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The Official Newsletter of the Kingdom of the Outlands

#### The Outlandish Herald

## Calendar of Upcoming Events

https://www.outlands.org/events

#### <u>March</u>

2 23	Shire of Plattefordham "Feast of the Valkyries" Kingdom of the Outlands "Kingdom Arts and Sciences Competition, A.S. LVIII"			
<u>April</u>				
6	<b>Barony of Aarquelle</b> "Aarquelle Baronial Defender"	Lady Otama & Lady Murienn		
20	<b>Kingdom of the Outlands</b> "Spring Crown Tournament & Spring Faire"	Safiyya bint Faris al-Dani		
31 - 6	<u>May</u> Barony of Caer Galen "Die Turniere in der Gurkenschlucht"	.Master Wolfgang & Master Siegfried		

#### **Upcoming Kingdom Events 2024**

March 23	"Kingdom A&S Competition"	
April 20-21	"Kingdom of the Outlands Crown Tournament"	Barony of Unser Hafen
July 4 <sup>th</sup> (Week of)	"Battlemoor" –	Kingdom of the Outlands
July 20-21	"Kingdom of the Outlands Coronation"	Barony of al-Barran
September- 21	"Kingdom A&S Collegium"	Barony of Dragonsspine
October 19-20	"Kingdom of the Outlands Crown Tournament"	Barony of Caer Galen

To get your events listed here, please refer to the Submission Guidelines below. Local populace gatherings are listed with the local group information on pages 14.

#### How to list an Outlands Event in order to have official business:

Begin your journey at https://www.outlands.org/resources/members/resources-for-events/

You must submit the Submission form complete and it it's entirety to the Kingdom Calendar Deputy.

Next please use https://portal.outlands.org/forms/event which will submit your event to the Kingdom Chronicler, Kingdom Webminister and the Social Media Deputy.

<u>To Publish in the Outlandish Herald</u>: The event article is due NO LATER than the 1st day of the month BEFORE the article is to run. For example, an article for the September Outlandish Herald is due no later than August 1st. NO EXCEPTIONS!

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Outlands Royalty Fjolverker & Melissa King and Queen crown@outlands.org



Greetings of peace and WAAAAAR to the almighty Outlands!

The last two months of WAAAAAAR and revelry have resulted in many tales of valiant individuals throughout Our Kingdom. Gathering with Our good cousins to stoke the fires of Our familial connections, alongside making numerous new friends leave us filled with joy. In these tales, heroes emerge, their deeds etched in the annals of time. They are the servants who tend to their families, the combatants who charge fearlessly into the heart of the enemy, the commanders who rally their troops with unwavering resolve, and the champions who stand defiant against overwhelming odds. As We bore witness to other Kingdoms, We will say this- Without training, they lacked knowledge. Without knowledge, they lacked confidence. Without confidence, they lacked victory. But not Us. The great Kingdom of the Outlands were victorious time and time again! We shall retell these heroic tales of fearlessness and companionship so that the generations to come will always remember this time shared.

The arts have also been harnessed to rally support for the war efforts driving innovation and advancement off the battlefield. From the deployment and creation of Weaponry to capturing tales of adventures within a scroll, these gentles have reshaped the nature of conflict and the conduct of war. The relentless pursuit of scientific knowledge has altered our course of history and at times, the outcome of wars.

As We look into the future, We will soon host Our Crown Tournament. We hold a mixture of anticipation and pride as Our populace gathers from across Our realm to compete for this most prestigious honor. We will share with you this- steady your mind, steady your soul, steady your weapons. Bring your endurance. Endurance is the silent companion to any journey. This unwavering resolve propels you forward in the face of adversity and challenges. It is the inner strength that allows us to continue when the path ahead seems long and arduous and the destination feels distant and uncertain. You will need mental resilience, emotional fortitude and spiritual tenacity. The ability to weather storms of doubt to push through fatigue and exhaustion will prepare you to emerge stronger on the other side.

Trust in your own ability to persevere as consort and as fighter.

Believe in yourself as We believe in you.

With all Our love,

Fjolverkr and Melissa

The Outlandish Herald

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#### From the Desk of the DEIB Officer:

Hail and Hello Mighty Outlands! I hope that winter has not been too harsh to you and yours, and that you are all well.

