

The Mews

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE KINGDOM OF CALONTIR





KINGDOM CALENDAR & ROYAL PROGRESS

Event Dates	Event	King & Queen/	Prince & Princess
Sept 5-7, 2025	King's Companie of Archers	ज्यिक्टी 😩	
Sept 12-14, 2025	Vertigo	জ্জি	
September 20, 2025	Gryphon's Fest 2025	জ্জি	
September 27, 2025	Kingdom A&S	ज्यिक्टी 😩	
October 3–5, 2025	Autumn Arrows 33		
October 3–5, 2025	Fall Brawl		
Oct 10-13, 2025	Chilies 2025	ज्यिक्य 😩	
October 25, 2025	Robin Hood's Men in Tights		
November 1, 2025	Kingdom HS&D Symposium	***	
November 8, 2025	Fall Crown Tournament	ज्यिका 😩	
November 15, 2025	Toys for Tots Tournament	ज्यिक्टी 😩	
December 13, 2025	Kris Kinder	জ্জি 😩	

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QUARTERLY BOARD MEETINGS TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

October 17 and 18, 2025 Quarterly Board Meeting (HYBRID)
Barony of Three Rivers, Kingdom of Calontir
Embassy Suites by Hilton St Louis – St Charles
Two Convention Center Plaza
Saint Charles, MO 63303

MID-QUARTER CONFERENCE CALL

Monday, August 18, 2025 Monday, September 15, 2025 (Tentative)

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<u>Calontir Calendar</u> https://www.calontir.org/events/

Officers and Group Information
https://www.calontir.org/find-a-group/

Kingdom Law

https://docs.google.com/document/d/190EqUBA-qLobJ6oRnh9-pfk8nzUFrCHbXouMMqI3B7M



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Read into Court

On this, the 12th day of July in the year 2025, Anno Societatis LX (60), We, Emerick Blackpool and Kolfina Halvgrimmsdottir, Crown of Calontir, issue a Banishment from the Royal Presence for Will Phillips, known in the Society as Hugo van Harlo.

From Their Majesties of Calontir, Emerick Blackpool and Kolfinna Halvgrimsdóttir, warmest greetings and fondest words.

As the wheel turns and summer wanes, we find ourselves reflecting on the mighty deeds and moments of joy we've shared with this glorious kingdom.

This past month, we had the immense honor of witnessing the talents of both our artisans and our fighters—those who weave with thread and those who weave with steel. The halls were filled with creativity and the fields rang with the clash of arms, and in each, Calontir's heart shone bright.

We marched east to the great fields of Pennsic, where we stood shield to shield with our Ansteorran brothers and sisters, and alongside our noble Western allies. Together, we faced the trials of war with courage and unity. It was a joy beyond words to fight beside such valiant hearts, and to celebrate friends from both near and far—some of whom we were honored to recognize and cheer upon the battlefield itself. As always, the end of war brought with it bittersweet partings, and we were heavy of heart to say farewell to so many beloved companions.

Not long after, we again traveled north to the Barony of Mag Mor for Cattle Raids—a day full of joy, laughter, and the spirit of Calontir. There was valor in the fighting field, skill upon the archery range, wisdom within the classes, and beauty in the equestrian displays. It was a shining example of how our kingdom thrives in every discipline.

And then, as the dust settled from Cattle Raids, we made our way to Raid or Trade—a delightful day that blended fun, friendship, and a healthy dose of mischief. We thoroughly enjoyed the laughter, the cleverness of the challenges, and the creative ways in which our populace engaged with one another. It was a perfect example of how Calontir finds joy not only in battle, but in community and play.

But most of all, throughout every journey and every event, we have felt the love and support of this kingdom. Surrounded by friends, family, and folk from every corner of Calontir, we are constantly reminded that a reign is made not by crowns, but by the people. And you, the heart of Calontir, have made our reign absolutely wonderful thus far.

With gratitude, pride, and joy, we look ahead to the months to come, eager to see where our Falcon leads us next.

In service and in joy, Emerick & Kolfinna, King and Queen of Calontir

Greetings Calontir!

This month's letter is more of an Origin Story. That is, the story of how I became a Herald.

In the spring of 2022, we were camping with friends, and talking about the SCA (as one does) and I mentioned that I still needed to decide on a name. We went through the process of finding a name, starting with something similar to my own so that I was more likely to answer to it. We used books and the internet and everything.

At an event, I took the researched name to Herald's Point, and asked for help in transferring it to a submission form. I received enthusiastic assistance, and was also offered the chance to design a device to go with my name.

It was about ten minutes in to talking with the heralds, when Dorcas loudly proclaimed that I was 'on the wrong side of the table,' and invited me to come around and learn how the consultation process worked.

I had an amazing time, and learned more about the Calontir College of Heralds, and joined both the email and Facebook groups.

