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DEPUTY KINGDOM CHRONICLER

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chronicler@calontir.org

Anne

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2023—2024 Royal Progress & Deadlines

| October 1 | December Flier Deadline (Nov Mews) |
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| October 7 | Coronation |
| October 14 | Autumn Arrows |
| October 21 | Vertigo |
| November 1 | January Flier Deadline (Dec Mews) |
| November 4 | Kingdom A&S |
| November 11 | CANCELED Harvest Home CANCELED |
| November 18 | Toys for Tots |
| December 1 | February Flier Deadline (Jan Mews) |
| December 2 | Winter Crown Tournament |
| December 9 | Kris Kinder |
| January 27 | Clothier's Seminar |

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Greetings Calontir!

I am excited to introduce you to my new emergency replacement deputy, The Honorable Lady Isibel Edvinsdottir. She will be covering for me should something ever happen where I am unable to do the duties of my office. She will also be assisting with some of the administrative parts of the office. I am so glad to have her on the team. Please be sure to thank her for her willingness to serve when you see her! This month I also want to call attention to a topic that is very important to our survivability, being a positive part of our local communities. The more we are a part of the local areas we live in, the better our recruitment, retention, and overall perception efforts will be.

Things as simple as doing volunteer workdays for the sites we use for meetings, practices, and events show how grateful we are to those places that support our game. This helps us not lose those sites when new leadership takes over in the places. It also allows us a chance to create a strong relationship which may attract someone to our group that would have never looked for us before. Not to mention, it can be fun. Nothing like rolling up our collective sleeves for aa good cause. It is what we do after all.

Another opportunity would be supporting local charity drives. Whether it be doing a day at a soup kitchen, assisting with collections of canned goods for a food drive, or clothes for a clothing drive. All those things are huge benefits to our homes and our communities. The best way to become part of our communities is to be a part of our communities. A couple hours a month, quarter, or even year can help our reputation. Which in turn can afford us new sites to hold practices, meetings, events, etc. Which will then grant us new opportunities for recruitment.

In service to Crown, Kingdom, and the Dream,

Ottar Surtrson
Office of the Chatelaine, Kingdom of Calontir

Ciao a tutti!

Kingdom Arts & Sciences is coming up on November 4th in The Shire of Crescent Moon! If you aren't familiar with Kingdom Arts and Sciences, it's an opportunity for the scientists and artisans of the Kingdom to share their projects and get feedback. Kingdom A&S is broken into 2 parts. There are tri-levels where you can enter at whatever level you want (novice, intermediate, or advanced) and Championships. Championship entries must comprise of 3 advanced level entries of 3 different categories. For example, a plate, a food item, and leatherwork, but an under dress, main dress, and coat are not 3 different categories. Kingdom A&S is open to everyone regardless of what awards you have, so Lilies, Hammers, and Laurels are invited to enter, and entrants do not need a sponsor. Each entry will have a judging session with 3 judges to discuss your project.

Sign up to enter and/or judge will be open from September 15th through October 25th. Yes, you may sign up to enter a project and judge. There are no prerequisites (specific awards) to be a judge. It's a fantastic way to see what others are looking for when reviewing entries or see how others present their projects. You don't need to be an expert in a field to sign up to judge. Some of the best judges are those who are new to a topic because they ask great questions and have a different perspective. We will be using the same criteria that we are already familiar with. This can be found in the A&S section of the Kingdom's website.

Additionally, we need a new head of the Scribal Guild. If you are interested, please email your letter of interest to artssciences@calontir.org by October 14th.

In service, Gianna

Gianna Viviani
Calontir Minister of Arts and Sciences
ArtsSciences@Calontir.org

Greetings all.

I hope everyone had a great time at Pennsic. I certainly did, though the road home was harder than expected.

Now we turn our eyes to the coronation of David de la Cloude and Rhianwen ferch Bran ap Gruffydd. By the way, if you're interested, David's arms are "Argent, in pale two clouds gules," which is a great usage of heraldry in combination with his name. Rhianwen's arms are "Azure, on a pile throughout argent between two flames Or a seahorse contourny maintaining an ax gules."

