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FROM THE CHRONICLER

Greetings unto the Populace of our fair Kingdom,



Now that Kingdom Arts & Sciences has come and gone, it is time to prepare for the abundant number of events we have scheduled for this fall. We should also begin to prepare for the WARS... War of the Rams and Gulf Wars. Gulf Wars is 6 months away, yes I said it, six months.

Recently a band of Gleann Abhann populace members made a trek north to the lands of Calontir, to a small southwest town in Missouri. Our only purpose for our travels was to see a man about a knighting as one often does. A gentle southern man with a bit of a Virginian cadence to his voice. A genuine man who stands tall and thinks before he speaks and who always has

the right thing to say. Is it an act, I am sure we will never know.

Our friend Grimmbrand Hundeman of the Grimfells was elevated to the Order of Chivalry at March Warden in the Kingdom of Calontir on September 28th with 16 members of his Ram Fan Club in attendance.



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Small Gray Bear • Clinton, AR

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Slay the Dragon

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Gleann Abhann Fall Crown List

Axemoor • Elks Lodge, Hattiesburg, MS



GA Autumn Melees

Shire of Dragoun's Weal. Laurel, MS

WAR OF THE RAMS

Barony of Bordermarch • Ansteorra • Colmesneil, TX



Christmas Revel

Axemoor • Kings Arrow Ranch, Lumberton, MS



RTOC

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12th Night

Seleone • Lakeshore CC - Bay St. Louis, MS



Winter Wonders 38

SAVE THE DATE



Barbarian Brawl

SAVE THE DATE



Candlemas

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THERE'LL BE SCARY GHOST STORIES AND TALES OF THE GLORIES...

By the time this reaches folks, we'll be approaching the end of October; moving into November; entering the long dark nights of wintering. There are never enough of those for me... but I understand some may be dreading it... I can only say embrace the hot cocoa weather.

All that time to cozy up inside. Time to plan and perhaps begin new projects. And for navel gazing and crafting stories. It's how ghost stories became such a companion to Christmastime. Those long dark nights have always been ripe for them. And humans perhaps just genuinely love them. From Homer (Odyssey) to Pliny (with a ghost bound in chains!) to Shakespeare (A Winter's Tale* to choose just one), the decades of focus we SCAers study are riddled with scary stories to tell in the dark. Seneca wrote of ghosts; ghouls and corpses populated One Thousand and One Nights; and if you've never read early Japanese ghost stories, I recommend them... but with the lights on. A couple of other laurel friends and I that love the spooky season often talk about dream projects — ones we'd love to tackle ourselves or encourage others to try — like vampire hunting kits (no, really) or protection spells for loved ones or any number of legends that could be deftly set into the bardic

arts. We particularly love how the distant past and its people are not unrecognizable. We can see ourselves in them, even if only a little. When Guinevere's mother's ghost (in *The Awntyrs off Arthure*) emerges from a swamp, beset by toads and mired with mud and pain, and accompanied by howling storms, one does not miss the point despite the language being quite different than the way we now describe our own hauntings. The story of St. Edmund, who lost and subsequently harassed until reunited with, his head, surely makes one think of Ichabod Crane. And who has not had their heart broken at least once that made us wish to wander the halls of a long-abandoned castle a-moaning our sorrow and frightening the locals...

The lines can be so easily drawn from our ancestors to ourselves. And that has made me think about my favorite project from our most recent KA&S. Elizabeth Alexandra Donnan (of Grey Niche) put forth a beautiful display, and a tasty one, of beef dishes with a guided trail that led from her own grandmother all the way back to the ancients. Each dish akin to the next in a very carefully guided trek back in time, showing how we are different, but more so and ever so similar. How we are nourished by many things that have remained the same from

the Romans to now. I encourage you, if you are intrigued, to seek her out to talk about her lovely project. It's full of excellent rabbit holes to follow, especially for us foodies. And she knows her stuff.

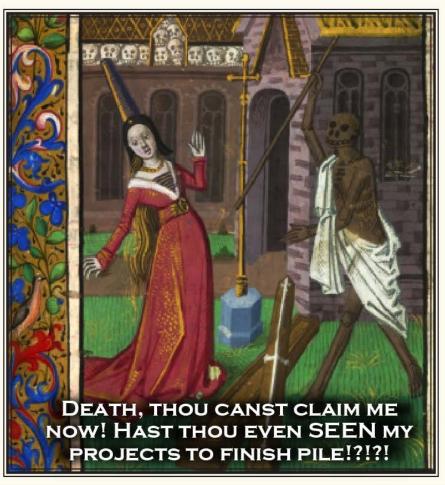
Her brilliant idea of that guided trail has got my creative brain buzzing, thinking of all those threads that could be followed. And it very quickly led me to my friends' and my love of ghosty things. And spooky season. And the long dark winter ahead. I hope that it might inspire you, too... firing up new connections, clever new projects, and satisfying new research. And if you do decide to tackle that vampire hunting kit... let us know so we can eagerly follow along. Of course, one ever present trope in ghost stories is their return being forced by unfinished business

(cough - projects - cough) ... and who, if not we artisans, could understand that better. *ahem*

Yours sincerely, in anticipation of great things to emerge from our wintering...

