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Meridian Calendar of Events

Date	Event	Sponsoring Group & Contact
May 3 – 5, 2024  	Black Axe	Hosted by the Barony of Iron Mountain POC: Baron Erik Martel Mistress Rondalynne Seren knightofkittens@gmail.com
May 10 – 12, 2024  	Golden Lily	Hosted by the Shire of Beau Fort POC: Duchess Sabine d'Orliens aimfred@gmail.com
May 24 – 27, 2024    	Spring Crown/Kingdom Arts and Sciences	Hosted by the Shire of Forthcastle POC: Lady Veronica Venier Sen.forthcastle@meridies.org
Jun 7 – 9, 2024	Giants Dance	Hosted by the Shire of Nant-Y-Derwyddon POC: Yamamoto Shingen Sen.nyd@meridies.org
Jun 15, 2024	Menhir	Hosted by the Shire of Rising Stone POC: Countess Gwen na Preachain medieval_vogue@yahoo.com
Jun 22, 2024	Warden's Challenge	Hosted by the Shire of Easaraigh POC: Ellen DeLacey Sen.easaraigh @meridies.org
Jul 4 – 7, 2024	Known World Dance and Music Symposium XIV (OOK)	Hosted by the Barony of Sternfeld of the Kingdom of the Middle POC: THL Colette the Seamstress alice.the.seamstress@gmail.com

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Publication Deadlines

All event flyers, notices, officer letters, etc., must be received by the first of the month preceding the month of publication, e.g., event flyers for the July PC must be received by June 1.

Calendar

The Meridian Event Calendar originates with the Kingdom Seneschal's Office and is correct as of April 10, 2024. To add your event to this calendar contact the Kingdom Calendar Deputy at [calendar@meridies.org].

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A Missive from Their Royal Majesties

Dearest Populace,

As Hades and Persephone prepare to leave for spring and summer along with the mortals. With Hades continuing his rants about how terrible the surface world is... it has Atlanta Traffic and Pants...Pain and Panic prepare for their tenure as stewards of the underworld. We can't imagine anything will go wrong during our time above.

We have such a long list of people to be thankful for we can't ensure to get them all so we will call out some of the key team leaders that made coronation and its party fun and memorable. To David Duckworth and Essyllt Prasa Fostra, we have had a lot of work to get a big party in addition to the normal expectations of a Coronation. To add to it, we wanted activities and performances and you two handled it extremely well and should be very proud. We have heard nothing but good feedback about the activities and performances.

To Bam and Mariana Cristina Tirado, you two are some of the finest cooks in our world. We are pleased to call you brother and sister. We cannot thank you enough to you and your teams for spending so much time ensuring that we had a fantastic feast for people to stay and have a good time at the party. Albaruna Ana de Granada the newcomer and royal lunch was fantastic, we had 45 newcomers on site and most of them came to enjoy your food and it was amazing. We appreciate your energy, skill and genuine love of our organization. We thank you for the bottom of our black little hearts.

