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The Official Monthly Newsletter
of the Kingdom of Meridies



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Meridian Calendar of Events

| Date | Event | Sponsoring Group & Contact |
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| Oct 27-29, 2023   | Gatalop | Hosted by The Barony of Osprey POC: Lady Sigrdor Reioubuinsdottir Sigrid.the.prepared@gmail.com Lady Katerine le Wolfhunt Arrow_wolf1415@yarhoo.com |
| Oct 27-29, 2023 | Silver Hammer | Hosted by The Barony of Thor's Mountain POC: Rorik Mac Lugdach bardagh@gmail.com THL Jyne Hope jaynesings@msn.com |
| Nov 4, 2023 | Come Together! A Reunification Event | Hosted by The Shire of Glynn Rhe POC: Mistress Nuala mistressnuala@gmail.com |
| Nov 10-12, 2023     | Fall Crown List | Hosted by The Shire of Arenal POC: Mistress Jane Wolfden wolfdenjanesca@gmail.com |
| Nov 16 – 19, 2023   | Castle Wars | Hosted by the Barony of South Downs POC: Lady Hessa Schonberg hessaschonberg@gmail.com Lady Ysabel du Val sca.ysabel@gmail.com |
| Dec 1 – 3, 2023   | Magna Faire | Hosted by the Barony of Iron Mountain POC: Magdalena da Parma Sen.IronMtn@meridies.org |
| Dec 9, 2023 | Winter Market | Hosted by the Barony of Glaedenfeld POC: Dame Annora Draper kcuzzourt@outlook.com Maestra Mittens mijnasca@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 October 8, 2023. 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



Illumination by Runfridr Opirdottir

Greetings Fair Meridies, Coronation is upon us. As We think of plans for the next 6 months and what incredible things rest ahead, I can't help but take a moment to first look back. We look back at our last opportunity to take the mantle of Royalty on behalf of the Kingdom and how it was embattled by a pandemic. How we craved the interaction and fulfillment of Our community while fearing for the health and safety of Our friends and families. Times grew dark and the reign was far from what We had envisioned. It left Us with a sense of sadness and anxiety about what the SCA would look like in the years to come.

We have been overjoyed to see the SCA back in full swing and Our populace finding its heart beating strong once again. The leadership, commitment, and spirit of Our Kingdom's leadership over the last few years has been inspiring. Watching Wulfstan and Thorkatla take the reigns in dark times and lead us back toward a rhythm of play and heart of community was amazing. Then, seeing Lochlainn and Paraskova dedicate themselves to inspiring whimsy and laughter was a balm for a pandemic-weary soul. Randver and Arianne led the kingdom with prudence and care and hosted what turned out to be an incredibly fun Gulf Wars. And finally, our immediate predecessors Garrick and Yasamin - They brought such wisdom and perspective, tempered with virtue, joy and love.

We often fail to give enough credit to those who inspire Us, teach Us, and help Us grow into better versions of ourselves. So, we say "Thank You." Thanks for inspiring Us to try again. Thanks for showing Us the many facets of leadership in the wake of a multitude of challenges. Thanks for prioritizing joy and camaraderie and fun above all else. We will use your lessons as guideposts as We plan for the next chapter in the history of Meridies.

Now that We are finally getting a taste of Autumn weather, We are so excited to feel the warmth of campfires as We revel. Some of Our favorite events are rapidly approaching, and We can't wait to share them with you all. So, get out there, knock the dust off your armor, don those cloaks, finish those projects, and enjoy a wonderful event season.



IN SERVICE TO THE DREAM,
TIMOTHY



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An Announcement from Their Royal Majesties

Letters of intent for the upcoming Fall Crown List will be accepted in the month of October. If you wish to participate, you have until midnight on Halloween to submit your letters.

Please note the requirements outlined in Meridian Kingdom Law and SCA Corpora. The Letter of Intent must include, at a bare minimum, the following:

- a. A statement that it is the intent of the competitor and consort to participate;
- b. A statement that each person has read Corpora and Kingdom Law and meets the respective requirements of each;
- c. Proof of membership for both the competitor and consort;
- d. A copy of the competitor's authorization card;
- e. The competitor and the consort must sign the letter.