A few weeks later, the current Gold Falcon sent out a notice that they were looking for a new Eyas (internal submissions) Herald. No prior experience necessary, but they were looking for someone with strong computer and administrative skills.

Listen - I had only been a herald for a month, but I can administrate like the wind. So I applied. I interviewed.

And I got the job.

With the advances in technology, the Eyas Herald is mostly responsible for taking the data from submissions forms and inputting it and any images into the Online System for Commentary and Response (lovingly called OSCAR).

Submissions are snail mailed, emailed and even handed directly to you. There's a fancy tool to run after everything has been scanned in to make the little thumbnails.

And I began to run the monthly internal decision meetings, where the heralds discuss and determine whether or not submissions were ready to advance to the next stage.

I learned a lot; I met a lot of super cool people along the way. Registering peoples names and devices is an excellent way to learn more about your new friends in the SCA. This utterly fascinating story is brought to you by the need to announce that I am currently accepting applications for a new Eyas Herald. Dorcas Whitecap has been doing both Saker and Eyas positions since I stepped up as Gold Falcon in February and it's more than past time to fill my old position.

Interested parties should send an email to goldfalcon@calontir.org by October 31st.

Yours in Service, Dýrfinna Tonnudóttir Gold Falcon Herald

Greetings from your Arts and Sciences Master Scheduler,

Kingdom Arts and Sciences is happening Saturday, September 27th, 2025 in the Barony of Mag Mor!

This event allows artisans of all skill levels compete in Tri-Levels; with a single entry judged at the difficulty level you choose, or to achieve the role of Kingdom Arts and Sciences Champion. To enter the Championship, you will need 3 entries from different disciplines <category/type of entry> that show a breadth of your skill and work.

We look forward to showcasing all the amazing artisans in our Kingdom! Entry submission will open August 11th, and the deadline for entries will be September 10th.

We will also need judges of all types! Please consider sharing your time and knowledge with our entrants. Judges sign up will also open August 11th.

For the Dream,

Dame Marie le Faivre

Master Arts and Sciences Scheduler

Greetings Calontir!

First of all, we would like to remind local officers to make use of the new event management system. Not only can you use it to submit and publish information about your event, but you can also use it to set up the event schedule, request submissions for activities and classes, publish feast/inn menus, and more. Effective use of this system will greatly improve communication surrounding events, so please be sure to get your information entered as far in advance of your event as possible.

Second, we are still seeking candidates for the office of Kingdom Webminister. This role does not require computer programming skills, however candidates should be "tech-savvy" and willing to learn. The office is responsible for building and maintaining the kingdom's web presence and for supervising the local group webministers. These technologies include Wordpress, Google Workspace, Google Sites, and interfacing with our web-host. If you are interested in this position, please send your letter of intent to webminister@calontir.org. Include any relevant experience and explain any goals you may have for your prospective term.

There are also several kingdom deputy and local group webminister positions available - so if you are interested in joining the team, even if not as the kingdom webminister, please send me an email.

Tech Tip of the Month: You can make a QR code from a website directly from many browsers. In Chrome, you can do this by right clicking on the window and selecting the "Create a QR Code for this page" option. QR codes are a good way to communicate links to forms and class handouts when at an event.

Sincerely, Gawin Kappler, OoD Calontir Webminister

Greetings unto the Populace of Calontir!

RUSH is the Royal University of Scir Hafoc (Welsh for "Bright Falcon"). The University is dedicated to promoting medieval history and Calontir culture, with a focus on accessibility and inclusion.

RUSH is looking for a new Deputy of Online Classes. This is one of our more active positions. The deputy is responsible for:

- Recruiting teachers for monthly classes.
- Creating and promoting the events online.
- Moderating the classes.

The deputy does not have to always do these tasks themselves, but they are responsible for ensuring the tasks are completed on time. There will be training provided, but familiarity with Facebook events, Zoom, Google Calendars, and Discord is recommended. This role typically has a 2 year term.

Many thanks to The Honorable Lady Berakha bat Mira v'Shlomo for her enthusiasm and work in this position. She did an amazing job and we look forward to working with her again in the future.

If you're interested in this role, submit a letter of interest to RUSH-Chancellor@calontir.org. Please feel free to reach out with any questions.

Yours in Service, Vashti al-A'shariyah RUSH Chancellor

The Barony of Lonely Tower Presents:



KING'S COMPANIE of ARCHERS

5pm Sept. 5th Noon Sept 7th, 2025
at the
Lilies Archery fields
Kelsey Short Youth Camp
17980 Collins Rd.
Smithville, MO 64809

Come and enjoy a full day of archery with your friends!

Stay for the pork roast, potluck dinner after court to celebrate.

Lunch Inn is provided by donation.