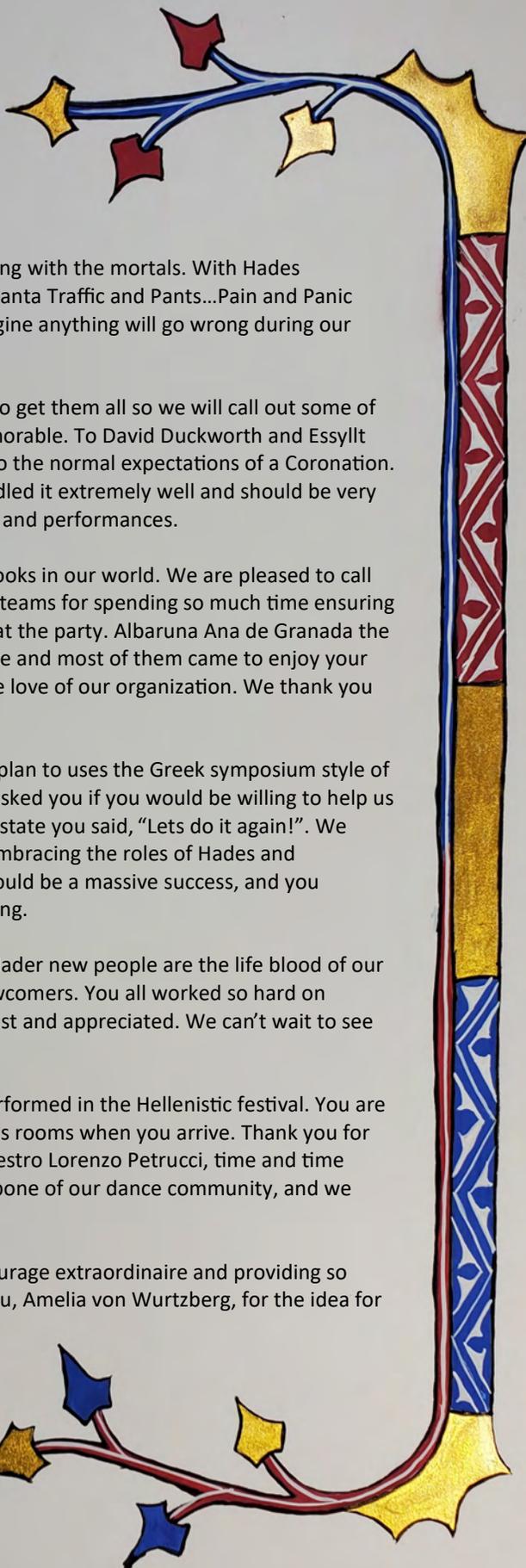
Adaïre Wren, when we first came to you 5 years ago and told you my plan to uses the Greek symposium style of court, feast, and revel. To share stories and build memories. We had asked you if you would be willing to help us decorate, and you knocked it out of the park. And even in your weary state you said, "Lets do it again!". We contacted you again and told you our theme of the underworld and embracing the roles of Hades and Persephone, your joy and passion struck home with us. We knew it would be a massive success, and you surpassed our wildest imaginations. Thank you very much for everything.

Dis in Rauða Erland Cadwallader Snorri Smedsonn, and Erland Cadwallader new people are the life blood of our organization and you created an amazing welcoming table for our newcomers. You all worked so hard on ensuring they had clothes, favors, food and comfort. Your service is vast and appreciated. We can't wait to see the new faces we saw last weekend at their next event.

The ladies of Howling Mountain who sponsored Rose ball, but also performed in the Hellenistic festival. You are as gracious, kind, and skilled as you are lovely. Your presence brightens rooms when you arrive. Thank you for the décor! Our Rose Ball dancing was Masterfully orchestrated by Maestro Lorenzo Petrucci, time and time again you grace us with your skill and love of dance. You are the backbone of our dance community, and we thank you for all your joy and hard work.

And last but not least, Mael Murie igenDubhgaill, for being court entourage extraordinaire and providing so many great decorations. The skeletons in togas are so great! Thank you, Amelia von Wurtzberg, for the idea for the memorial wall and Gwenhwyfar Mwynn, William Scrivner for ensuring it came to life.

To our performing arts community, you are an embarrassment of riches! We had so many offers we didn't even have time to do them all. We would like anyone who is going to attend an event that wants to grace us with your skill and wit we will



Continued Missive From Their Royal Majesties



absolutely help to orchestrate your performance. We feel strongly that performing arts is an essential aspect of our community that brings ambiance, entertainment, and joy. We can't wait to hear more from our wonderful populace.

We had a number of activities at Coronation and though we were excited to announce them we had such a full docket for the evening, and we had several champions selected, we will be letting the populace know about these at Fool's War. And we can't wait to share!!

As Spring starts in full force Crown Lyst will be fast approaching. We will be accepting letters of intent starting now and will take them right up until the start of the tournament. Prepare your weapons of choice as we have a best 2 out of 3 double elimination tournament. Ensure you bring your Lyst shields. We look forward to selecting the next chapter of the saga of the kingdom of Meridies.



Yours In Service to the Dream,
Basileia Morgan II Basileius Sebastianos II
Queen and King
of the Laurel Kingdom of Meridies



Kingdom Law Changes – April 2024 Timothy and Ysmay III

#1 – Page 8. Change to Publication in order to set consistent timeframes to publish Kingdom Law changes.

