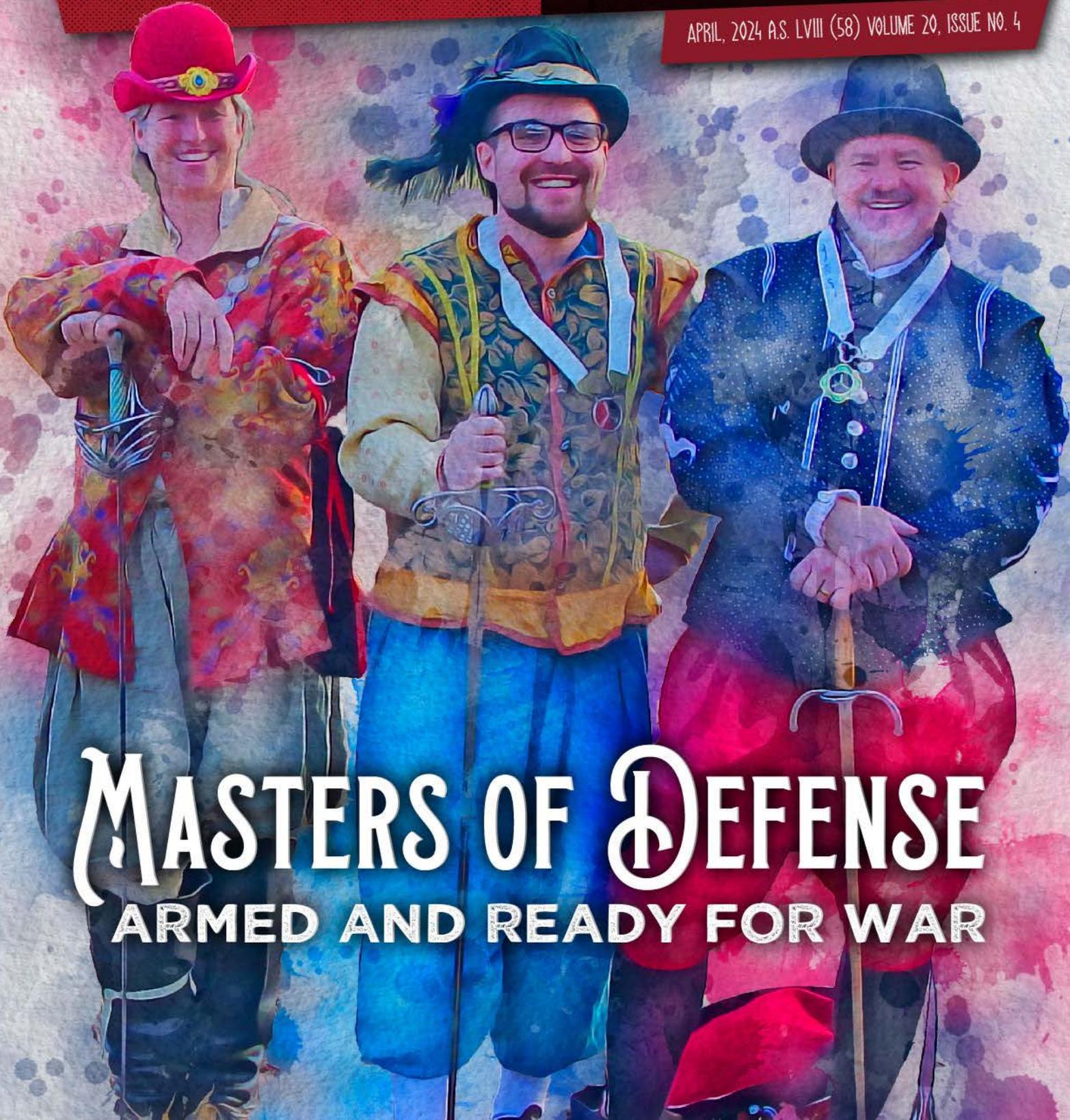


The Ambassador

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MASTERS OF DEFENSE

ARMED AND READY FOR WAR

From Their Majesties

Greetings to All Who Read these Words!
At the time of this missive, His Majesty and I have arrived at Gulf Wars where We will spend the next week enjoying the activities and events of The War with No Enemies.

We raise Our glasses to good times,
good friends, and good deeds!
We raise Our glasses to those who
cannot be with Us this year!
We raise Our glasses to Health and
Company of ALL! AWE HAIC!!

Take care and always keep honor and courtesy
above all.



Christof *Khan* Breinninn *Khan*



From Their Highnesses

WAR!

Fight!
Volunteer!
Learn!
Shop!

