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A Missive from Their Royal Majesties

Pnto the fair and noble populace of Meridies do We, Barthelemy and Oda, send greetings and warm tidings as the chill of winter embraces Our lands.

As the year wanes and the nights grow longer, We reflect upon the honor, service, and valor demonstrated by each of you throughout this year. Whether upon the field of battle, in the quiet halls of scribes, or through the sharing of skills in the arts and sciences, you have exemplified the spirit of our Kingdom. Your dedication to fostering the Dream is an inspiration to all.

The festive season is now upon us, and it is a time to gather in joy and camaraderie. In the coming weeks, We encourage you to celebrate the bonds that unite us—be it through feasting, storytelling, or simply sharing laughter around the hearth. Let these moments remind us that, despite the trials we may face, our strength lies in our community.

But even as we rejoice, We look toward the horizon, for the winds of war are stirring. It is Our great honor to announce that Meridies shall stand as steadfast allies of the Stellar Kingdom of Ansteorra in the days to come. Their cause is just, their strength great, and their friendship invaluable. Together, We shall forge a bond that will shine brighter than the sun and endure through the ages.

Yet such an alliance requires the might and skill of all Meridies. We call upon every warrior to gird themselves for battle, every artisan to prepare works that inspire and elevate, and every volunteer to lend their hands and hearts. Let no corner of Our Kingdom remain silent, for your service is the lifeblood of this endeavor. Whether you wield a sword, quill, or hammer, your contributions will shape the glory that is to come.

As the new year approaches, let us turn our thoughts to the future. The kingdom calendar brims with promise: grand tournaments to test mettle and honor, collegia to expand our knowledge, and opportunities to deepen friendships both old and new. We look forward to seeing your banners unfurl, your songs rise in chorus, and your deeds bring honor to the Crown and our newfound alliance.

Lastly, let Us remind you that while the cold may bite, warmth can always be found in the kindness we extend to one another. Seek out those in need, offer your aid freely, and let no soul feel the sting of isolation. Together, as one Kingdom, we will shine brighter than the stars that grace the night sky.

May this Yuletide bring you peace and joy, and may the blessings of the season be upon you and your hearth.

Ever in Service, Barthelemy, King Oda, Queen



A Missive from Their Royal Highnesses

Unto the populous of Meridies comes the warmest of greetings from Lochlainn and Paraskova, Prince and Princess of Meridies. We trust this missive finds you all well and warm as the winter chill descends across our Kingdom.

By the time this message reaches you, the holiday season will be a memory. We truly hope that you enjoyed the time that you spent with friends and family. We hope that, however you celebrated, all your holiday wishes came true.

Drums of War beat loudly to the south. We bid you all to sharpen your blades, strap your shields, refresh your spears and make ready your bows. Trimaris is invading our fair lands. Gather your allies and your households, and meet Us on the field at Panhandle Skirmishes to stop them from advancing further. We call on all Meridian fighters and archers to test your mettle against the Trimaran foe.

There are many opportunities for the fighter and artisan to show up and show out over the next few months. We look forward to seeing the bounty of talent this Kingdom has to offer. There will also be many opportunities for service. Remember, the Society is built on the backs of our volunteers. From washing dishes and stocking toilet paper to running tournament cards and serving feast, people are needed to help events run smoothly. There are many opportunities, regardless of your skill set. You may even find something new that you like to do.

Be kind. Give grace. Have fun.

For love of the game,





Lochlainn, Prince

Paraskova, Princess

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The Kingdom Chatelaine is in need of a Deputy. The time commitment is a minimum of 3-5 hours a month, I hope you do more.

Tasks include:

- answering emails quickly
- being available to answer questions
- connecting people to others with answers
- being active on social media

Consider taking on this role if you...

- love people
- Like to have fun
- Are certain you can and will be a member for at least the next 3 years
- Are willing to use Google mail and other applications
- Have or will have a deputy for your current office that can take over
- You have read Kingdom Law and Corpora

Please send resumes to chatelaine@merdies.org and a copy to Seneschal@meridies.org by Feburary 1, 2025.