D. Publication

~~1. All proclamations of amending ments, additions, and deletions to Kingdom Law must be published in the Kingdom newsletter within 30 days of issuance, signed by the Sovereign, the Consort, and the Kingdom Seneschal.~~

~~1-2. Changes to Kingdom Law must be announced in the next available Kingdom newsletter, or in a special supplemental publication.~~

~~2-3. The Kingdom website is the repository of Kingdom Law.~~

I.102—PUBLICATION

~~All amendments, deletions, additions, and proclamations of Kingdom Law must be published in the Kingdom newsletter or in a special supplemental publication within 90 days of issuance and must be signed by the Sovereign, the Consort, and the Kingdom Seneschal. If a supplemental publication is used, an announcement must be made in the Kingdom newsletter. Publication may be in printed or electronic format.~~

#2 - Page 16 - 17. Changes to Succession, Per Society Seneschal Guidance.

(Published in Pop Chiv and Kingdom Webpage).

III.101 SUCCESSION, ABDICATION, OR FAILURE OF THE CROWN

- A. A Sovereign or Consort's reign will be considered 'failed' if any event occurs which precludes the completion of the reign.
- B. In the event either the Sovereign or Consort abdicates or fails, the remaining Crown representative continues to rule alone for the remainder of the reign.
- ~~C. In the event either the Heir Sovereign or Heir Consort abdicates or fails, the remaining heir may seek a variance from Society to reign as Crown individually or they may step down and a new Crown list will be held. If the Kingdom does not have Heirs, the most recent past Sovereign available (excluding the Sovereign who abdicated or failed) will serve as Regent until a new Sovereign and Consort can be selected. The Regent, Kingdom Seneschal, and Earl Marshal will hold a new Crown List within 8 weeks. The winner and consort will be crowned immediately as Sovereign and Consort.~~
- ~~C-D. If the Kingdom does not have Heirs, the most recent past Sovereign available (excluding the Sovereign who abdicated or failed) will serve as Regent until a new Sovereign and Consort can be selected. The Regent, Kingdom Seneschal, and Earl Marshal will hold a new Crown List within 8 weeks. The winner and consort will be crowned immediately as Sovereign and Consort.~~
- ~~D-E. The Crown or Regent and Kingdom Seneschal will change the calendar, if necessary, to satisfy Kingdom Law regarding dates for future Crown Lists and Coronations.~~

#3 – Page 27. Clarification to KLEs, bid may be day event if appropriate.

- ~~D. The Crown may award bids as early as one year, but no later than six (6) months, prior to the scheduled event, except for Coronation. At The Crown's discretion, Coronation bids may be awarded following the determining Crown Tournament, so that Their Majesties and Heirs may consult prior to awarding the bid for The Heirs' Coronation. The Kingdom Seneschal will officially notify all bidding groups of the bid outcome.~~
- ~~D-E. A suitable bid for a day event may be awarded when appropriate in lieu of a full weekend event.~~

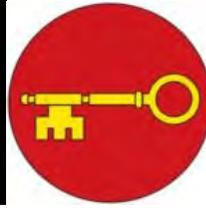
#4 – page 28. Remove reduced fee for Herald's submission, no longer done.

VII.101 MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

The Kingdom offers the following benefits to members of the populace, who contribute to the greater weal of the Society and the Kingdom by holding a paid membership. All membership types are equal for the purposes of the benefits.

- A. Holding a branch, regional or Kingdom office,
- B. Participation in Crown List,
- C. Eligibility for Grant Level or Higher awards.
- ~~D. Heraldic Submissions: The College of Herald's will offer a cost reduction per action.~~

From the Kingdom Seneschal



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Greetings,

We are putting out a call for resumes for Kingdom Webminister. If you want to serve the Kingdom, please submit your resume to seneschal@meridies.org and crown@meridies.org. Candidates should have a general knowledge of WordPress and Google Office products. Internet access and a computer are also required. IT experience is optional but doesn't hurt. Understand this position has an average time commitment of about 10 hours a week (sometimes more). Candidates must maintain an active SCA membership during their time in office. The deadline for resumes is May 15th.

In Service,

Majster Nikoslav Mikolaevich, OD, OP

Nicholas Cheimis
Kingdom Seneschal, Meridies



From the Kingdom Earl Marshal

Good Gentles,

I am halfway through my tenure as Kingdom Earl Marshal and am looking for a replacement deputy. The KEM has been redefined as a more administrative position. You will be compiling reports from your deputies and assisting them as they run their programs. You will have the final say and approval of changes to the martial programs for Meridies. You will also be a liaison between Meridies and Society as well as filling out quarterly reports to them.

This job requires 5-10 hours per week. If you are interested send your resume to kem@meridies.org. All submissions are due by May 1, 2024. Thank you for your time.