It has been some time since a missive has come from myself, and for that I apologize. As we all know, mundane life can be a kick in the teeth, but I am glad to report that as far as DEIB goes in the kingdom, we are doing great!

Our web minister, Graf Iohann, has created an excellent portal for officer reports that you can access from the kingdom website: <u>https://portal.outlands.org/</u> I have received reports from seneschals regarding the state of DEIB in their groups, and I very much appreciate the efforts!

On the same note, if your group has a DEIB officer or someone has an interest in that position, please have them contact me and Her Excellency Ayse (<u>dei@outlands.org</u> and <u>sene-schal@outlands.org</u> specifically).

We are making some changes to how DEIB in the kingdom will be run! We now have three regional DEIB positions: Southern, Central and Northern. These regional officers will assist local groups and DEIB officers in their region, and in turn report to me.

Our Southern Regional Officer is Magistrate Lorinc Otog, which covers Citadel, Nahrun, White Mountain and Blackwater Keep. He can be reached at southerndeib@outlands.org.

Our Central Regional Officer is Domina Aurelia Salutia, which covers al-Barran, Drygestan, Aarquelle, Fontaine Dan Sable, Blaiddwyn, Golias, Rio De Las Animas, Draca Mor and Bryngolau. She can be contacted at centraldeib@outlands.org.

Our Northern Regional Officer Position is still open! The Northern Regional Officer will be responsible for assisting the following groups: Dragonsspine, Caerthe, Caer Galen, Unser Hafen, Plattefordham and Windkeep. If you are interested in the position, please contact myself and Her Excellency Ayse at the emails above. You do not have to already be a local officer for this position, you just need to reside in the aforementioned region. Any questions regarding what these positions entail can also be sent to me.

Battlemoor is coming! We are excited to announce that there will be two coordinators regarding DEIB at the event. The Accessibility Coordinator will be responsible for assisting with things such as shuttle stops, appropriate signage for handicap restrooms, accessibility concerns for revels, classes and tournaments, and more. The DEIB Coordinator will be responsible for working with the Battlemoor staff to make the event even more welcoming and diverse, assisting with programming, hospitality and more. These positions are in the process of being filled and will be announced soon.

While many of us were attending Winter Coronation, the kingdom of An Tir hosted a virtual DEIB Collegium, with 40 classes covering various topics. The classes were recorded, and have been uploaded to YouTube, with updates to the playlist of each recording. I've included the link to said playlist below, and encourage everyone to watch any of the videos that interest you (a popular one is the History of Clan Bluefeather!).

https://youtube.com/playlist?

<u>list=PL5BZKac6z6r tG7IxNyzy 37nLlvCSADQ&si=qePW41EM</u> <u>W3Jk3LgM</u>

I want to extend my gratitude once again to everyone who has been supportive of DEIB in our kingdom and in the Society as a whole. It's thanks to all of you that my job is easier.

My special thanks goes out to His Grace Mordygan and Her Excellency Ymanie, for being behind my office one hundred percent. I am excited to see where we go in the future with His Royal Majesty Fjolverkr and Her Royal Majesty Melissa, as they are also ready and willing to support me and all the officers who make this kingdom the best it can be.

I remain ever in your service, great Outlands.

Lord Hardwin DEIB Officer

#### From the Ministry of Arts & Sciences:

#### Beloved Outlands!

Competition is upon us! It is so exciting for our Arts and Sciences community to have this opportunity for gathering, competing and exploration.

Even if you're not entering Kingdom A&S, please join us to support our artisans and judges. Not everyone who attends Crown tournaments is a combatant to become heir and the same applies for any event, come be apart of the community.

This missive may arrive early to many of you so let me reiterate some dates: Registration of your entry must have been received by February 23rd and research papers must have been entered by the 23rd and then received to me (via email) by March 1st. There is still plenty of time to register for the event and consider being one of our judges!! The links to all of the above information can be found at Outlands.org.

Additionally, artisans, I hope you consider competing for Outlands A&S Champion! Our Champion combatants will have three complete projects in a minimum of two different categories. If you don't have three projects ready yet, there is time to work on them for next year!!