Yours in Service,

is in Randa

Kingdom Chatelaine

Quarterly Board Meeting:

January 25 and 26, 2025 April 12 and 13, 2025 July 12 and 13, 2025 October 18 and 19, 2025

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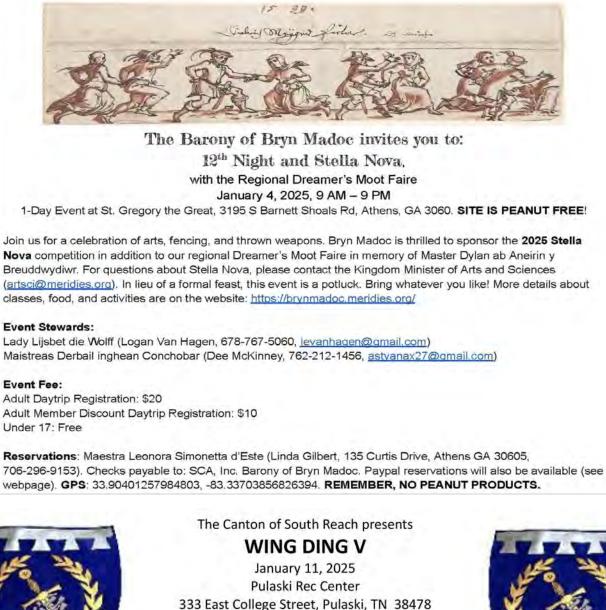
 \rightarrow LIVE, QUARTERLY MEETINGS ARE HELD ON SATURDAYS TO ACCOMMODATE NECESSARY TRAVEL.

→ SATURDAY MEETINGS WILL STILL BE BOTH STREAMED LIVE AND RECORDED FOR VIEWING AT A LATER DATE. → ALL MEETING DATES ARE TENTATIVE AND SUBJECT TO POSSIBLE CHANGE

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.

Elevations, Events, Announcements



Classes! Fighting! Rummage sale! Activities for younglings! Wings for lunch! Probably other stuff that requires exclamation points! Don't miss out!



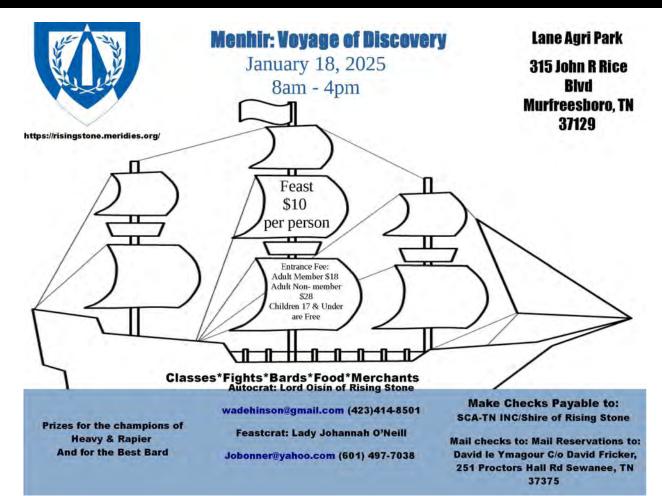
Site opens at 8:00 a.m., first class starts at 9:00 a.m., site closes at 5:30 p.m.

Directions from I-65: Take Exit 14 and head west on Highway 64 toward Pulaski. Turn right on East College Street and follow it until you reach the Rec Center on your left.

Site fee: \$23 per person, \$13 with member discount. Make checks payable to SCA-TN/Barony of Glaedenfeld.

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The Barony of South Downs presents:

MIDWINTER A&S 2025: A MIDWINTER'S TALE

February 1, 2025 : Wesley Way United Methodist Church, McDonough, GA. Site opens at 8:00 am EST and obses at 8:00 pm EST

Join us for a celebration of meativity and learning! Explore the Ares and Sciences Taire showcasing incredible talence and crafts! Dive in to a variety of engaging classes, including the lively and interactive Iron Corntredia. Whether you're a seasoned artism or a curious newcorres, this event has something magical for evenous?

For more info, go to so uthdowns meridies org/so uth downs events/midwinter-arts-and-sciences-2025/

