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The Æstel

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THE SCA PROHIBITS HARASSMENT AND BULLYING OF ALL INDIVIDUALS AND GROUPS.

The SCA prohibits bullying and harassment of all individuals and groups. Bullying is systematic and unwelcome behavior which involves the use of influence, threat, intimidation, or coercion to cause hurt or harm to another person or group of people. When the bullying behavior is based on a protected class (1), that behavior is defined as harassment.

(1) race, sex, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, age, or disability.

Bullying and Harassment may be overt, as in the following non-inclusive list of examples:

- Verbal abuse, including using racial, homophobic, transphobic, ableist epithets, etc.
- Non-consensual physical contact, violence, or threatening gestures.
- Displaying material that is offensive, degrading, or threatening to a protected class.
- Consistent demeaning remarks or malicious teasing - Stalking or predatory behavior

Covert:

- Spreading rumors or innuendo with malicious intent
- Deliberate exclusion, isolation, or alienation of an individual without just cause
- Using rank, title, or office to intimidate others

Provided that the behavior does not rise to the criteria listed above, bullying and harassment is not:

- Single episodes of social rejection, dislike, tactlessness, or forgetfulness.
- Mutual arguments, disagreements, or fights.
- The termination, mutual or not, of a romantic relationship or friendship.
- Reasonable constructive feedback or critique.

The test for bullying is the reasonableness of the behavior and the impact of that behavior on the recipient. Participants engaging in bullying/harassment are subject to appropriate sanctions. If an individual believes they have been subjected to or have witnessed harassment, bullying, or retaliation, that person should contact a seneschal, the President of the SCA, or that kingdom’s Board Ombudsman.
Æthelmearc Royalty

Their Royal Majesties
Gareth Kincaid and Julianna Delamere

Their Royal Highnesses
Murdoch Bayne and Ríoghnach ní Rose

Æthelmearc Royalty

Queen's Rapier Champion:
Baron Salvadore de la Torres

Cut and Thrust:
Don Robert MacEwin of Thornhill

Regalo de las Rosas
Maestro Orlando di Bene del Vinta

Heavy Weapons Champion:
THL Gareth Whytebull

Archery Champion:
Lord Yakub Al-Musafir

Thrown Weapons Champion:
THL Kumagaya Kentarou Masamoto

King’s Equestrian Champion:
Lord Joel Geraldson

Queen’s Equestrian Champion:
Noble Megis Elmanou

Shield of Chivalry:
THL Halfdan Dansson

King’s Bardic Champion (Dexter):
Master Donnan MacDubhisdhe

Queen’s Bardic Champion (Sinister):
Maighstir Liam MacantSaoir

Kingdom Arts and Sciences Champion:
THL Fede di Fiore

Youth Arts and Sciences Champion:
John Robert

Youth Combat Champion:
Division 2 - Felix and Division 3 - Ragnar in Ronde

Brewing Champion:
Master Robert of Ferness

Youth Arts and Science Champion:
John Robert
Landed Barons & Baronesses of Æthelmearc

Barony Marche of the Debatable Lands
Violeta de Valencia and Aurelia Argentia Prima
Baron@debatablelands.org, Baroness@debatablelands.org

Barony of Thescorre
Andriú mac Domnaill and Nuzha bint Saleem
Baron@thescorre.org, Baroness@thescorre.org

Barony of the Rhydderich Hael
Magnus de Lyons and Thalia Papillon
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Barony of Blackstone Mountain
Cunedda Kell and Alana Horsecroft
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Barony of Endless Hills
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Barony of St. Swithin’s Bog
Jean Phillippe Dit La Barbe Rousse and Caterine de Troyes
Baron@stswithinsbog.aethelmearc.org, Baroness@stswithinsbog.aethelmearc.org

Barony of Delftwood
Thorbjorn Inn Havi and Oðindisa Býkona
Baron@delftwood.org, Baroness@delftwood.org

For more information on the Baronies of Æthelmearc, known as the “Seven Pearls” visit:
https://aethelmearc.org/groups/local-groups/the-seven-pearls
Greetings Noble Populace,

We hope you have had a safe and happy holiday season. Following our many wonderful 12th night celebrations, it is time to learn, share, train and make ready for war. Ædult swim is a training opportunity where all warriors can improve.