I can't wait to see what this mighty kingdom has been working on and creating this last year and I hope you will join me in the enthusiasm.

Yours in camaraderie and service: Mistress Rannvaeig



#### From the Royal Outlands Interkingdom University:

Greetings Outlanders!

You may have heard talk of an Outlands University, where you can receive credit for taking or teaching classes of all types, with the eventual reward of degrees such as Doctor or Professor of the University.

The ROIU is alive and well and can be found at <u>roiu.outlands.org.</u> However, there's been a lot of confusion about the ROIU. I will be writing a series of articles for The Outlandish Herald, Facebook, Discord, the ROIU website, and anywhere else I can think to post them—starting with this one! —to help explain how the ROIU works and what you need to do to participate.

The first step is to Register. Even if you're not taking classes or teaching classes now, and you aren't sure you're ever going to take or teach a class, it's quick and easy to register with the University, just in case you're out at an event and someone is teaching something cool that catches your eye.

To register, just visit ROIU.Outlands.org and click the "Register Now" button. The form requires only your Modern & amp; SCA Names, an email address, the Kingdom where you reside (if you're reading this, that's probably the Outlands!), and a username & amp; password that you will make up. You can also enter your local branch, phone number, and SCA membership number if you like. Then you click Submit. Within a few days (depending on how busy we are), a member of the ROIU Board of Regents will finalize your registration and you'll receive an email from ROIU@Outlands.org. After that, you're in!

Next time: when and how to submit a class—whether you're the student or the teacher!

In the meantime, please let us know if you have any questions! You can email ROIU@Outlands.org, or visit our Facebook group. (We are also working on adding a channel to the Outlands Discord server!) (If you aren't able or willing to sign up online, we also have paper forms which we will provide upon request.)

Thank you, and happy learning!

Timothy O'Brien, OP Dean of the Royal Outlands Interkingdom University



#### Feast of the Valkyries

*Shire of Plattefordham* Site Opens: Saturday, March 2, 2024 9:00 AM Site Closes: Saturday, March 2, 2024 6:00 PM

Converse County Library - Glenrock Branch Meeting Hall 518 S 4th Street Glenrock, Wyoming. 82637 Event Steward: Ailith Dreki (Kelly Christian) ailidhdreki@hotmail.com

> Adult \$10 ‡ Adult Member: \$5 Child (15 and under): Free

SITE IS DISCREETLY WET

As the Valkyrie moon rises, you are invited to join His Majesty, Fjolverkr the Red, as he rides to the Northernmost reaches of The Outlands—his flaming beard a beacon of the coming warmth of Spring.

Celebrate in joyous pursuits – be it the cards of luck (cribbage) or the game of Kings (chess), a stomach-pleasing dessert auction to fill the Kingdom Travel coffers (1), music, revelry, heral-dic pursuits, and a warming potluck feast2.

The Shire of Plattefordham will provide meat and/or fish dishes for all to enjoy, and we ask that you bring your favorite side dish (2) to contribute to the spread. Bring your bowl, plate, and mug and fill them as full as we fill your hearts during this day of friendship and gathering. The site is discretely wet.

Anticipated schedule: 9:00 a.m. Site opens 10:00 a.m. Chess and cribbage challenges begin 12:30 p.m. Dessert auction (1) 3:00 p.m. Potluck feast 6:00 p.m. Site closes Court will occur at the pleasure of His Majesty.

Additionally, THL Andreas von Meißen has generously offered his time for heraldic consultation during the day!

(1) payments for gate and the dessert auction must be cash or check (payable to SCA, Inc. Shire of Plattefordham)– credit cards will not be accepted.

(2) please ensure a list of ingredients for your dish is available at the table. 3x5 cards and writing implements will be available on-site, if needed.

#### Kingdom Arts and Sciences Competition, A.S. LVIII

*Kingdom of the Outlands* Site Opens: Saturday, March 23, 2024 7:30 am Site Closes: Saturday, March 23, 2024 5:30 pm

Deer Creek Middle School 9201 W. Columbine Drive, Littleton, CO 80128 Event Stewart : THL Hannah de Avila scahannah@gmail.com Adult \$25 ‡ Adult Member: \$20 Youth (15 and under): Free Site is Dry

#### Site has a zero tolerance NO WEAPONS policy

(An off-site location is available for judging brewing and crafted weapons entries.)

