Scherer von Erlenbach
with menu questions.
der.aktual.reichart@gmail.com

For more information:

<https://sites.google.com/calontir.org/spinningwinds/queens-prize-2025>

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1151295163066973>

Event Steward: Lady Síle inghean Chairbre (Sabrina Scheerer)
Email sileingheanchairbre@gmail.com | Phone 785-304-3742

*brewing/alcohol entries will be judged at an alternate, off-site location nearby

THE SHIRE OF OAKHEART
IS PROUD TO PRESENT
**SAINT GEORGE AND
THE DRAGON EVENT**
Saturday, May 10th, 2025



American Legion Post 639

2660 S. Scenic Avenue
Springfield, MO 65807

Site Opens 5pm, Friday May 9th.
Closes Noon, Sunday May 11th.

Adult Event Registration: \$35

Adult Member Discount

Registration: \$25

Youth 17 & Under: FREE

Registration at gate with cash or checks
payable to **SCA Inc., Shire of OakHeart**

Donation Inn for afternoon lunch

There is ample camping space.

Site is Cash Bar ONLY.

Please leave your alcohol at home
(water/soft drinks are OK).

Planned Activities Include

- Heavy Combat, Cut and Thrust
- Archery, Thrown Weapons,
- Youth Activities, Equestrian, and
- Arts & Sciences

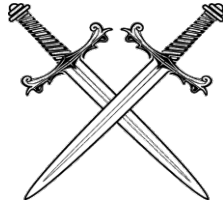
Event Steward

Carmina Helmschmidt
mka Courtney Pinkham-Martin
417.766.6572

(No calls before 9 AM or after 9 PM please)

Angelmonkey5@yahoo.com

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.



Pirates, Bards, and Thieves, OH MY!

(A silly event hosted by the Shire of Deodar)

At Middle Amana, Iowa

3850 C Street

Amana, Iowa 52203

May 16-18, 2025

Site Opens: 5:00pm

Site Closes: 12:00pm

Come join the Shire of Deodar for a most silly event! Let us enjoy the beginning of summer with laughter filling the air! Earn your tokens by participating in archery, armed combat, arts and sciences, youth activities and much more!

Enjoy an event that brings history and silliness together. Think Pirates, A Knight's Tale, and Monty Python all came together to create an SCA event. We will be looking at the anachronistic side of the SCA.

Site Restrictions: No Smoking, No weapons, No ground fires

Event Registration Information:

Adult Registration: \$35.00

Adult Member Discount Registration: \$25.00

Youth Registration Under 17: Free

Feast: \$10.00

Youth Feast ages 6-17: \$8.00

Event Steward :

HE Marjory de Warenne, OP (Jory)

Mka: Lisa Hansen

hansandjory@outlook.com

318-206-8853 (no calls past 9pm please)

THE BARONY OF VATAVIA PRESENTS
THE TOURNAMENT OF VALOR XLIV
THE BATTLE OF KALKA RIVER

MAY 23, 2025 5:00 PM TO MAY 26, 2025 12:00 PM
 EL DORADO STATE PARK - BOX TURTLE POINT CAMPGROUND
 4600 BLUESTEM POINT RD, EL DORADO, KS 67042

REGISTRATION DETAILS:

- ADULT EVENT REGISTRATION.....**\$35.00**
- ADULT MEMBER DISCOUNT EVENT REGISTRATION.....**\$25.00**
- YOUTH AGED 17 AND UNDER..... **FREE**
- **THERE IS NO FAMILY CAP.**
- MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:
 - **SCA INC. - BARONY OF VATAVIA**
- PRE-REGISTRATION: TBD

SITE DETAILS:

- LAKE SIDE CAMPING WITH TONS OF SPACE AND BEAUTIFUL VIEWS! WET SITE.
- SHOWER HOUSE WITH FLUSHABLE TOILETS.
- MAP WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE.
- **PARKING PERMITS ARE REQUIRED BY THE PARK AND MUST BE PAID SEPARATELY DIRECTLY TO THE PARK.**

[SEE PARKINGS RATES HERE](#)

[KANSAS STATE PARK ENTRANCE AND CAMPING FEES / STATE PARKS / KDWP - KDWP](#)

SCHEDULE

SEE WEBSITE FOR MORE DETAILED SCHEDULE.

FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
5:00PM SITE OPENS EVENING TBD	<p>ARMORED COMBAT INSPECTIONS/AUTHORIZATIONS MELEES TORCHLIGHT NOVICE TOURNEY</p> <p>C&T COMBAT INSPECTIONS/AUTHORIZATION VALOR TOURNEY</p> <p>ARCHERY PRACTICE SHOOT TBD</p>	<p>ARMORED COMBAT INSPECTIONS/AUTHORIZATION VALOR TOURNEY GUARDIAN TOURNEY</p> <p>C&T COMBAT INSPECTIONS/AUTHORIZATION TBD</p> <p>ARCHERY VALOR SHOOT</p>	12:00PM - SITE CLOSES

MORE DETAILS AND UPDATES FOUND ON THE WEBSITE

[HTTPS://VATAVIA.CALONTIR.ORG/VALOR/](https://vatavia.calontir.org/valor/)

EVENT STEWARDS:

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The Kingdom of Calontir Presents

LILIES WAR 2025

Drums of War

June 6th - 15th, 2024

Kelsey Short Youth Camp
17980 Collins Rd.
Smithville, MO 64809

Website: <http://lilieswar.org>

Event Stewards:

THL Ottar Surtson, Andrew
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THL Skallagrímur Bárðarson,
Robert Welch - (816)372-3238

Stewards@lilieswar.org

**Hear the drums of war as they
call you to your favorite
activities**

- Armored Combat
- Steele Combat
- Archery
- A&S Classes
- The Fyrdraca
- Parties
- Shopping
- Youth Activities
- Tournaments
- The BBQ Competition
- Fireworks
- The A&S RoadShow

Gate Fees

Adult All Week - \$85

Member Discount - \$75

Adult Day Pass - \$45

Member Discount Day Pass -
\$35

Minor (17-6) All Week - \$55

Minor (17-6) Day Pass - \$20

Minors (5 and under) - Free

There is a \$280 (2 adults and 2
minors) family cap for all week
attendance. There is no family
cap on day passes.

30 x30 Merchant Space - \$25

Site opens at 2pm on Friday
June 6th and closes at Noon on
Sunday June 15th



Coronation of the Kingdom of Calontir

JULY 12, 2025

BARONY OF COEUR D'ENNUI

Franklin Jr. High School (Franklin Center)
4801 Franklin Avenue
Des Moines, IA 50310

EVENT REGISTRATION

Adult - \$35.00

Adult Member Discount - \$25.00

Youth (17 and under) - Free

No Family Cap

FEAST

\$15.00 Each - Limited to 50 Seats

Site opens at 8:00 AM

Site closes at 9:00 PM

Keep an eye on our website for updates! barony-cde.org or cde.calontir.org.

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Event Flyer Guidelines

For Their Majesties to hold Court, & for official business to happen, a complete flyer must be published in The Mews. Failure to do so means that the Crown can not hold Court at that event. Prior to emailing a flyer confirm your event with the Reeve. The Mews WILL NOT publish an announcement if your event has not been approved or confirmed. Check the Kingdom Calendar at: <https://www.calontir.org/events/>

Editable: An Editable version of your flyer MUST be sent. Work with the Social Media Officer for flyers that may be posted on social media.

Deadline: The Chronicler must receive event copies no later than the 1st of the month THREE MONTHS PRIOR to your event. *For Example:* If the event is in November, the flyer must be received by August 1st for the September Mews. Refer to the Calendar at the front of the Mews.

If there is an issue with meeting the deadline, please contact the Chronicler ASAP. There is no grace period. The deadline is final and non-negotiable. The earlier a flyer is received the better!

Flyers MUST contain these SIX ITEMS:

1. Name of the sponsoring group or groups
2. Day, month, and year of the event
3. Site open & close times for populace
4. Location of the event—the name of the event site, and full address.
5. Name, both SCA and Modern, of the Event Steward, including contact phone and email (Needed for emergencies or issues arise)
6. Details of Registration—Do NOT use “FEE” as a describer for registration cost.

For Example:

Adult Event Registration: \$25

Adult Member Discount Registration: \$20

Youth (6-17) \$5

Children 5 & Under: FREE