We look forward to attending Festival of Seven Deadly Sins this year. Virtual Æcademy is a wonderful chance to share your knowledge and perhaps learn something new. Consider teaching or perhaps just sitting in on a class or a subject that you don’t know much about.

We will be going to Gulf Wars in March as well. If you have never been its a worthwhile journey that has forged many strong friendships. We encourage everyone to travel to all the regions of our kingdom. As a reminder, you can turn in your completed pilgrimage cards at a royal progress event to collect a special pilgrim badge.

Regional musters and practices are beginning. Come out and take part as much as you can. No one can be at everything, none the less it is important to reach out of your area of interest so we can be a society which is more than a bunch of people with their own interests that happen to share a space.

Cheer each other on. Learn something new. Try more parts of the SCA. The Dream is a big place.

Gareth and Juliana
Rex and Regina, Æthelmearc
Unto the noble populace of Æthelmearc!!

As we settle into the new year and enjoy the peace and prosperity afforded us under the watchful eyes of our Glorious Sovereigns Gareth and Julianna, we must be mindful of what the future holds for us. We all seem to have two settings. Pennsic is just past or Pennsic is on the horizon. This year, if fortune favors, We will have the privilege of serving you as the leaders of our fair Kingdom. It is Our wish that regardless of what side of the field Æthelmearc finds itself on, our Kingdom, our people, and our army will come together in a united front with all of the skill, talent, service, and prowess we know this Kingdom is capable of.

While we say this is our wish, an undertaking of this magnitude cannot be tackled by any individual. It takes a literal army of volunteers to make this a reality. With this in mind, We have built the command structure for Our rattan and rapier forces and we will be filling positions for the command and organization of Æthelmearc’s forces in A&S, siege, combat archery, target archery, and thrown weapons as we are able.

The structure We are implementing for this War institutes the Warlord of Æthelmearc being the organizer, strategist, and direct line between the Royalty and the Generals/Commanders. For Pennsic 51, We are pleased to announce that Sir Beatrix Krieger has stepped up to fulfill that role. Reporting directly to the Warlord is Our Fencing General, Don Jehan LeBlanc, and Our Rattan General, Sir Thorsol Solinauga. Both Don Jehan and Sir Thorsol have their regional staff in place and practices on the schedule. In fulfilling jobs and roles for Pennsic, there are many positions in need of people for the various staples and must-haves for the Æthelmearc encampment at War. We are looking for volunteers for any, every, and all areas. We are blessed in Our Kingdom with the service-oriented and Pennsic is the perfect place to show that.

We look forward to seeing and speaking to as many of you as we can as We move forward into this Grand Adventure. If anyone has any questions, or if there is anything We can do or help with, We are here to serve.

For Æthelmearc.

Murdoch & Ríoghnach
Æ Prince and Princess

Greetings Æthelmearc!

Even in the short quiet days of winter there’s always a beehive’s worth of activity taking place within our fine kingdom. At Kingdom 12th Night we inaugurated our project to give the Kingdom Laws a good scrubbing. Following their original publication they have been amended many times in order to keep things current with our needs and the changing rules of the Society. It is time for us to give it a good rewrite from top to bottom for consistency and clarity while maintaining the letter and spirit of the laws as they are.

To accomplish this I have assembled a crack team who have had the highest level of experience with policies and the laws of our kingdom headed by our Law & Policy deputy, Master Diego Miguel Munoz de Castilla.

My first Curia Regis is in the books. I wish I could report how it went, but I’m writing this missive just beforehand, though it will be published afterward. Time is weird that way. I’m sure everything went well, and we had a wonderful hybrid in-person/online meeting.

We have recently been working on the additional background checks for Pennsylvania residents. It is important that we adhere to the letter of the law and the rules as set forth by the organization. This is doubly important in all matters dealing with the health and safety of children. At the forefront of this particular endeavor has been our Youth Minister, Baroness Antoinette De Lorraine. Many thanks for putting in the extra effort!