Come join us as the Outlands celebrates our artisans and scientists and we shall see the best that the Outlands has to offer. This event is open to anyone who creates and everyone who loves to celebrate those who do. Help us showcase all the beauty that the Outlands can create AND celebrate the next Outlands Arts and Sciences champion!

Lunch is included in your site fee. A medieval Egyptian dayboard will be provided by the talented Mistress Liepa! We will have a brass bowl for optional donations to benefit the Kingdom Travel fund. If you have special dietary needs or expect to be exceptionally busy you are encouraged to request a labelled sack lunch. Please email Liepa at: lyndyn29@gmail.com

#### Competition Registration Deadline February 23, 2024.

Competitor pre-registration is required to compete in the Arts and Science competition - please register here: https:// www.outlands.org/resources/kingdom-arts-sciencescompetition-information Note: if you are entering a research paper you must submit that paper to the Kingdom Minister of Arts and Sciences by March 1st, 2024 at artsandsciences@outlands.org If you are not entering, please consider volunteering to be a entry judge by March 21, 2024 Site pre-registration via SCORES opens December 15th, 2023 and closes March 4th, 2024. The event website will be updated with that information soon. \*PLEASE NOTE that the SCORES site pre-registration is separate from the competition entry registration. Site fee is not included in competition entry and entrants are required to be in attendance for the event. Preliminary Schedule 7:30 AM Site opens 9:00 AM Opening court 9:15 AM Entrant Meeting 9:30 AM Judges Meeting 10:00 AM Judging Starts 2:30 PM Judging ends 4:00 PM Court 5:30 PM Site Closes Note: All events and times are subject to change



Aarquelle Baronial Defender

*Barony of Aaquelle* Site Opens: Saturday, April 6, 2024 9:00 am Site Closes: Saturday, April 6, 2024 5:30 pm

Minnequa Lake Park 1801 W Pueblo BLVD, Pueblo, CO 81004 Site is **FREE** Event Stewart: Lady Otama Drengjmordir (Ashley Ward) <u>ashmarieward.5@gmail.com</u> Lady Muirenn an Liath (Elle Shahade) <u>muirenn.an.liath@gmail.com</u>

#### Site is DRY

It is time for Aarquelle to choose their Martial Defenders! Join us in a day of fighting and friendship. A defender will be chosen from both Heavy and Rapier tournaments. Pop-ups and sun shades are welcome. Stakes must be under 10 inches long. Lunch will not be provided but you are welcome to Picnic in the park.

Aarquelle's Chatelaine, Lady Solvieg Stephenson will be set up to assist anyone wanting to learn more about us. as well as, have Loaner Garb available.

Site fee includes meals! A potluck dinner will be hosted on Friday evening, a Feast on Saturday evening, Breakfast for Saturday and Sunday and Lunch on Sunday are included with the site fee. Saturday's lunch will be a donation for the Kingdom Travel Fund.

Bring your fire pits for evening outdoor revels

A full activity schedule and details for Merchants are in the works so please keep an eye on our website or follow this event on Facebook for further developments!

Event Web Page https://unserhafen.wixsite.com/unserhafen/aprilcrown

#### Die Turniere in der Gurkenschlucht – "The Tournaments at Cucumber Gorge"

Barony of Caer Galen Site Opens: Friday, May 31, 2024 3:00 pm Site Closes: Monday, June 3, 2024 12:00 pm

Pickle Gulch Campground Missouri Gulch Rd. Black Hawk, Colorado. 80422 Adult \$30 Camping ‡ Adult Member Camping: \$20 Adult \$25 Day Trip ‡ Adult Member Day Trip: \$15 Youth (17 and under): Free

Event Stewarts: Master Wolfgang Sebastian Kohlhammer (Gary Cole) donvulfie@yahoo.com Master Siegfried Stern (John Rechtoris)

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#### Site is WET

In the lofty crags above the splendor that is Caer Galen lies a glen that is purported to imbue warriors with the strength of ten men, and the courage of a hundred! Come, make camp under the tall pines and witness the clash of steel and marvel as fighters vie for honor and glory that is Die Turniere in der Gurkenschluct!