BRIFR
Prince

آنہیتا
Princess



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FROM THE CHRONICLER

Greetings unto the Populace of our fair Kingdom,



War is here and by the time some of you read this, we will be home unpacking, trying to put things back where they came from. Of course now we have new stuff, purchased at war that we have to find places for. It was hard enough to find space in the car to bring it home, now we have to find space at home. You think we would learn, but no.

In last month's issue we featured a canvas prepared and painted of a map of Gleann Abhann. We showed you how it was created and a photo of the canvas was placed on the cover. We were remiss to add in a special notation on the creator of the original map image. If populace members would like to use that image at anytime please contact Margery Heron mka Katie Gilroy.

If anyone has any projects that you would like to share with the populace, please contact me. I would love to feature your project in the Ambassador. I enjoy following the full process of a project and sure others will too.

So now what? What comes after war? We have looked forward to war for so long, now I'm unsure what to look forward to next. CORONATION that's what is next. A reign will be over and a new reign will begin. Shortly after, we will find who our new heirs will be and we will again start preparing for another WAR, without enemies.

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APR 05  **Newbie Collegium**
Province of Lagerdamm • Camp Formosa

APR 12  **Gleann Abhann Spring Coronation**
Barony of Seleone • King's Arrow Ranch

APR 19  **Vesna Visions • Slavic Celebration**
Shire of Dragoun's Weal • Foxworth, MS

MAY 10  **Crown List / Beltaine**
Barony of Grey Niche • Millington, TN

JUL 20  **Summer War Melees**
SAVE THE DATE

AUG 30 **Mid Summer Knights Dream**
SAVE THE DATE

SEP 20  **Gleann Abhann Arts & Science**
KINGDOM SAVE THE DATE

OCT 04  **Gleann Abhann Fall Coronation**
SAVE THE DATE

OCT 11  **GA Heraldic Symposium/Havoc**
SAVE THE DATE

OCT 25 **Samhain**
SAVE THE DATE

NOV 01  **Slay the Dragon**
SAVE THE DATE

NOV 08  **Gleann Abhann Fall Crown List**
KINGDOM SAVE THE DATE

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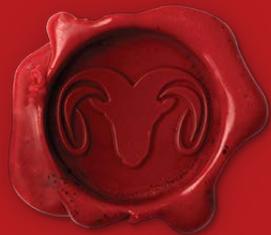


WAR IS HERE

From the Kingdom Seneschal

On the 24th of February, 2024, the following was read into court at Gleann Abhann Fighter's Collegium 'Scott Stewart, known in the SCA as Walter Fitz Alan, is hereby under a Temporary Removal of Participation, pending review by the Board of Directors. He is barred from all SCA activities pending the completion of that process.

Yours in Service, Holding Honor and Courtesy to All, Above All



Sir Gwynn Bleyne

Kingdom Seneschal

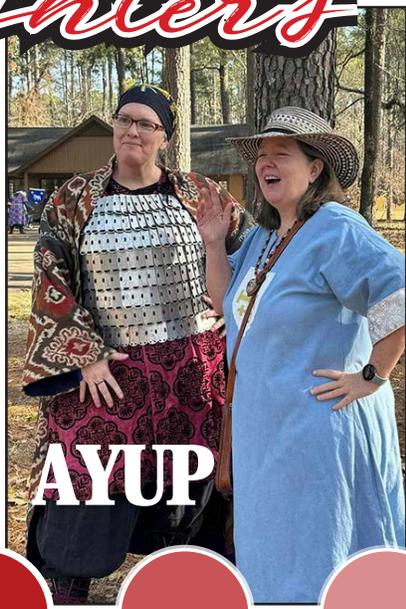


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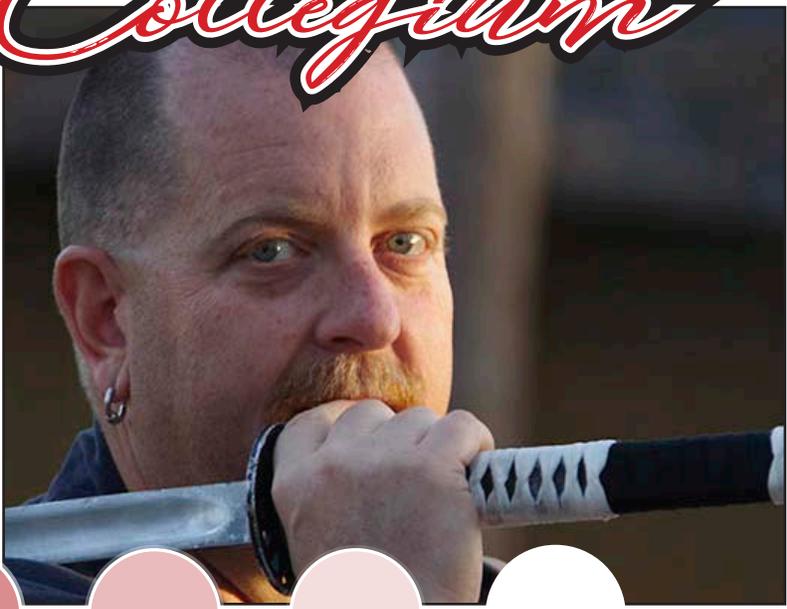