Barún Pádraig Ó Branduibh

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Patrick DeWind
Kingdom Seneschal
Æthelmearc

Barún Pádraig Ó Branduibh
Pronouns: He/Him
REQUEST FOR COMMENTARY – CHATELAINE AND DEIB OFFICES

The Board of Directors is currently considering changes to Corpora. It invites commentary from the membership and participants.

These changes aim to enhance recruitment and member retention in the SCA. They also aim to further support these goals. They elevate the Society Chatelaine to a greater Society Officer. They align local and regional chatelaines to this same structure. It is a strategic move. It aims to support the implementation of comprehensive recruitment and retention strategies. It also aims to align the office to a clear vision.

The Board also approved proposed wording. It supports the creation of a Society Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging (DEIB) Officer. They also approved aligning local and regional DEIB officers into one structure. Like the proposed Chatelaine changes, it aims to support an aligned Society vision. It also aims to support the implementation of strategy in this space.

Finally, the Board approved changing the name and scope of the Corporate Diversity Equity Inclusion and Belonging Office. It is now the Office of Inclusive Programs. This office will handle the implementation of large scale, heavy-lift projects. This work will move inclusivity in the SCA forward. It will also transition leadership and management of game facing DEIB work to the newly created Society DEIB Officer. This office will support all corporate and society officers. It will also serve as a primary DEIB advisor to the Board.

Note: Changes to corporate offices don’t require changes in Corpora or public commentary. Understanding the changes to the Corporate DEIB Office will add context for the proposed changes to Corpora. It will also provide clarity for the realignment of responsibilities among these offices. This restructuring aligns with better practice for organizations that aim to improve recruiting and retention by creating welcoming and inclusive environments.

Recruiting and Retention structural changes for member commentary and verbiage change to Corpora.

- Section VI. Society Officers
  - Add:
    - I. Chatelaine:
      - The Chatelaine is responsible for promoting and supporting recruitment initiatives and guiding retention practices.
    - J. Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging Officer:
      - The Society DEIB Officer is responsible for overseeing the development, implementation, and maintenance of game-facing DEIB initiatives and education.

Change:
- Renumber I. Reservations to the Board, to K. Reservations to the Board, with no changes in content

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

Please email all commentary to SCA-Comments@sca.org and use the title “Chatelaine and DEIB Changes” 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: Chatelaine and DEIB Changes
P.O. Box 611928
San Jose, CA 95161

Commentary regarding this proposed Corpora change, must be received by the Board no later than March 1, 2024.

From the Board of Directors

From the Kingdom Chronicler

Hello Æthelmearc,

Please remember the deadline for the Æstel is the 5th of each month (unless a notice is sent to the Official Kingdom Mailing list indi
cating an earlier date). It is important to note that this deadline is for the following month’s issue. For example, the deadline for the April issue of the Æstel is March 5th. The finalized newsletter must go to Corporate by the 10th of each month. Why is this important? When submitting events to the calendar if you submit event information after the deadline it is not going to make it into the Æstel for the proper month. Any updates to a current event submitted after the deadline will also not make it into the Æstel. Life happens and we will always work to accommodate people, but if your group can meet and decide on information, and meet Æstel deadlines, that is appreciated (looking at you Kingdom officers as well).

Magnus de Lyons

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From the Chancellors of the Æcademy

We are so excited for the Virtual Winter Æcademy to be held on February 4, 2024. Details of the classes, schedule, and access information will be posted to social media and email.

We are also very excited to announce the Spring 2024 Æcademy and War College will be held June 15, 2024 in the Shire of Herontir.

We are still looking for bids for the Fall Æcademy and War College. Preferred date is November 9, 2024. Rotation is to Region 1 and bids are due April 1.

In service,
Baron Fridrikr Tomasson
Baroness Orianna Fridrikskona
Chancellors of the Æcademy
Hersir Marek Viachedrago
Dean of the War College

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Help recognize the hardworking people of the Kingdom!
Please consider submitting an award recommendation!

A complete listing of the awards and orders of Æthelmearc can be found here:
http://heraldry.aethelmearc.org/resources/armory.html

The award recommendation form can be found here:
Here begins the Report of the Court of Gareth and Juliana, King and Queen of Æthelmearc at Debatable Lands Investiture, December 16 AS 58, jorundr hinn rotinn reporting, with the assistance of Arias Beltran del Valle, Jewel of Æthelmearc Herald, and Angelino the Bookmaker.