Letters should be submitted to each of the following:

- ◆ The Crown - crown@meridies.org
- ◆ Seneschal - sensechal@Meridies.org
- ◆ Exchequer - exchequer@Meridies.org
- ◆ Earl Marshal - kem@meridies.org



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From the Lambent Herald



Good Greetings Fellow Meridians from your Lambent Herald,

The Lambent Herald is that person responsible for heraldic commentary in Kingdom, and for heraldic commentary on behalf of the Kingdom of Meridies at Society level. If you submit a name or armory, I will, at some point, be commenting on it, and helping to determine whether or not it goes forward.

However, I also help those who need assistance and advice with heraldic submissions. I enjoy teach others a bit about how the process works and what

we look for.

I welcome anyone to contact me personally with any questions or for heraldic advice. I also extend an invitation to sign onto the Tuesday Night Social on any 2nd Tuesday evening and to enter the Herald's Breakout Room for answers to questions, assistance with submissions, a chance to expand your knowledge, or simply to socialize!

Remaining Ever in Service...

Meistres Bronwen o Gydweli,

Lambent Herald

Greetings from the Chatelain



To all fellow Meridians and friends I, Dis in Rauda, send heartfelt greetings.

I have the great honor of serving you as the Kingdom

Chatelaine and look forward to a fun, exciting and productive term. First and foremost I'd like to thank my predecessor Erland Cadwallader, who has done a phenomenal job setting up newcomer tables across kingdom events and welcoming newcomers as well as being a patient listener and giver of advice to all Chatelaines in need. As you know everyone should act as a chatelaine, always, whether you hold the office or not. The ones holding the offices are there to coordinate and facilitate the recruiting and retention efforts.

Today I'd like you to work on retention. One big part in retaining members is recognition. This can

happen by just saying thank you, giving gifts (largesse), mention in the word fame threads, or writing an award recommendation. Think especially about the ones doing things behind the scenes, the small acts of kindness, the welcoming greetings that made you feel home, the problem solvers. Please take the time to let them know they are seen and appreciated.

Make writing recommendations a habit. At every event, local group, online activity there are ones that go the extra mile. Their Majesties can't be everywhere and they need you to be their eyes and ears.

Thank you for staying informed and always working on a better tomorrow. Team work makes the dream work!

Yours in Service

Dis in Rauda



Chronicler's Corner

Greetings my fellow Meridians,

Over the next month, I will be verifying the warrants for all chroniclers. As a shire/baronial chronicler, you are to submit your newsletter as your quarterly report. If your publication is more frequent, please make sure I am receiving a copy of those as well. Also, make sure you are also emailing a copy of your publication to the Society Archivist Deputy for Digital Formats, Daoud al-Bodmani, (mka David K. Bodman) at

daoud.al-bodmani@outlook.com.

There are many working pieces to produce an accurate publication which effectively communicates written information to the populace. Most of this work is not created by your chronicler. There are artisans who draw many of the illustrations you see; photographers who capture the perfect moments celebrating our organization; event stewards who create flyers to entice attendees to their events; officers who discuss upcoming

information the populace needs to know.

I encourage you to be involved in your newsletter. Help your chronicler by sharing your knowledge. Don't worry about having the ability to write perfectly. Part of our job as chronicler is to help edit your work to make it shine! We are willing to work with you to get it right.

Thank you!
Ana de Granada

Elevations, Events, Announcements



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The Barony of the Osprey presents

GATALOP 39: MONGOLIAN MAYHEM



🏰 October 27-29, 2023 🏰

🌟 Fort Gaines, Dauphin Island, AL 🌟

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The Golden Horde is on the move, seeking their next conquest, which they have vowed to rename Bromaseltzer in honor of their newest recruit. Will you join Baron Yesugai Naran on the offensive, or will you help the Golden Dragon, Baroness Rhiannon of the Isle, to defend the Fort against the invading Bruins?

No matter what side proves victorious, enjoy a weekend full of heavy and rapier fighting, including the popular Running of the Gatalop, a regional Kingdom A&S Fair and the Barony's Athanor Faire, A&S classes, youth activities, and more! Then, Saturday evening after Court, enjoy a wonderful Mongolian feast.

Site opens 5pm on Friday and closes 11am on Sunday. Site is dry (no alcohol) while the fort is open to the public and discreetly wet (no visible containers) in the evenings.