Hit 'em like this

Fighter's Collegium

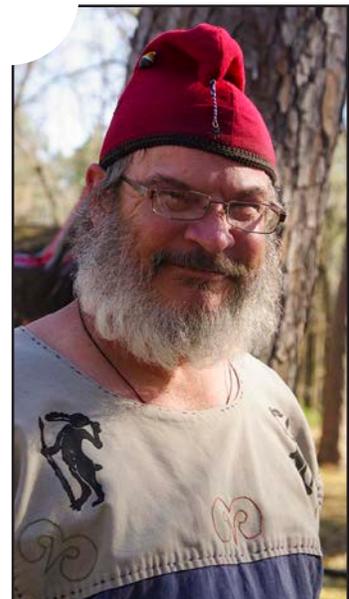


AYUP





What?



Zombies?



Trouble!



REGISTER NOW

Apr
5-7

Newbie Collegium

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Adult Member - \$15

ADULT Registration - \$25
17 & Under - FREE
Bed \$5 - Tenting \$5
Feast - \$10



PayPal deadline: March 22, 11:59

Make check payable to:

SCA Inc., Province of Lagerdamm

CLASSES ■ CLASSES ■ AND MORE
CLASSES

LEARN EVERYTHING YOU NEED
TO KNOW ABOUT THE SCA

Apr
12-14

Spring Coronation

of

Briar & Anahita

Barony of Seleone

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Site Closes: 10am Sunday

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Feast - \$10



PayPal deadline: March 29, 11:59

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Apr
19-21

Vesna Visions Slavic Celebration

Shire of Dragoun's Weal

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Feast - \$10



PayPal deadline: Apr 5th, 11:59

Make check payable to:

SCA MS Inc., Dragoun's Weal

Random Weapons Tourney
Rapier Fighting, A&S
Live Weapons
Children Activities

Eastern European Feast

May
10-12

Gleann Abhann Crown List Beltaine

Barony of Grey Niche

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Feast - \$10



PayPal deadline: Apr 26th, 11:59

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SCA TN INC., Barony of Grey Niche

Silver Torc Tournament

Longest running Tournament in the SCA
"The Gray Blade" Rapier Tournament
Feast with the Faries
Grey Niche Baronial Bardic Champion

No member shall pay a site registration higher than three (3) adult member registrations to an event as long as they all have proof of membership. This does not include bed or feast registration for more than those covered by the three (3) paid adult member registrations.

NOTICE: Although the SCA complies with all applicable laws to try to ensure the health and safety of our event participants, we cannot eliminate risk of exposure to infectious diseases during in-person events. By participating in the in-person events of the SCA, you acknowledge and accept the potential risks. You agree to take any additional steps to protect your own health and safety and those under your control as you believe to be necessary.

REGISTER NOW

July
20th

**Summer
War Melees**

SAVE THE DATE!

Aug
23-25

**Turf
Wars**

SAVE THE DATE!

Aug 30th
Sept 1st

**MSKD
MID SUMMER
KNIGHTS DREAM**

SAVE THE DATE!

Sept
20-22

**GLEANN ABHANN
ART &
SCIENCE**

**KINGDOM
SAVE THE DATE!**

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Meet the Peer

Mistress
Rosalind bint Mihrimah

Order of the Laurel
Order of the Pelican



What is your persona and what drew you to it? Technically, my persona is a 16th century Ottoman Turk living in the topkapi saray during the time of Suleyman the Magnificent. I like pants and love the feel of the caftans. What I am most known for is being a Maenad of Bacchus, and I like to think that maybe having been the cause the scandal of 187BC that led to reforms on how the mystery cult celebrated. That all started bc Fergus found a photo that showed Bacchantes dancing that looked like they were swaying their hips. BUT, I am also falling down an Amazon path. Dammit, Why do I have to choose one?

How did you find the SCA? I was a senior in high school (do I have to say the year? Holy Hera - it was 1990) and my best friend was already at college. She called me up and said you have to come visit, there is this thing you would absolutely love. So I drove to Auburn AL (Shire of the Eagle) at which point I piled into a mini van with 5 other people and headed to Meridian Crown List at Dauphin Island. Walking into one of the fort bastions was quite magical. My friend was introducing me to people, including Erik of Chester who took my hand, kissed it and said, "my lady it is an honor to meet you." I looked at my GF and said, I think I am going to like this.