In the Morning.

Their Majesties summoned Baron Brandubh and Barones Hilderun before Them. It was Their understanding that Their Excellencies wished to step down this day. Their Excellencies replied that it was Their wish, but They had some final business. Their Majesties gave leave for Their Excellencies to hold Their Final Court.

Their Majesties summoned the Debatable Lands election committee. Baron Brandubh and Barones Hilderun as the heads of the committee confirmed that the election did happen and the Barony had selected the next Baronage. Breheyes Muirghel inghean Dubhghail, the seneschal of the Debatable Lands confirmed that all applicable laws and policies were followed during the election. The Baronial petition was read stating the will of the Barony to invest Violeta de Valencia and Aurella Argentia Prima as the 9th Baronage of the Debatable Lands.

Their Majesties called for Baron Brandubh and Barones Hilderun before Them. They thanked Them for Their service and leadership, and released Them as Baronage of the Debatable Lands.

Their Majesties called for Baron Brandubh and Barones Hilderun present to Them. They confirmed that it was still Their wish to continue, and placed the Baronial Coronets on Their heads. Upon Hearing Their Oath, Their Majesties proclaimed Them Baroness Violeta and Praetoria Prima, 9th Baronage of the Debatable Lands.

Baron Brandubh and Barones Hilderun presented Violeta and Prima with the Baronial cloaks that had been made by many skilled hands of the Barony’s populace as regalia for the Baronage.

Barones Violeta and Praetoria Prima briefly addressed the populace wishing all had a fun day with the dancing, gaming, food, and other activities planned for the day.

Their Majesties called for Baron Brandubh O Donnghaile and Barones Hilderun Hügelmann. They once again thanked them for their service as Landed Baronage of the Debatable lands, and confirmed that they retained their rank as Court Baron and Court Baroness.

Their Majesties addressed the populace wishing all had a fun day with the dancing, gaming, food, and other activities planned for the day.

Their Majesties invited all the newcomers to the Society to come forward. They gifted them with mugs by the hands of the artisans of the Kingdom in welcome.

Their Majesties called for Baron Arias Beltran del Valle to present himself. He was looking quite alive, so Their Majesties called for the youth of the Kingdom and sent them chasing after him with the Kingdom toy chest.

Their Majesties gave leave to Their Excellencies Violeta and Prima to hold Their First Baronial Court.

Their Majesties invited Mistress Graidhne ni Ruaidh to attend Them. Mistress Graidhne had found an individual that she wished to take as a protegé. Mistress Graidhne asked to be joined by Lord Alan Notty who agreed.

Their Majesties called for Cadence of the Debatable Lands. Cadence had been seen helping around the Debatable Lands and Kingdom. She has taken up a blade and authorized in fencing as well. For this Their Majesties awarded her Arms. Scroll by Christina Mary Lowe with words by Chaghagan Ghu-nan.

Their Majesties summoned Etienne Renault. His impact around Pennsic in the Baronial camp is noticed by many, he further helps out around other events. For this Their Majesties awarded him Arms. Scroll illuminated by Maria Cristina de Cordoba with calligraphy by Eleanor Godwin.

Their Majesties summoned Breheyes Muirghel inghean Dubhghail, the seneschal of the Debatable Lands to present himself. He was looking quite alive, so Their Majesties called for the youth of the Kingdom and sent them chasing after him with the Kingdom toy chest.

Their Majesties found Them to be in order and had signed them on the spot, or rather table. Their Majesties spoke of Arias’ skill in heavy weapons, and his passion on the field and so named him a Companion of the Golden Alce.

Their Majesties called for THLady Elsa Taliard. They spoke of her generosity over to all of Their Reigns, and many others. Elsa has donated many different pieces of largesse, needlecases, feltwork, and items for the youth. For this Their Majesties awarded her a Crowns Treasure. Scroll by Eleanor Godwin.