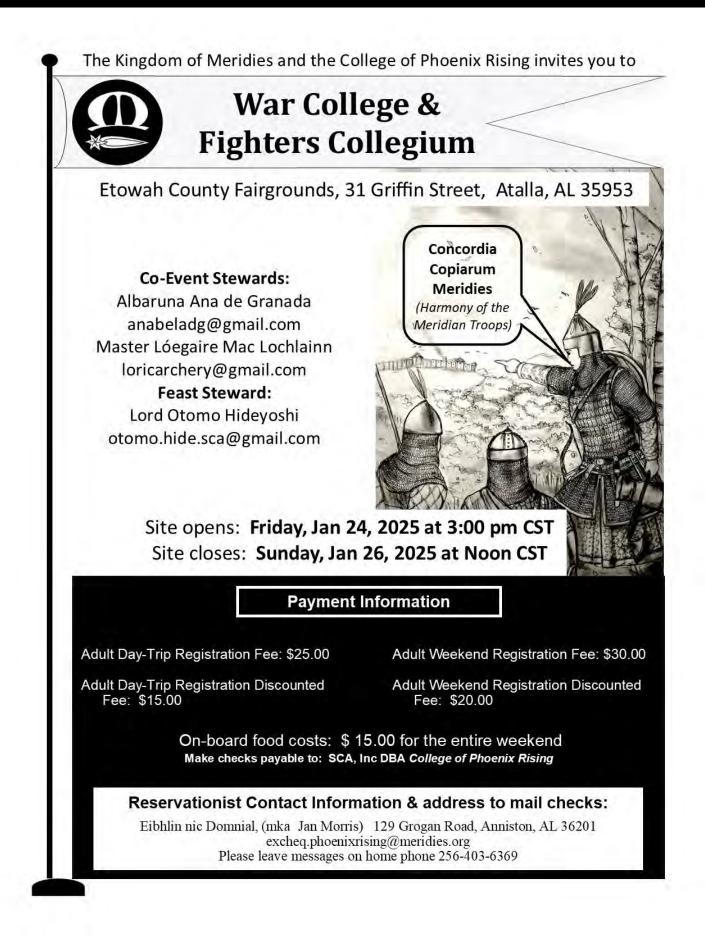
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Site: TLC Building, UWG campus. 210 W Georgia Dr, Carrollton GA 30117. Parking available across the street behind the University Bookstore. No unloading area available. The Shire of Depedale presents

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February 8, 2025, 8:30am to 6pm

Event Steward/ Reservationist

Dame Sibella Denton mka Dr. Heather Mbaye 111 Lisa Ln Carrollton GA 30117 badbaroness@gmail.com

Event is free!

All Orders of High Merit and Peerage Orders will meet at this event. At the Crown's will, we might have some other meetings, too. No fighting, no arts, no classes, no Court.

Only meetings. So many meetings.

Pre-register here: https://forms.gle/eFN2xA8RiTWUAsco9



Knights' Gambit

February 14 - 16, 2024 Dalwhinnie Fields 1515 Pine Flat Church Road Selma, AL 36701



Come join the **Shire of Thorngill** for one of the premier fighting events in Meridies! Show off your skills in the Robert Hightower Unbelted Classic, and then get the opportunity to train, one on one, with the **Knights**! Stay tuned for more details of activity schedule! Feast is sure to please. Come for the day or stay for the weekend. Camping included in site fee. Limited bunkhouse beds available for additional fee. Upper bunk is \$10 and Lower bunk is \$15. Site opens 5 pm Friday (Feb 14) and closes Sunday (Feb 16) at 11:00 am.

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Fees:	Before Jan 31, 2025		At the Doc	Knights &	
	Member	Non-Member	Member	Non-Member	17 & under
Daytrip	\$17.00	\$27.00	\$20.00	\$30.00	FREE
Weekend	\$23.00	\$33.00	\$25.00	\$35.00	FREE
FEAST	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00

Make checks payable to: SCA, Inc./Shire of Thorngill. Online will be available through 01/30/2025 via google form NOTE Checks and cash only at the door.

Directions: Make your best route to AL-14 W (West of Selma). Turn North onto County Rd 58 near mile marker 101. Dalwhinnie Fields will be approx. 1.5 miles down the road on the left.

Meridian Challenge of Arms February 21 - 23, 2025

1424 W Jackson Ave Suite A Chipley, FL 32428

Directions

Take I-10 FL to Exit 10 Turn N onto HWY 77 Turn Left onto Jackson Ave Turn Right onto McQuagge Creek

Site Opens 5:00pm Fri & Closes 10:00am Sun

Pricing

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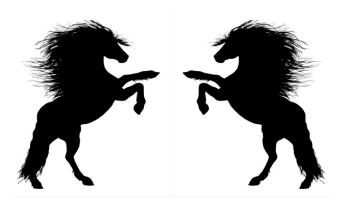
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ents	4	12th Night with Stella Nova A&S Faire	Barony of Bryn Madoc	Athens, GA	6				
	10—12	Panhandle Skirmishes	Kingdom of Trimaris	Alford, FL	NA				
	11	Wing Ding	Canton of South Reach	Pulaski, TN	6				
	18	Menhir	Shire of Rising Stone	TBA	7				
	24-26	Meridian War College /Fighters' Collegium	College of Phoenix Rising	Attalla, AL	8				
	February, 2025								
	1	Midwinter Arts and Sciences	Barony of the South Downs	ТВА	7				
	8	Folkgemot	Shire of Depedale	Carrollton, GA	9				
	15	Jour d' Amour	Shire of Drakenmere	TBA	NA				
	14-16	Knights Gambit	Shire of Thorngill	Selma, AL	9				
	21-23	Meridian Challenge of Arms	Kingdom of Meridies	Chipley, FL	10				
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