DAME SARA DE LA PETRA

* 'A sad tale's best for winter,' says little Mamillius 'I have one/ Of sprites and goblins...' Spoiler, he's dead by Act III.







REGISTER NOW



Uct 18-20

Diamond Wars

Shoal Creek Methodist Camp

571 Methodist Youth Camp Rd New Blaine, AR 72581

Site Opens: 5pm Friday Site Closes: 10am Sunday

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Adult Member - \$17

ADULT Registration - \$27 17 & Under - FREE Bed \$7 - Tenting \$7 Feast - \$12



PayPal deadline: Oct 4th, 11:59

Make check payable to: SCA, Inc. - Barony of Small Gray Bear

PD Box 2584 - Little Rock, AR 72202

Oct 25-27

Samhain Battle of the Veterans

Meeman Shelby State Forest Piersol Group Camp

Museum Rd. Millington, TN 38053

Site Opens: 5pm Friday Site Closes: 10am Sunday

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PayPal deadline: Oct 11th, 11:59

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Navy, Marines & CG

Army, Air Force, Space Force Nov 01-03

SLAY THE DRAGON

Shire of Vogelburg

Jimmie Davis State Park

1209 State Park Road Chatham, La 71226

Site Opens: 5pm Friday Site Closes: 10am Sunday

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THL Meadhbh na N'Ghall MKA BJ Day

Feastocrat:

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Adult Member - \$15

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Nov 08-10

GA Fall Crown List

Barony of Axemoor

Elks Camp

212 Elks Lake Rd. Hattiesburg, MS 39041

Site Opens: 5pm Friday Site Closes: 10am Sunday

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Gentile d'Orleans mka Jessica Delrie

Feastocrat:

Aofie mka Jill Applegate

Reservationist:

Nathan Zeringue

Adult Member - \$15

ADULT Registration - \$25 17 & Under - FREE Bed \$10 - Feast - \$12 Tenting - \$5 per person



PayPal deadline: Oct 25th, 11:59

Fight for the Honor! Attend for the excitement! Stay for the Revely

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REGISTER NOW



Nov 16th

Gleann Abhann Autumn Melees

Shire of Dragoun's Weal

Selve d'Arme

21 Dorman Welborn Rd Laurel, MS 39443

Site Opens: 5pm Friday Site Closes: 10am Sunday

Autocrat:

Meaghan Arsmith mka Teresa Moss

Reservationist:

Isabella D'Arques mka Michele Lofton

Marshal in Charge:

Tristan of the Argent Lion mka Garrison Morton

Adult Member - \$15

ADULT Registration - \$5 17 & Under - FREE

Early ons may tent on Friday night after 5pm

Fundraiser luch provided for a donation to crown discretionary fund

Feast will be a Potluck, Shire will provide a meat.

Dec 06-08

Christmas Revel

Barony of Axemoor

Kings' Arrow Ranch

26 King's Hwy Lumberton, MS 39455

Site Opens: 5pm Friday Site Closes: 12pm Sunday

Autocrat:

Bss Adalyde de Sardaigne

Feastocrat:

Bss Juliana of Emphingham

Reservationist:

THL Aofie O'Calliegh

Adult Member - \$12

ADULT Registration - \$22 17 & Under - FREE Bed \$8 - Feast - \$12 Tenting - \$6 per person

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PavPal deadline: Nov 22nd, 11:59

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Dec 13-15

Gleann Abhann RTDC

Shire of Dragoun's Weal

SAVE THE DATE

Jan 4th

Seleone 12th Night

Barony of Seleone

Lakeshore Community Center

6440 Lower Bay Rd Bay St. Louis, MS 39520

Site Opens: 9:00 am Site Closes: 7:00 pm

Autocrat:

Debroah of Haleshaven

Feastocrat:

Deborah of Haleshaven

Free Event

Free Pot Luck Event

Bring a dish to share

Baronial Championships

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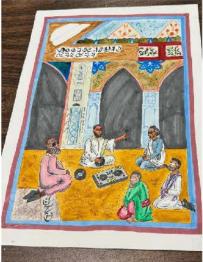


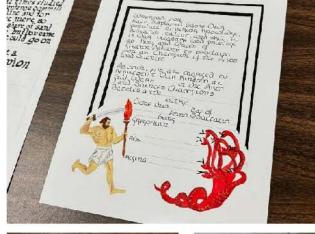






















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