SERVICE DOGS ONLY PLEASE! Some on staff have severe allergies

Registration:

Adult event registration, 18yrs and up: \$35
Adult member discount event registration: \$25
Youth 10-17yrs: \$15

Youth 0-9yrs: free

Family cap: 2 adults and their children \$80 Make checks payable to: SCA Barony of Lonely Tower

Event Steward:
Gabrielle des Chats Noirs
Cathy Dougherty
(402) 943-9769
c2dougherty@icloud.com

Archer Marshal: Janos Katona Joel Ricketts (913) 915-3502

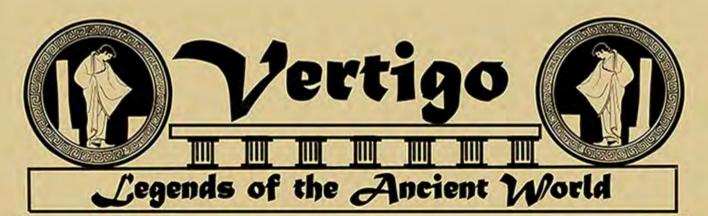
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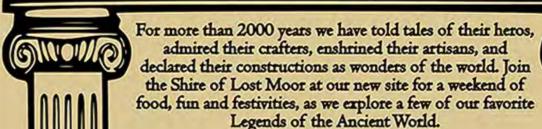
Inn Steward:

Mathilde Frubicke

Bonnie Rush

bonniebakes@yahoo.com





Where: Crowder State Park - Group Site 8598, 76 MO-128, Trenton, MO 64683

When: September 12th-14th 2025
Gate Opens: 4pm, Site closes at noon

Registration:

Adult Event Registration: \$40 Adult Member Discount Registration: \$30 Youth (under 18): Free

Food:

Donation Breakfast Donation Lunch Evening Feast (\$15)

Martial Activities:

Rattan Steel Archery Youth Combat

Youth Activities:

Youth Themed Arts and Sciences projects, games, and contests for prizes!

Site is Wet, please drink responsibly

Event Steward:

Lord Helias Basiliou (Mundane: Nick Robitsch) steward@lostmoor.calontir.org 503-387-9905

Event Website: https://lostmoor.calontir.org/vertigo

Gryphon's Fest: The Canterbury Tales



Please join The Barony of Three Rivers September 19th - 21st, 2025

at Skyway All Event Venue - <u>588 Highway W, Elsberry, MO 63343</u>
Site opens 5 p.m. Friday and closes 12 p.m. Sunday

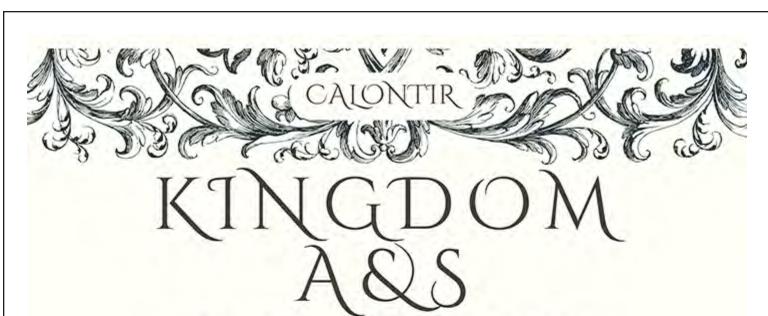
All are welcome to come along on a weekend pilgrimage to Canterbury. Honor Geoffrey Chaucer's collection of tales while enjoying storytelling, songs, combat and comradery during the journey.

Activities: Rattan Combat, Steel Combat, Archery, Thrown Weapons, Equestrian, Arts & Sciences, Youth & more! Adult Event Registration: \$30
Adult Member Discount
Registration: \$20
Youth 17 & Under: FREE
Make checks payable to:
The Barony of Three Rivers

Additional activity, food and site information will be provided on the Gryphon's Fest website: https://b3r.calontir.org/gryphons-fest-2025/

Your Event Stewards: Lady Luna di Caterino Tofani & Lady Isabella Danielle (Jennifer Butler & Ariana Pauley)

Email: <u>butlerjenniferc1996@gmail.com</u> Phone: (314) 623-2827 No calls after 9 p.m.





The Barony of Mag Mor welcomes the populace to participate and celebrate in **Kingdom A&S!**Come display your skill and enjoy the talents of Calontir!