Their Majesties summoned Rei Regenbogen. Her Majesty reminded everyone that the pilgrimage books are available. The first tokens can be redeemed at Kingdom Twelfth Night. All you have to do is visit an event, meeting, or practice in each region and get the book signed by someone from the local group.

His Majesty invited everyone that is able and willing to travel to Gulf Wars in March. The Viking Deed is going to happen and it might just be too much fun.

Their Majesties announced that Their Curia will be held on Friday January 12 at the same site for Æthelmearc Twelfth Night.

Court closed.
The Æstel
and beads through the ages
1:30p
Cranachan
Roasted vegetables
Cullen skink (fish chowder)
Bread and butter
Salad greens

12p

Your own feast gear

1:30p-4p Basic Mead Making
2:30p-3:30p Introduction to what Viking women wore on their apron dresses
3:30p-5p Beginner Applique

Site fee is $20 per member and $25 per non-member with lunch included

Site address: 1208 Skyhill Rd, Edinburg, PA 16116,

Checks can be made payable to: SCA-PA, INC. Steltonwald. All checks are deposited next day.

FSDS: Lupercalia
February 10th, 2024
Hosted by: The Barony of Delftwood

Cash Bar, Contained Flames, Not Wheelchair Accessible, R5, Service Animals Only / No Pets, Weapons Allowed TRM Royal Progress

Additional notes on Wheelchair Accessibility: The site has a ramp into the building. There is another entrance with five stairs. The event takes place on the first floor only.

The Barony of Delftwood and the Canton of Dunloch welcome you to another Feast of the Seven Deadly Sins as we celebrate Lupercalia!

Please join us February 10th, 2024 for fencing, fun, and revelry! Site opens at 9:00 AM and closes promptly at 8:00 PM. Their Excellencies, Baron Thorbjorn inn havi and Baroness Othindisa Bykona will be choosing their next Baronial Fencing Champion!

There will be a sideboard included with the day fee. A separate feast will be available to all who pre-register. Both meals will be prepared by Filippa Forti (Rowena Morgan-Forte). Please contact her by January 27, 2024 for allergy concerns. (FilippaFORTI@gmail.com) Feast reservation deadline is February 5, 2024.

There will be plenty of off-board space for those wishing to bring their own feast.

The site is The Fulton Polish Home, 153 W. 1st St South, Fulton, NY 13069. GPS will take you there correctly. There is ample parking. There is also a cash bar for those 21 and over only. Please do not bring other alcohol in. The site has a ramp into the building. There is another entrance with five stairs. The event takes place on the first floor only.

The Event Steward is Baroness Othindisa Bykona (Sarah LaMay). She can be reached on Facebook under that name or by email at: AEBeeLady@gmail.com or by phone at 315-373-6842. Leave a voicemail to receive a call back.

The Deputy Event Steward is Lady Ana Sirena de Valbuena. She can be reached at 315-591-0135 or by email Sroh106890@aol.com.

Event Fees:

Adult Registration (Ages 18+): $20
Adult Member Discount Registration (Ages 18+): $15
Adult Student Registration with college/trade school ID: $10
Children (5-17): $5
Children under 5: Free
Feast: $12 for 18+
$6 for 5-17
$0 for 0-4, but please include them in the reservation if they will be seated at the table.

Reservations should be sent to: Barony of Delftwood PO Box 6694 Syracuse, NY 13217 Checks should be payable to: SCA- NY, Inc – Barony of Delftwood

Please include modern and SCA name (if applicable), email, and SCA Member number (if applicable) for all registering parties.

Feast reservation deadline is February 5, 2024.
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Ton stores, lot C1 or C2.

er level near the vacant Sears & Bon
St. Swithin
payable to
(cash or check only). Make checks
Site fees will be collected at the door
still need to sign in.
Member. No fee for Youth but they
$10.00 for both days for Adult Non
The cost for this event is $5.00 for
its Food Court.
There will be no feast or day board at
Sunday from 12:00pm
urday from 10:00am
Those who attend can come on Sat-
We will have Heavy Fighting, Fenc-
Sunday from 10:00am-7:00pm and
We will have Heavy Fighting, Fenc-
We will have Heavy Fighting, Fenc-
There will be no feast or day board at
this event. However, we encourage
the populace to dine at one of the
several restaurants in the Mall and in
its Food Court.