#### Spring Crown Tournament & Spring Faire

*Kingdom of the Outlands* Site Opens: Friday, April 19, 2024 12:00 pm Site Closes: Sunday, April 21, 2024 8:00 pm

Southeast Weld County Fairgrounds 7758 CR 59 Keenesburg, Colorado. 80643 Adult<sup>\*</sup> All Weekend \$40 ‡ Adult Member All Weekend \$30 Adult Day Trip<sup>\*\*</sup> \$30 ‡ Adult Member Day Trip \$20 Merchant Fee - \$35 Saturday Feast: \$10 \*Adult fee applies to all attendees aged 16 or older. Any one 15 and under gets in FREE. \*\*Day Trip fees valid for entry on one day ONLY. Event Stewart: Safiyya bint Faris al-Dani (Joshi Solomon-Freville) baroness.safiyya@unserhafen.org

Andreas Von Meißen (Andrew R. Mizener) andreas.von.meissen@gmail.com

#### Site is Wet

Gather one and all to bear witness with Their Majesties as stalwart combatants test their skill to become the next Heirs of the Stag Throne. Stay for games, revelry, archery, arts, the Princess Protector Tourney and a War Practice! Ô

# FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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

The Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc. (SCA, Inc.) is announcing an increase in membership fees and nonmember registration fees for events.

This decision comes after careful consideration and extensive discussion among the Board of Directors, office staff, and Corporate officers. The effects of inflation across all sectors of operation, as well as other factors impacting the organization's operational costs, including insurance premiums, legal expenses, and general business expenses, necessitated a comprehensive review of membership rates.

Annual membership fees have not been adjusted in over a dozen years, and non-member registration fees have not increased in over 15 years.

In response to the evolving financial environment, the organization streamlined operations during the 2020 COVID-19 pandemic and significantly reduced corporate expenditures. The relocation of the office to San Jose, CA resulted in an annual savings of over \$35,000, and upgrades to software and CRM systems have netted a further savings of over \$100,000 annually. While membership numbers have rebounded post-pandemic, operational costs continue to rise.

SCA, Inc. Corporate is solely funded by membership fees, including the Non-Member Registration fee, and does not currently seek operational funds from its Kingdoms or subsidiary organizations, including those overseeing Pennsic and Gulf Wars.

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 permonth 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 April 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.

Both Sustaining and International Membership allow subscriptions to printed publications, as well as the ability to add Family memberships.

It should be noted that these increases remain less than the cumulative U.S. inflation increase of 36.5% which has occurred since 2011. (Data calculated using the US Inflation Calculator).

SCA, Inc. emphasizes its commitment to transparency and sustaining a vibrant community. These fee adjustments aim to ensure the organization's fiscal health, support ambitious initiatives in 2024 and beyond, and keep the Knowne World thriving and dreaming for years to come.

For more information, please contact John Fulton at president@sca.org.

Comments are strongly encouraged and can be sent to:

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P.O. Box 611928 San Jose, CA. 95161

You may also email:

SCA-comments@sca.org.

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Currently approximately 8000 people around the Knowne World actively participate in target archery, combat archery, siege weapons, thrown weapons and equestrian martial activities. While no ultimate decision has yet been made the Board believes that a proposal of a path to peerage for these individuals is worthy of deep consideration. Having received advice from the Peerage Committee, Directors have discussed the matter and following some minor amendments to language which align the proposed draft of Corpora wording to the existing patent orders, the Board feels that the proposal has matured to the point where commentary on the proposed Corpora wording from members is requested. This commentary will assist the Board in forming further decisions relevant to its consideration of this matter.

#### The draft Corpora language approved for commentary is:

VIII.A.4:

e. The Order of <Name>

(i) Members of the Order of <Name> may choose to swear fealty but are not required to do so. The candidate must have attained the standard of excellence in skill and/or knowledge equal to that of their prospective peers in a pre-17th century martial pursuit as practiced in the SCA, including, and limited to, target archery, combat archery, thrown weapons, equestrian activities, and siege engineers. The candidate must have applied this skill and/or knowledge for the instruction of members and service to the kingdom to an extent above and beyond that normally expected of members of the Society.