Your Servant,

Sir Iastreß Desislavich,
KEM Meridies

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THE BARONY OF IRON MOUNTAIN PRESENTS

BLACK AXE



May 3rd - 5th • Dalwhinnie Fields • 1515 Pine Flat Church Rd • Selma, AL 36701

Come celebrate one of the oldest tournaments in the Kingdom of Meridies and the Knowne World! The Barony of Iron Mountain looks forward to hosting you for a fun weekend of fighting, feasting, and festivities. Come fight in the Black Axe tournament along with the ever-popular charity tournament, the Nine Lives tourney. A delectable feast to be prepared by Mistress Margery of Crosgate. Afterwards, revel with your fellow Meridians around a fire and tell of epic adventures and songs. Site opens at 5 pm on May 3rd, Site closes at 10 am on May 5th. *More information on the Facebook event page and at ironmountain@meridies.org*

Event Stewards: Baron Erik Martel & Mistress Rondalynne Seren

(Joe Goodwin & Ronda Janowicz) knightofkittens@gmail.com, (860) 884-7909 no calls after 8 pm CST / 9 pm ET

Head Cook: Mistress Margery of Crosgate

Reservations: Lady Emma Wyatt

	Members	Non-Members	Under 18
Daytrip	\$19	\$29	Free (food and bunk fee additional)
Weekend	\$24	\$34	
Feast additional \$12, Breakfast additional \$3 to the prices above			
Bunk space additional (limited number) \$13 Upper bunks \$15 Lower bunks			

Mail to reservations to: Lady Emma Wyatt (Jen King), 1579 Vestridge Cir, Vestavia Hills, AL 35216. Contact (205) 746-6111

(no calls after 8 pm CST / 9 pm ET), excheq.ironmtn@meridies.org. **Make checks payable to:** SCA, Inc/Barony of Iron Mountain.

Directions: Dalwhinnie Fields, 1515 Pine Flat Church Rd, Selma, AL 36701. From the North: Take your best route to AL-14, turn left onto Co. Rd. 58. From the South: Take your best route to AL-14, turn right onto Co. Rd. 58. (Pine Flat Church Rd.)



The Shire Of Beau Fort presents

Golden Lily - Spring In Italy

May 10-12, 2024 Hard Labor Creek State Park, Rutledge, GA



Please join us as we celebrate the many spring festivals throughout the regions of Italy. There will be two heavy tournaments, fencing, as well as fun and games for young and old. A sumptuous Tour of Italy feast presented by Duchess Thorkatla will be served buffet style at stations honoring different festivals of Italy. The evening will end with a masked ball. Don't have a mask? No worries! A mask making activity will be available during the day. Site opens at 6pm Friday, and closes at 10am Sunday. Site features cabins. No tent camping.

Event Steward:

Duchess Sabine d'Orliens (Amy Hicks) aimfred@gmail.com 770-596-4541

Feast Steward:

Duchess Thorkatla Herjolfsdottir (Kathi Nikolich) anglesandlight@yahoo.com

Reservations:

THL Petra the Blythe (Petra Walters) Excheq.beaufort@meridies.org 650-678-2428

Site Fees:

Daytrip—\$15, Weekend \$25
Non-member fee—\$10

Food:

Breakfast—\$5, Feast \$15

\$5 per vehicle parking fee required

Make Checks Payable to :
SCA Inc/Shire of Beau Fort

Event Site: Camp Daniel Morgan

Hard Labor Creek State Park
5 Hard Labor Creek Rd, Rutledge GA 30663

Directions: From I-20: Take Exit 101. Continue on US-278 E. Take Old Mill Rd to Hard Labor Creek Rd. Look for signs to small group camp.

The Shire of Forthcastle Proudly Hosts -

Kingdom A&S Faire

Crown Tournament

Friday, May 24th, 3 P.M. - Monday May 27th, 10 A.M.

Camp Benjamin Hawkins - 2251 Boy Scout Road
Byron, GA 31008

Directions -

Take I-75 South to Exit 153 (south of Macon).
Turn left onto Sardis Church Road.
Bear left onto Hartley Bridge Road.
Road name will change to Boy Scout Road

Pricing - Weekend

- Member - \$30
- Non-member - \$40

Daytrip -

- Member - \$25
- Non-member - \$35

Under 17 - Free

Feast -

- Saturday - \$15
- Sunday - \$15



Make checks payable to SCA, Inc/Shire of Forthcastle
Mail to 1300 Independence Place Dr 753, Hinesville, Ga 31313

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Mistress Christina Torado
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Menhir: The Ancient World

June 15, 2024

Come join the Shire of Rising Stone back at our traditional site for a day focused on all things pre-6th century, from astronomy to daily dress.