SITE OPENS 8 AM ---- SITE CLOSES 7 PM, 9/27/2025

Saunders Co Fairgrounds 635 East 1st St Wahoo, NE 68066

ADULT MEMBER DISCOUNT REGISTRATION \$20 ADULT EVENT REGISTRATION \$30 UNDER 19 FREE

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO SCA, INC., BARONY OF MAG MOR

EVENT STEWARD: BARON SAITO TAKAUJI / MATTHEW PARKER BARON@MAGMOR.CALONTIR.ORG (303-859-4790)





The Shire of Calanais Nuadh Invites You to Join Us for:

Autumn Arrows XXXIII "Steppe into Hungary"

Friday, October 3th - Sunday, October 5th, 2025

- Archery & Thrown Weapons Tournaments
- Arts & Sciences Competition: Anything related to Event Theme
- > Bardic Competitions
- Lunch: Dancing Moon Inn by donation
- Feast \$15 per person, 50 seats available
- Plus Auction and More!
- Merchants Welcome!
- https://shireofcalanaisnuadh.org/autu mnarrows/

Please contact the Event Steward with any special dietary needs.

Adult Event Registration: \$25 Adult SCA Member Discount Registration: \$15

Youth (6-17) \$5; Children 5 & Under: Free Cash or Check at the Gate Make Checks Payable To: SCA Inc. - Shire of Calanais Nuadh

Site opens 5 pm Friday, Closes noon Sunday Pulaski County Shriner's Campground, 26920 Shrine Road, Laquey, MO 65534 Site is Wet. Free Camping, Showers, Flushies!

Event Steward:

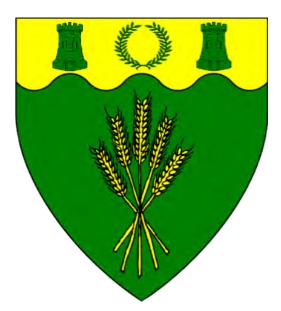
Mistress Roselyn of Aberdeen (Rose Blair) Email: <u>roseblair2021@gmail.com</u> 573-308-5207

Fall Brawl LX

An event hosted by Villa Frumentaria

October 3, 4, 5

Buena Vista County Conservation Park 377 440th St, Peterson, IA 51047 Camping Friday and Saturday Wet Site - No alcohol sales on-site Above ground fires allowed (pending weather) Inn for Lunch Saturday (Free Will Donation) Saturday Chili Feast (Free Will Donation)



Admission

\$35 for Adults \$25 for Adults w/Membership \$10 for Youths ages 6 - 17 Free for 5 years old and under

Gate

Friday: 5pm - 10pm Saturday: 9am - 3pm Site Closes Sunday Noon

Make Checks Payable to The Shire of Villa Frumentaria

Activities!

Rattan Fighting Steel Fighting
Arts and Science Competition Chili Cooking Competition
Bardic Arts and Science Classes

Vendors Welcome!

Event Steward

Ronan Rohan, MKA: Kevin Rohan eventsteward@villafrumentaria.calontir.org, text to 712-260-5773 https://villafrumentaria.calontir.org/events/fall-brawl-lx/

The Barony of Forgotten Sea Presents

Chilies II

Friday, October 10th, thru Monday, October 13th 2025 Site will open Thursday, October 9th after 5pm Site will close promptly Monday, October 13th at noon!

> Kelsey Short Youth Camp 17980 Collins RD Smithville, MO 64809

Come Join us for all the standard activities we hosted last year!

Rattan Combat Scenarios

Steel combat Scenarios

Archery and thrown weapons competitions

Arts and science classes (including the monstrously popular Parallel Play)

And new this year......a Chili Cook off sponsored by HL Skallagrímr!!

Thanks to last year's popularity, we're bringing back the Haunted Forest Walkthrough (and hoping to add other children's activities!)

And, finally, The Chilies Event Stewards decided "Damn the economy!" and are keeping prices the same as last year!

Adult Event Registration: \$50 / Adult Member Discount Registration: \$40

Youth (6-17) \$15 / Children 5 & Under: FREE

Event Stewards

Halvgrimr hafreki/Robert Schuster - 573 808 2889 (no calls after 9PM please)

HG Duncan Bruce of Logan/Clayton Neff - logan@lewis-neff.net

Miranda Logansdottir/Miranda Lewis-Neff- miranda@lewis-neff.net

Emma riddari/Melanie Roark - melaniekroark@gmail.com

Robinhood Men In Tights: Show Us Your Codpiece



25th Day of October, AS LX
October 25, 2025
8am - 5pm

Event Registration

\$35 for Adult Event Registration \$25 for Adult Member Discount Registration

\$10 for 12 and under

No additional merchant fees

Autocrat:Lady Collaye Ann Bruneau Kelly Ann Bonnell

Feastocrat: Biby fertch Llewelyn of Camelford Westumbria



Raymond Gymnasium 709 Main Street Raymond, KS 67573 *this is a dry site Competitions

Best Death in Combat

Codpiece in Any Medium

Wearable Codpiece

Ballad

Questions?

chatelaine@westumbria.calontir.org

Vendor: Avast Ye Java Coffee Truck

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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