The cost for this event is $5.00 for
both days for Adult Member and
$10.00 for both days for Adult Non-
Member. No fee for Youth but they
still need to sign in.
Site fees will be collected at the door
(cash or check only). Make checks
payable to “SCA PA, Inc – Barony of
St. Swithin’s Bog”.

Parking and entrance are on the lower
level near the vacant Sears & Bon
Ton stores, lot C1 or C2.

Your Autocrats for this Event will be
Duke Sir Timothy
(Timothy Tay-
lor, taylor@newpardoncontrols.com
, 570-244-7659).
THL Arvik Hyttoinen (Timothy John-
son, timothyjohnson1978@gmail.com
, 814-615-8201) and Baron Leo Diet-
trich (Vincent
Charles, leodietrich.sca@aol.com 570
-495-0296).
If you are looking for a place to stay,
these hotels are super close to the
mall and are reasonably priced.
Holiday Inn
250 Market Street
Johnstown, Pa 15901
814-535-7777
Comfort Inn and Suites
455 Theatre Drive
Johnstown, Pa 15904
814-266-3678
Hampton Inn
129 Commerce CT
Johnstown, Pa 15904
814-262-7700
Super 8
627 Solomon Run Road
Johnstown, Pa 15904
814-535-5600

College of Three Ravens
February 24th, 2024
Hosted by: The Barony of
Thescorre

Dry, No Flames, Not Wheelchair Accessi-
ble, R3, Service Animals Only / No
Pets, TRM Royal Progress

Additional notes on Wheelchair Ac-
cessibility: Modern shopping mall with
elevator

Adult Swim 2024
February 17th, 2024
Hosted by: The Barony of
Saint Swithin’s Bog

Dry, No Flames, No Weap-
ons, Not Wheelchair Accessi-
ble, R3, Service Animals Only / No
Pets, TRM Royal Progress

Additional notes on Wheelchair Ac-
cessibility: Modern shopping mall with
elevator

Adult Swim 2024
February 17, 2024 – February 18,
2024

Come one, come all as Ædult Swim
returns bigger and better than ever!
This year we will be holding the event
in the Barony of St. Swithin’s Bog at
the Johnstown Galleria located at 500
Galleria Drive, Johnstown, PA 15904.

Those who attend can come on Sat-
urday from 10:00am-7:00pm and
Sunday from 12:00pm-4:00pm (hours
subject to change).

We will have Heavy Fighting, Fenc-
ing, Youth Fighting, and a Demo-
stration throughout the day.

There will be no feast or day board at
this event. However, we encourage
the populace to dine at one of the
several restaurants in the Mall and in
its Food Court.

The cost for this event is $5.00 for
both days for Adult Member and
$10.00 for both days for Adult Non-
Member. No fee for Youth but they
still need to sign in.
Site fees will be collected at the door
(cash or check only). Make checks
payable to “SCA PA, Inc – Barony of
St. Swithin’s Bog”.

Parking and entrance are on the lower
level near the vacant Sears & Bon
Ton stores, lot C1 or C2.

Hear ye, hear ye, the school bells a-
ringing! Greetings good gentles of
Aethelmearc!

The Barony of Thescorre is pleased
to announce that it’s time to go Back
to Schola! That’s right, after a hiatus
of our beloved in-person College of
Three Ravens, we enthusiastically
invite you all to join us on February
24, 2024 for our IN PERSON College
of Three Ravens, where our theme is
Back to School – A Return to
Thescorre’s Traditional Schola!

It promises to be a full day of classes
on every imaginable SCA-related
subject, camaraderie as we jostle
each other in the halls on our way to
those classes, Arts and Sciences dis-
plays, and even the possibility of an
A&S competition. We also are delight-
ed to be able to host bardic and danc-
ing after our feast!

Oh, and the return of delectable food
in the form of a BREAKFAST day-
board and early feast (with room
a’plenty for those that want to brown
bag it for the first day back to school)! That’s right, no school day is com-
plete without a well-balanced break-
fast – especially when that well-
balanced breakfast dayboard is creat-
ed by Thescorre’s very own Baroness
Sadira!