Check out the website for more information:
<https://sites.google.com/view/gatalop2023>

Historic Fort Gaines

51 Bienville Blvd, Dauphin Island, AL 36528
<https://maps.app.goo.gl/99WDMncSpzegNDpr8>

Online Registration will be available through PayPal until 10/20/2023, or mail checks to:

SCA Inc./Barony of the Osprey
1651 Knollwood Drive
Apt 209
Mobile, AL 36609

| Fees | Early Bird Rate | Regular Rate | Youth |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|-----------|
| | Through 10/4 | After 10/5 | Ages 5-17 |
| Weekend | \$30 | \$35 | \$16 |
| Day-Trip | \$25 | \$30 | \$8 |
| Feast | \$12 | | |
| Shower Tokens | \$3 / each | | |
| Adult Member Discount - \$5 | | | |
| Youth are charged per site contract | | | |



The Barony of Thor's Mountain Presents: Silver Hammer 2023

October 27th 5pm - October 29th 11am

Big Ridge State Park - 1015 Big Ridge Road, Maynardville, TN 37807

Directions: Take best route to I-75 exit 122 (Norris/Clinton), take Route 61, travel 11.5 miles to Big Ridge State Park. Follow signs to Group Camp.

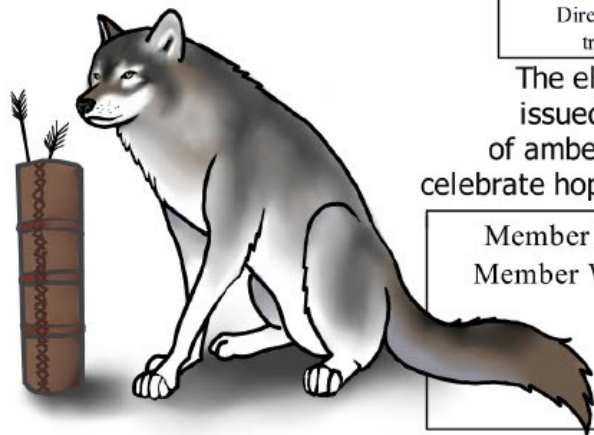
The elves of svarheim have come to midgard, and have issued a challenge: an archery tournament with a prize of amber and silver. Join us as we show them our skills and celebrate hopes for peace with feasting, tournaments, and festivities!

Member Daytrip: **\$20.00** | Non-Member Daytrip: **\$25.00**
Member Weekend: **\$30.00** | Non-Member Weekend: **\$35.00**

Children (17 and under) attend free!

Feast: **\$15.00**

Make checks payable to:
SCA-TN/Barony of Thor's Mountain



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Come Together! A Reunification Event

Saturday, November 4, 2023

Sharon Johnston Park > Pavilion #2

783 Coleman Road, New Market AL 35761

Troll opens at 8:00AM, site closes at 6:00PM

Join us for our first event as a combined group > Glynn Rhe 2.0!

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| Autocrat: Mistress Nuala / Debi Riepe 256.683.4478 / mistressnuala@gmail.com | Pricing: Member: \$10.00 Non-member: \$15.00 Feast: \$7.00 |
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| Pre-registration via Paypal will be available. Checks and cash only at the door. Make checks payable to: SCA,Inc/Shire of Glynn Rhe | |

Hosted by the Shire of Glynn Rhe

Directions: From north or south I-65, take exit 340 to I-565/US-72 east toward Huntsville. Stay US-72 taking Winchester Road NE (left at stop light) then turn right to Coleman Road. 1st park entrance on left then bear right at the Y (campground is on the left).

The Barony of South Downs Presents
Castle Wars
The Festival of St. Martin • Nov 16-19, 2023 • Whitesburg, GA

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Event Site
 McIntosh Reserve Park
 1046 W McIntosh Cir, Whitesburg, GA 30185
 From I-20 west, take exit 34 for GA-5 S. Continue 24 miles. Turn left on W. McIntosh Cir and follow signs.
 From I-20 east, take exit 11 for US-27 S. Continue 20 miles. Turn left on GA-5 N. Continue 11 miles. Turn right on W McIntosh Cir and follow signs.
 Site open Thurs at 5pm - Sun at 10am.

Event Fees

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| Weekend Member.....\$20 | Daytrip Member.....\$10 |
| Weekend Non-Member.....\$25 | Daytrip Non-Member.....\$15 |
| 17 Years and Under.....Free | Parking Pass (Per Vehicle).....\$5 |

Make checks payable to SCA, Inc./Barony of South Downs
 Mail to Meg Larson, P.O. Box 681863, Marietta, Ga 30068
 Requests for refunds must be postmarked or emailed to the reservationist within 24 hours of the close of the event. Refunds will not be issued at the event.