(ii) The duties of the members of the order are as follows:

(a) To set an example of courtesy and chivalrous conduct on and off the field of honor.

(b) To respect the Crown of the kingdom; to support and uphold the laws of the kingdom and Corpora.

(c) If in fealty, to support and uphold the Crown of their kingdom.

(d) To enrich the kingdom by sharing their knowledge and skills.

(e) To enhance the renown and defend the honor of the peer's Lady or Lord.

(f) To advise the Crown on the advancement of candidates for the Order of <Name>.

(other sections re-numbered as needed)

Knowing exactly what the people who work, study, and play in the Society want a potential new peerage to achieve and do will be key to moving forward in this discussion. The Board welcomes any additional context that people feel may be of use to the discussion.

We are looking for your feedback – as you begin to type up your comments please feel free to include your thoughts on the following questions:

Does this language fill the gap I personally feel exists in the paths to peerage, why or why not?

What is my ideal vision of a new peerage and its members? What virtue will they embody?

EDIT: If you are a financial member of the SCA, please include the relevant information.

The expertise of our community is invaluable, and these responses will contribute significantly to an outcome that positions our Society to meet its goals and future opportunities.

Corpora, including the By-Laws, can be found in its entirety here: https://www.sca.org/resources/document-library/govdocs/.

Please email all commentary to SCA-Comments@sca.org and use the title "Omnibus Peerage Proposal" in the subject line.

NOTE: Do not use attachments in your commentary. Attachments will mark your message as spam and it will be rejected by the server.

You can also send commentary by mail, Postage-Prepaid, to:

Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc.

RE: Omnibus Peerage Proposal

P.O. Box 611928

San Jose, CA 95161

Commentary regarding this proposed Corpora change, must be received by the Board no later than April 2, 2024.



#### COVER ART: **"Khusrau and Shirin"** Poet Hatifi Iranian, active Istanbul Calligraphy, illumination, and painting by Suzi dated 904 AH/1498–99 CE

This manuscript is a copy of the tale of Khusrau and Shirin composed by the Persian poet Hatifi, and shows the importance of Persian literature in the Ottoman world. It contains seven paintings, executed in a distinctive style, related to western Iranian tradition from the Aq Quyunlu, but also borrowing elements from European sources. The page shown depicts Khusrau riding on Shabdiz, his beautiful horse, while hunting. The calligraphy, illumination, gilding, and painting were completed by a single artist calling himself Suzi ("the burning one").



### Currently Schedule Board of Directors Meetings

\*PLEASE NOTE: The Board of Directors is considering the possibility of a return to live meetings in late 2023. Groups interested in hosting a meeting should contact the Executive Assistant (ea@sca.org) for information on meeting requirements and how to submit a bid.

January 28, 2024 Quarterly Board Meeting – Virtual (Tentative) April 21, 2024 Quarterly Board Meeting – Virtual (Tentative) July 21, 2024 Quarterly Board Meeting – Virtual (Tentative) October 20, 2024 Quarterly Board Meeting – Virtual (Tentative)

## Local Groups and Their Activities in the Outlands

To publish local activities published, please send information to the Kingdom Chronicler at *chronicler@outlands.org*. By publishing this information, the Crown or Baronial Coronet may bestow awards at these activities.

Aarquelle (Barony), Pueblo, CO
 Seneschal: THL Unna Farulfsdottir (aka Jaye Sudar) seneschal@aarquelle.outlands.org 719-680-6249
 Combat Practice: SUN, 11AM @ Mineral Palace Park, 1500 N Santa Fe Drive, Pueblo
 Populace Meeting: Our Folkmoot (business meeting) is on the 2nd Wednesday of the month. We hold it at 6:30pm via Zoom.
 A&S WED 6-8 at the Pueblo West Library

al-Barran (Barony), Albuquerque, south to Belen, east to Moriarty, north to Algodones, NM