"Contourny," means the animal is facing the right of the shield as seen by the observer, which means it's to the left, or sinister of the shieldbearer. This is entirely appropriate for Rhianwen.

Sinister is a fun word, but before we get there, let's get the business out of the way. I had hoped to finalize getting a couple of offices filled, but circumstances have just gotten in the way. I'll announce those next month. At this point, there are no open positions I'm advertising, but I'm sure there'll be more as time goes on.

That doesn't mean there's no way to contribute to Calontir's heraldry. Reach out to your local group herald or to anyone in the heraldic community and ask how you can help. I suggest, by the way, ask about helping in the area you're most interested in. Something like, "Hey, I'm interested in Middle Eastern names, can I help people research those?" is perfectly appropriate. You can always branch out later, but starting small is always a good thing.

Now on to the fun part, but I want to go over dexter, the opposite of sinister, first. This is right and proper, of course. That's because in heraldic terms "dexter" means to the right, or right hand. It also means "skillful," "fortunate," and "proper."

The etymology of this word goes all the way back to Proto-Indo-European, which means there are cognates in Ancient Greek, Old High German, Sanskrit, and Old Church Slavonic. You can also find it in Pompeian inscriptions as "dester."

I, of course, first encountered this word from starting to play Dungeons and Dragons in 1980. I'd never seen dexterity before, and I was curious.

It was, shall we say, a wandering encounter.

But we all want to know about sinister, I think. Its etymology is exactly what it should be: unclear. It comes

to us from Proto-Italic, so not quite back to Proto-Indo-European, but other than that, they haven't traced it. There could be a relation to Sanskrit, but really, you could just say it comes from sinister origins.

Did you think you'd go through one of my Mews letters without a pun of such quality?

Anyway, it means left handed in heraldic terms, as I explained above. It also does mean "perverse," "bad," or "hostile." In Middle English, it came to mean "unlucky" and "inauspicious."

And this leads me to what I find most interesting about the word. This "inauspicious" meaning goes back at least partially to Ancient Greek religious usage. However, the ancient Romans, when using it in a religious context, used it to mean "auspicious." Literally, the opposite meaning.

So this makes me want to add another sport to the Olympics: Greco-Roman Word Wrestling! I'm sure it'll be a hit.

Or maybe it's time I left and got right out of here.

Rhodri

Greetings Calontir,

Coronation is upon us. It's such a trying time. Sad to see the current Crown go away, but excited to see what the future holds. Each reign renews the heart of the Kingdom, by adding to our story and, often, to our traditions. When I first came to Calontir there were no newcomer mugs handed out during court. Now I can't imagine a court without it. One of my favorite things is seeing all the new faces that are joining us.

While I will miss Their Royal Majesties Agamemnon and Marie, I am looking forward to Their Royal Majesties David and Rhianwen. New stories are waiting to be written, new songs are waiting to be sung.

The more things change the more they stay the same.

One thing that has remained the same all the many years I have been in the SCA is that the Kingdom Newsletter is the official publication. Many things must be published in the newsletter, although the list does change some depending on the kingdom. As one example, for the

Crown to have their business be official (stuff like awards They give) is that the event must be on the published calendar (the one on the website IS NOT official) and the event flyer must be published prior to the event. Not on the calendar, no flyer - that award your friend got isn't official (there are ways to address this and make the award official, but it's just better to not have to use them).