What was your first SCA event? Meridian Crown List, May 1990

What SCA activities are you the most interested in? A&S. I love making costumes and I love researching obscure, non european dances. And I think everyone knows I am interested in armored combat. I tend to get obsessive with things. I tell new people to try all the things bc at some point something is going to make your muse come alive.

If you could start on your path again with all the knowledge you have now, what if anything, would you do differently? I think the only thing I would do differently was when I lost faith in A&S in the early 90's, I would buckled down, asked more questions and conquered it earlier. it took another 13 years for me to gain that perspective to understand A&S and what was needed to be done.

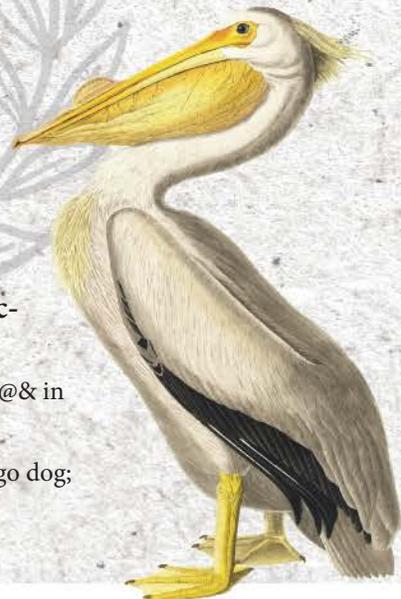
What is the one thing you wish someone had told you about being a peer? It is quite the job. That there is a weight to it that takes a little getting used to.

What is your favorite SCA moment? just one? Being in the courts to see Duke Stephan and Count Francois banter and try to one up each other. Dancing my first SCA dance. Being Champion of the Arts for the Region of GA, and then the Kingdom. Meeting Fergus at Gryphons Pleasure in 1990. Being part of the original Gulf Wars fort building crew. Being with friends - old and new. Seeing all my associates receive their peerages.

For Fun - What SCA skills have you learned that would help you survive a zombie apocalypse? lol. I think everything about the SCA helps prepare you.

For Fun - What is your favorite cuss word? I really like all of them but probably anything with F#@& in it is great.

For Fun - Is a hotdog a sandwich? Why or Why Not? how about my favorite hot dog is a chicago dog; and if I can't get a chicago dog, then it has to have sauerkraut.



Gleaner Abbots Court Report

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Dia Ramberti

Fighter's Collegium

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Fighter's Collegium

GA Yeoman

David Bootleg

Fighter's Collegium

Queen's Red Guard

Ysabeau de la Mare

Fighter's Collegium

Sentry

Barax Greicho

Fighter's Collegium

Court Barony

Ysabeau de la Mare

Fighter's Collegium

Diamond Chalice

David Bootleg

Fighter's Collegium

Jeweled Ring

Sara de la Petra

Fighters's Collegium

GOAL OF WARS





GULF WARS

of the Past



Photos by: Duchess Danielle



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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.

MEETING SCHEDULE

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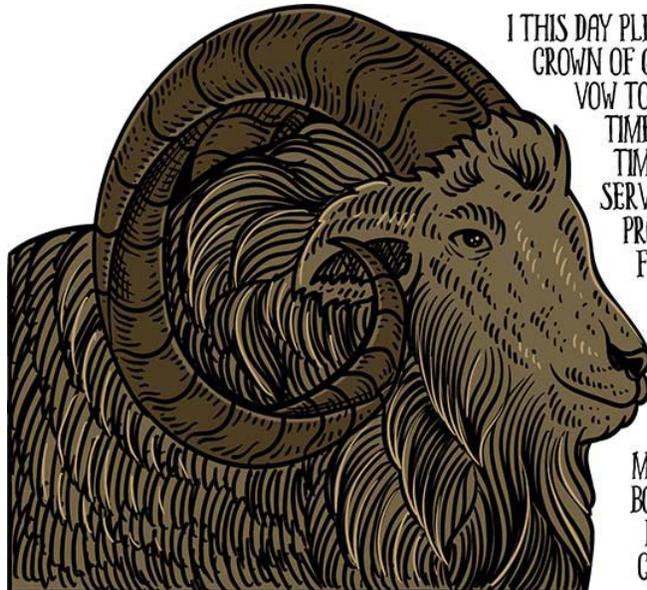
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TIMES OF WAR, MY ART IN
TIMES OF PEACE, AND MY
SERVICE IN TIMES OF NEED. I
PROMISE TO DEFEND OUR
FAIR KINGDOM AGAINST
ALL THAT DESIRE HER
HARM WITH WORD,
DEED AND FORCE.
FROM THIS DAY
FORWARD, AS LONG AS
MY CROWN ALLOWS, I AM
BOUND TO BE FAITHFUL,
HOLDING HONOR AND
COURTESY ABOVE ALL.