Seneschal: Sir Jose Tabernaa De Torquemada (Joe Martinez)

seneschal@al-barran.outlands.org **Fighter Practice:** Sunday, 10am - 2pm, Altura Park (4249 Aspen Ave NE, ABQ, NM) Wednesday. 5:30pm - 8pm, Inez Park (2027 Wisconsin St. NE, ABQ, NM)

**Populace Meeting:** Summer: Third Sunday of the month November thru Spring: Third Saturday of the month

**Archery:** Contact archerycaptain@al-barran.outlands.org Details of all A&S, Martial practices, or any meeting dates, times, and locations, or changes to the above can be found published on --- https://al-barran.emmw.net/ Activities

Blackwater Keep (Shire), Clovis/Cannon AFB and Portales, NM

**Seneschal:** Ava of Blackwater Keep (Ava Cotta ) seneschal@blackwaterkeep.outlands.org **Populace Meeting:** contact Seneschal **Fighter Practice:** contact Seneschal

Blaiddwyn (College), University of New Mexico, within al-Barran Seneschal: Sayyida Zahira bint Ali CTO: SCA@unm.edu

Bryngolau (Shire), Los Alamos, NM

**Seneschal:** Meistr Llywus ap Alan (Bryan L Bennett), seneschal@bryngolau.org **Populace Meeting:** First Tuesday of the month, Mesa

Library meeting room

Caer Galen (Barony), Boulder County, CO
Seneschal: Mistress Asta Olafsdottir (Kari Hammons) seneschal@caergalen.org
Populace Meeting: First Tuesday of the month
Folkmoots: Second Tuesday of the month
Fighter Practice: Tuesdays, 6PM;
Fall/Winter @ Boulder County Fairgrounds, corner of Nelson and Hover, Longmont;
Spring/Summer @ Roosevelt Park, SW corner, 700 Longs Peak Ave, Longmont, CO 80501
Equestrian Practice: 3rd SUN, 10AM; HBarC Ranch, 2400
Blue Mountain Ave, Berthoud, CO
Archery: Sunday 9AM—11AM at Empty Quiver 7180 W 117th Ave Unit C Broomfield CO 80020

Caerthe (Barony), Denver metro area, CO Seneschal: Dianna Doria (Dianna Doria) seneschal@caerthe-sca.org

**Populace Meeting:** 1st MON, 6:30 PM, see www.caerthesca.org for rotating location

Fighter Practice: Thursdays 6pm until dark Centennial Park 4630 S Decatur St, Englewood, CO 80110

Populace Gathering concurrent with practice on every 3rd Thursday

**Collegi:** 1st Monday of each Month @ Fighter Practice: A monthly semi-formal gathering. All are welcome! Come in garb!

Citadel of the Southern Pass (Barony), El Paso &

Hudspeth Counties, TX Seneschal: THL Emrys ap Gwalchmei (Fox Y. Whitworth) seneschal@southernpass.org Populace Meeting: 3rd SUN, 10:00 AM @ Album Park, 3001 Parkwood, El Paso Archery Practice: On hold Fighter Practice: SUN, 10:00 AM @ Album Park, 3001 Parkwood, El Paso Officer Meeting: Currently on-line more information http://southernpass.org

Draca Mor (Shire) Grand Junction, CO Seneschal: Annys Wolf of Wharram Percy (Hope Allyson Dwiggins) annyswolf@gmail.com Populace Meeting: 2nd WED private home Fighter Practice: TBD

#### Dragonsspine (Barony), Colorado Springs, CO

Seneschal: Lady Sorcha MacGillavrey 719-494-5938 (Text preferred) <u>seneschal@dragonsspine.org</u>

**Dragonmoot:** (A&S/Dance/Classes): 2nd and 4th Wednesday 5:30-7:30, East Library, 5550 N Union Blvd, 80918.

**Populace Meeting**: 2nd Monday via Zoom. Please see website for link

#### **Martial Practice Sundays:**

**Winter**: Heavy/Rapier/Archery: 5:00 - 7:00 pm Archery School of the Rockies, 2110 Busch Ave, Colorado Springs, CO 80904.

In the event of inclement weather, cancellations will be announced on the Facebook page.