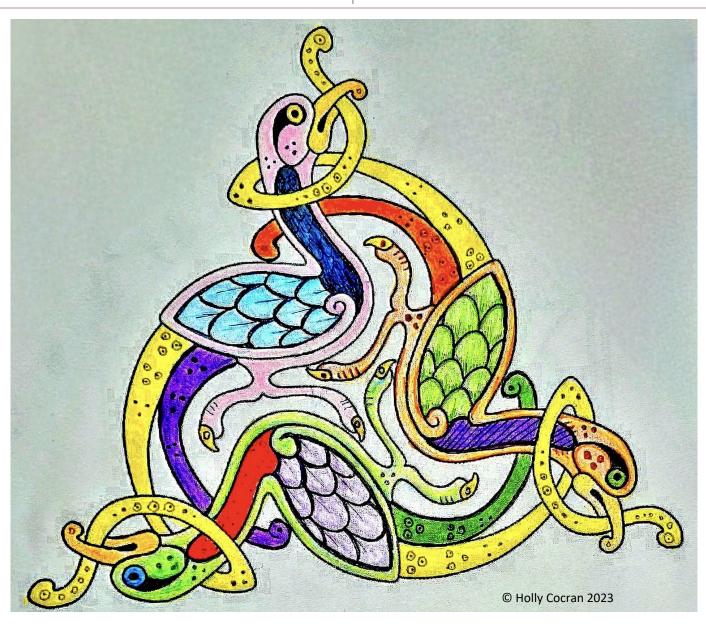
It's easy, in this new age of electronic communication, to forget about the printed news (especially now that the printed newsletter often arrives electronically). But the kingdom newsletter is a vital part of how things work in the SCA and Calontir

Facebook is a fun way to keep up with family and friends, but not everyone has access, and it is really not a great way to make sure information is easy to find, especially when algorithms can push things you need to know out of your view.

Please read your kingdom and local newsletters, help create content for them, so they are more interesting to read, and encourage others to do the same. If you want more information about the newsletter requirements or how you can help, make them better feel free to ask. I'm happy to share information.

Ciao,

Giulia





Join the Barony of the Lonely Tower For the

Coronation

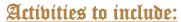
Of Their Royal Highnesses David and Rhianwen Saturday, October 7, 2023

Mills County Fairgrounds
61317 315th Street in Malbern, IA

Site will be open from 9a-9p

\$25 Adult Event Registration — Adult Alember Registration \$20 \$10 Youth ages 10-18—Children 10 and under FREE Gate will accept cash or check made payable to BLT, SCA Inc.

\$15 Feast, Donations welcome for Inn



- - Coronation Court
- 🔻 A&S Competition: Tower in any Medium
 - **6** Glass Guild Auction
- Blank Border Competition and Scribal Table
 - Meraldic Consult Table
- Occupation of the Contract of
 - Douth Combat





Site features a cash bar - outside alcohol strictly prohibited

For more information: Aleit de la Thomme, Event Steward, aleitdelathomme@gmail.com or 804-868-6249



The Shire of Calanais Nuadh Presents

Autumn Arrows XXXI and the 955th anniversary of... The Battle of Hastings October 13 - 15, 2023

Join us for a celebration of this historic battle with:

All Day Archery Shoots

- Branch Champion Shoot
- Surprise fun shoots
- And more...

Thrown Weapons - show your skills with axes, spears, and knives.

Arts and Sciences competitions -

- populous choice for theme entry
- Bardic entries judged over lunch break

A feast and Inn will be onsite - send dietary concerns to Roselyn

Site - Pulaski County Shriners Campground, 26920 Shrine Road, Laquay, MO 65534 Date - Site opens Friday, October 13, 2023 at 5 pm, closes at 12 noon, Sunday Oct 15,2023

Adult Event Registration: \$20 / Adult Member Discount Registration: \$15

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

Feast fee \$15.00 (Max for 50 people)

SITE IS WET

Event Stewards:

James Inn Danski Roselyn of Aberdeen mka James Thorsen 573-528-7585

mka Rose Blair 573-308-5207

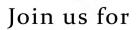
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CAMPING SITE - BRING YOUR TENTS TO ENJOY THE DAY.









Cut & Thrust, Armored Combat, Classes,

Dancing, Feast, Bardic, DnD Oneshot and other Halloween themed activities for adults and youth alike! So much to do, we'll be sure to get your head spinning!





October 21st 8am to 8pm. First Christian Church

927 Faraon Street. St Joseph, MO 64501

Non-Member Registration \$15

Member Registration \$10

Youths 6-17 \$5

Children 5 and under Free

Pre-Registration Feast \$10 per seat

> Feast at Gate \$12 per seat

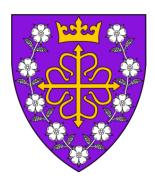
No Camping or Archery this year.