Register with Paypal!

THE SHIRE OF ARENAL
HOST

FALL CROWN LYST

2023

November 10 - 12, 2023

THE NORTHWEST FLORIDA FAIRGROUNDS

1958 Lewis Turner Blvd.

Fort Walton Beach, FL 32547

<https://goo.gl/maps/ZcQsQvRDKXoZ84xk7>

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Non-Member Weekend: \$35

Non-Member Day Trip: \$30

Member Weekend: \$30

Member Day Trip: \$25

Children 17 and under: Free!

Feast: \$15 (Breakfast included)

Event Early Bird Discount: \$4
Ends October 11th.

Please make checks payable to

SCA, Inc/Shire of Arenal and sent to Mike Ritz at

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THE BARONY OF IRON MOUNTAIN PRESENTS

Magna Faire

**MEDIEVAL
HOLIDAY**

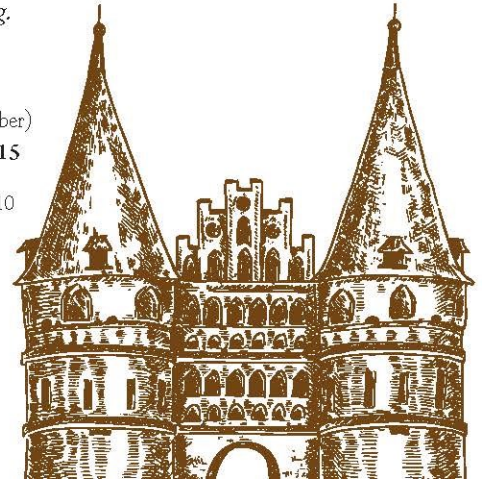
DALWHINNIE FIELDS • DECEMBER 1-3, 2023

Join us for a Medieval holiday weekend where you can enter a project in the Magna Faire or the A&S Regional. A special brewing track is planned along with other special interest classes. Rapier and heavy fighters can take part in the Toys for Tots charity tournament, the Sword and Mistletoe Tournament and the popular Iron Mountain Baronage Rapier Tournament. Site opens Friday at 5 pm central and closes Sunday at 10 am central. *Look for more information on the Facebook Event page and at ironmountain.meridies.org.*

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| Weekend Fee | Day Trip Fee | Breakfast additional \$3 |
| Non-member \$28.00 | Non-member \$22.00 | Feast additional \$12 |
| Member \$23.00 | Member \$17.00 | Bunk Space additional (limited number) |
| Children Admitted FREE but food and bunk space is additional | | Upper bunks \$13 Lower bunks \$15 |

Event Steward – Maestra Magdalena da Parma (Louise Webb) at Sen.IronMtn@meridies.org or 205 529 1010
Magna Faire Open and Class Steward – Mistress Marsali of Crosgate • **KA&S Regional** – Duchess Thorkata Herjolsdottir at artsci@meridies.org • **Feast Steward** – Mistress Aislinge MacCuihtein (Carla Neal) at carlaneal@comcast.net • **Knights Marshal** – THLord Iain MacArthur at KM.IronMtn@meridies.org

Directions: Dalwhinnie Fields, 251 Co. Rd. 58, Marion, 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. **Use Google Maps for Navigation. Make checks payable to:** SCA, Inc/Barony of Iron Mountain. **Mail to:** Lady Emma Wyatt (Jen King), 1579 Vestridge Circle, Vestavia AL 35216



Winter Market



The Barony of Gladedenfeld presents
A Winter Market in the style of 1400's Germany.

Please join us for a day of activities including shopping, arts and sciences including the Stella Nova Novice A&S Faire, fighting, and food as we prepare for the holidays.

Location: James E Ward Agricultural Center
945 E Baddour Pkwy, Lebanon, TN 37087
Date: Dec 9, 2023 **Time:** 9a-6p

Event Steward: Dame Annora Draper (Kristin Cuzzourt) kcuzzourt@outlook.com
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Vendor Coordinator: Magister Sean MacRory sean.macrory@outlook.com
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Mail reservations to: PO Box 40702 Nashville TN 37204

Make checks payable to: SCA-TN, Inc/Barony of Glaedenfeld

Registration Structure:

Adult Event Fee

Daytrip (pre-reg) - \$15.00 Member Discount - \$5.00

Daytrip (at door) - \$17.00 Member Discount - \$5.00

Feast - \$10.00

Children

All children 17 and under - FREE

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