**Equestrian Practice**: 4th Sunday, 10-2. Held on private property. Please contact the seneschal for the address.

#### Drygestan (Shire), Santa Fe, NM

**Seneschal:** Thorgrimr of Rivenoak (Dana Gorbet) tubatitan8888@gmail.com, (530)403-7440 Text preferred **Populace Meeting:** 1st WED, 6:30PM — Southside Santa Fe south side Library

Fighter Practice: TUE—contact Knight Marshal for location

Arts & Sciences: Time and Location varies—contact Seneschal

#### Fontaine dans Sable (Shire), Farmington, NM

Seneschal: Mistress Alamanda de la Roca fontaineseneschal@gmail.com
Populace Meeting: 1st SUN, 1PM, Brookside Park, 1801
Brookside Dr, Farmington, NM
Fighter Practice: SUN @ 1PM, Brookside Park, 1801
Brookside Dr, Farmington, NM

#### Nahrun Kabirun (Shire) Las Cruces, NM

Seneschal: Lady Arnora Ulfvaldsdottir (Sarah Mesler) velniratanke@gmail.com Populace Meeting: first THUR, 7:30PM, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 518 N Alameda Boulevard, Las Cruces Fighter Practice: check www.nahrunkabirun.org for the most current info.

Arts & Sciences Gatherings: THUR, 6-9PM, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 518 N Alameda Boulevard, Las Cruces Archery Practice: SAT, 9AM (summer), 11AM (winter), San Andres High, 2355 Avenida de Mesilla, Mesilla www.nahrunkabirun.org for any updates or changes.

## Plattefordham (Shire), Casper, WY

Seneschal: Lady Sharon of the Roses Seneschal@plattefordham.outlands.org Populace Meeting: 3rd Friday of the Month Fighter Practice: SUN, @ 2pm in Casper, WY, location dependent on weather, Rio de las Animas (Shire), Durango, CO Seneschal: Master Carloman Macht Populace Meeting / Fighter Practice: 1st SUN, 1PM @ Riverholde — contact Seneschal

Saint Golias (College), Socorro, NM (New Mexico Tech) Seneschal: Reinhard es.golias.senechal@gmail.com Faculty Advisor: Maria Theresa Sanchez de Garcia (Theresa Boracci) tboracci@gmail.com (575) 835-1632 Populace Meeting: 1st & 3rd SAT 10 am on the lawn by the NMT library

**Fighter Practice:** Most SAT on the lawn by the NMT library 10ish to 2ish

**Unser Hafen** (Barony), Larimer/Logan/Morgan/Weld Counties, CO

**Seneschal:** Eithne ingen Fhaelain Duib (Claire Turney) seneschal@unserhafen.org

#### **Unser Hafen Fighter Practice Sundays**

Jan 28 thru Mar 24, 2024, Sundays 2 to 5 pm CSU Glenn Morris Fieldhouse, 901 S College Ave, Fort Collins There is something for everyone. Heavy, Rapier, and Cut & Thrust at the same practice. Artisans and courtiers are encouraged to attend.

**Unser Hafen Archery** is held in Fort Collins or Windsor on the third or fourth Saturday of the month

## Populace & Planning meeting (third Wednesday of the month)

Virtual meeting through Spring 2024 Please check the Unser Hafen calendar for location, dates, and times for all of our meetings, activities & events. <u>http://unserhafen.org/calendar</u>

#### White Mountain (Shire), Alamogordo, NM

**Seneschal:** Lord Mingus O'Brien (mka Brian Magee) **Populace Meeting:** 3rd SUN@ Alameda Park, White Sands Boulevard, Alamogordo

**Fighter Practice:** SUN 2-4PM (winter) or 4-6PM (summer) @ Alameda Park, White Sands Boulevard, Alamogordo **Archery Practice:** 2nd and 4th SUN, contact Lord Kevin, kevin@2slow4u.info

Windkeep (Shire), Cheyenne, F.E. Warren AFB, Laramie County and Albany County, Wyoming Seneschal: Aldyth Trefaldwyn (Deborah Hammons) Mistressaldyth@gmail.com For all meetings, contact the Seneschal.