Eat a delicious Roman thermopolia-style (fast food) lunch feast by Mistress Maysun.

Fight in exciting tournaments, including the Ser Maddach bearpit and the Papa John Memorial Tourney, run by Duke Seth, Sir John, and Sir Haldr. Also fight in exciting tournaments with the rapier list.

Event Steward and class coordinator: Countess Gwen na Preachain (Stephanie Stewart-Howard, medieval_vogue@yahoo.com)

Feast Steward: Mistress Maysun al-Rasheeqa (Missy Pancake, mpankake@gmail.com)

Reservationist: Master David l'Ymagour (David Fricker, reeve@risingstone.org)

Location: Lane Agri Park, 315 John R Rice Blvd, Murfreesboro, TN 37129

Price: All prices are daytrip only.

\$18 – Members; no feast

\$28 – Non-Members; no feast

\$7 – Feast per person

Site opens 8:30 am and closes 6 pm

Make checks payable to SCA-TN, Inc: Shire of Rising Stone



The Shire of Easaraigh Presents:



**JUNE 22
2024**

WARDENS CHALLENGE

EPISODE VI

RETURN OF THE WARDEN

Daytrip Event

Smugglers, Bounty Hunters, & Dark Forces threaten the Northern Plateaul But, our valiant Warden has returned. Can you help him? Will the malevolent forces prevail? **Help us Eoin, you're our only hope!**

The Warden's Challenge will be an archery, live weapons, rapier and heavy fighting oriented skill-building event for the populace to hone their accuracy and preparedness to drive off the evil-doers. Rules, activities, classes/salons, and menus will be posted to the web as they are known.

Location: White County Fairgrounds Ag Building, 565 Hale Street, Sparta, TN 38583
Troll Opens at 8AM CST on 6/22/24 Activities Start at 9AM CST. Site closes at 7PM CST

	Member	Non-Member
Event Cost:	\$ 10	\$ 20
Under 17:	\$ 0	\$ 0
Feast:	\$ 7	\$ 7

Steward: Baron Eoin Mac Cana
(MKA: Rob Pace)
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931-526-2700 (No calls after 9pm CST, please)

Feastcrat: Lord Ronan & Lady Elysant
email: tadlockart@gmail.com
931-644-7445 (No calls after 9pm CST, please)

Website: <https://easaraigh.meridies.org/wcvi/>
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/easaraighorg/>

Make Checks Payable to:
SCA-TN, Inc/Shire of Easaraigh

Reservations: Lady Asa Kolbrun
MKA: Sherry Anderson
155 Goodson Lane
Sparta, TN 38583
931-212-1542 (No calls after 9pm CST, please)





Now taking bids for

GULF WARS

2025

AUTOCRAT!

Bids must be submitted by July 8, 2024.

Applicants must provide a resume with the bid.

Send Bids and Resumes to:

Gwynn Bleyne

seneschal@gleannabhann.net

Membership fees and non-member registration fee changes

The Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc. (SCA, Inc.) is announcing an increase in membership fees and non-member registration fees for events. At the January 2024 meeting of the Board of Directors, the Board approved the following changes, effective February 15, 2024:

- Raise the Sustaining membership price from \$45 a year to \$55 a year (This represents an \$0.83 cents per-month increase over the previous monthly rate.)
- Raise the Associate membership price from \$30 to \$40 a year. (This represents an \$0.83 cents per-month increase over the previous monthly rate.)
- Raise the Family membership price from \$10 a year to \$15 a year, per person. (This represents an \$0.42 cents per-month increase over the previous monthly rate.)

No changes to Canadian or International memberships have been announced at this time.

Note: this change will take effect for all renewal transactions

processed on or after February 15, 2024. Renewal transactions prior to that date will be processed at the previous rate, regardless of membership expiration date.

The Board also approved the following changes to Non-Member Registration fees, effective May 1, 2024:

- Raise the Non-Member Registration Fee from \$5 to \$10 per event. As always, this only applies whenever there is an actual event fee charged.

Additional details for these changes are located at the following website:

<https://www.sca.org/news/membership-fee-increase-effective-february-15-2024/>

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