And our feast, which will start at 3:30,
will be led by Baroness Nuzha, lead-
ing young cooks of Thescorre and
Æthelmearc to create a meal to tanta-
lize the tastebuds of our attendees!
You heard that correctly, we are cele-
brating the youth of our fair Sylvan
lands and asking them to step into the
role of feast cooks!

Our Chancellor of Classes, Lady Ni-
ocle du Marais will again wrangle all
those wanting to teach and create an
easy to follow schedule of all the clas-
ses that the event has to offer! Dig
deep and think of those classes
you’ve always wanted to teach!
Please be on the look-out for our call
to classes and subsequent sign-up
form!

The Æstel February 2024 Anno Societatis LVIII 12
Kingdom & Other Events

Please note, there will be no fighting or fencing this year. However, as we are focusing on this being a day of teaching and learning, to our fighting/fencing/arching/throwing community, please come up with classes that might relate to those disciplines (armor repair / creation, weapon maintenance, history of, footwork technique, armor extrication).

Our Schola will be held at Victory United Methodist Church, 106 East Main Street, Victor, NY 14564.

Adult Member Discount Event Registration is $12
Adult Event Registration is $17
Youth (0-17) is free
Feast is an additional $8, and no charge for youth 4 years and under.
All registration includes that delicious breakfast dayboard!

Reservationist is Baroness Dubheasa (Pam Scholl). Reservations can be sent to Baroness Dubheasa at: Pam Scholl, 491 Ogden Parma Townline Road, Spencerport, NY 14559.

Checks and money orders are to be made payable to SCA NY Inc – Barony of Thescorre. It is essential that reservations include modern name, SCAdian name, and membership status for each person to be covered by your payment. Also, indicate if there are minors joining on your registration/reservation, and who will be joining us for feast! Please also include contact information with your reservation so that any confusion can be quickly resolved.

We plan on having a small space for merchants, so please be on the lookout for announcements about becoming a merchant at C3R!

For further information or to pose event-related questions, please contact the co-Event Stewards, THL Gwen Cooke (Jenn Bigelow-Carlson) and Lord Torbjørn Sigurdson (Jon Carlson) via email at: CaptainCookeoftheAardvarks@gmail.com and BjornPhilson@gmail.com

Site restrictions: No open flame on site and site is dry. Site is largely accessible, with a small elevator for those with mobility needs

Our tentative schedule for the day will be:

9AM – Site opens to the public
10AM – Breakfast Dayboard is served
10AM – 3PM – Classes
3:30PM – Feast
5PM – Dancing and Bardic
6PM – Court
9PM – Everyone offsite (site officially closes down after court concludes)
Please check back frequently for updates and new information as we get closer to the event!

Winter Fest
February 24th, 2024
Hosted by: The Shire of Misty Highlands

Location: Village Square Conference Center, 1489 Milford St #5857, Clarksburg, WV 26301, in the Shire of Misty Highlands.

Time: 9 AM – 7:30 PM (site closes following court)

Come one, come all and shake off the winter blues and join in our merrymaking! The Shire of Misty Highlands invites you to come compete in our contests and games of skill and partake of our Dayboard Delights.

There will contests in Heavy Weapons Combat. There will contests in Rapier Challenges. There will be Games of Skill and Luck for everyone.

There will be an Æthelmearc Royal Forester meet and greet. There will an A&S display. Bring items of your work and skill for all to see. Our Royal Majesties will be holding a Royal Court. Information will be posted on the SHIRE OF MISTY HIGHLANDS Facebook page.

Dayboard: Included in the site fees.

No pre-paid reservations. Pay at Troll. Troll closes at 1pm. Event Fees:
Youth <18 years old: $0.00
Adults: $10
Adult member fee: $5
Make checks payable to “SCA WV, INC Misty Highlands”.

Your Autocrats are:
Baron Rikarðr við-bjǫrn, Bear, Rick Blizard and Baroness Birna Ríkarðar-kona við-bjarnar, Linda Blizard. You may contact us at 681-278-8934

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- **Shire of Misty Highlands (North-Central)**
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