For Pre-Reg on Feast and further questions please contact: Event Stuward: Æsa Járnauga

Vertigo@lostmoor.Calontir.org

816-683-2083

Kingdom Arts & Sciences



Nov 4th, 2023

Site Opens 8am & Closes 8pm

In the Shire of Crescent Moon

Auburn Community Center

121 W 11th St, Auburn, KS 66402

REGISTRATION:

Adult Event Registration—\$20 Adult, Member Discount — \$15 Youth 6-18 — \$5 Children under 6 — free

Make checks payable to Shire of Crescent Moon

An Inn will be provided by the Shire

Event Steward Moon Hides the Sun MKA Jason Palenske

jasonpalenske@gmail.com 785-410-8468

Site is Wet Indoors Only

TOYSFOR TOTS TOURNAMENT

The Shire of Wyvern Cliffe invites you to join us.

November 18, 2023

Thomas Jefferson Middle School:

1201 Fairgrounds Rd, Jefferson City, MO 65109



8:30 am Site opens

9 am Authorizations & Inspections

11 am Novice Tourney11 am Steel Tourney11 am Youth Tourney

* TFT Tourney to follow*

8 pm Site closes

Court will be at TRMs Discretion

REGISTRATION

Adult Non-Member: \$25.00

Adult Member Discount \$20.00

Youth ages 12-17: \$5 Children under 12: FREE

Make checks payable to SCA, Inc.

-Shire of Wyvern Cliffe

Event Steward: Dominius de Passelet — Scott Paisely

573-680-8323 **NO calls after 9pm**dominiuspasselet@gmail.com

Co-Event Steward: Mistress

Elianor de Morland — Jessica Long

573-230-4866

NO calls after 9pm

Calontir.lady@gmail.com

Awards for the most toys donated by a GROUP and INDIVIDUAL

Novice Tournament: Must not have an AoA level fighting award and have not won a tournament before. The tournament is an open weapon system. Single or double elim. decided day of.

Steel Tournament: The tournament is an open weapon system. Single or double elim. decided day of.

Youth Tournament: The tournament is an open weapon system. Single or double elim. decided day of.

TFT Tournament: Open to all authorized fighters. The tournament is open weapon system. Double Elim.

Entry fee is 1 toy of \$5.00 value per tournament entered. \$5 cash donation per tourney is an acceptable alternative

TOYS FOR TOTS

TOURNAMENT

The Marine Corp needs your help! Bring as many toys as you can and help families have a happy Holiday. The Marine Corp only accepts NEW toys, please try to give toys that are a minimum of \$5 in value.



Kris Kinder

A Winger Marketplace hosted by the Barony of Forgotten Sea

<u>Date:</u> December 9th, 2023
Site opens at 9am CST
and closes at 6PM CST

Adult Event Registration: \$15 / Adult Member Discount Reg.: \$10 / Ages 17 and under free

Make checks payable to SCA, Inc., Barony of Forgotten Sea

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MKA: Robert Welch

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MKA: Holly Cochran

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HL Ysabel de la Oya

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Take a trip to a medieval marketplace and buy your favorite SCAdian a Yule present.

Location: The Lutheran High School of Kansas City, 12411 Wornall Rd, Kansas City, MO 64145

Directions to site: From 435 Exit 75A towards Wornall Rd, Turn south onto Wornall Rd, Turn Left on W 124th st.

Please visit our website for information about pre-registration, nearby hotels, venders, and more! https://sites.google.com/site/kriskindermarket/welcome

Merchant fees \$50/table. \$40 each additional table.

If you need more space than table space will allow, please reach out to our merchant coordinator.



December 2, 2023

Hosted by the Barony of Coeur d'Ennui

Cobblestone Inn and Suites 1900 Lakewood Drive Boone, IA 50036

Hotel Special Rate available!

Group Name: SCA Event

Reservations Deadline: October 21, 2023

To Reserve a Room: Call the hotel directly at: 515-212-8823

or 888-693-8262 mention the SCA Event on Dec. 2, 2023 for

special pricing.

We will have limited space for merchants, registration information is coming soon!

Site (gate) Opens: 8:00am

Site Closes: 9:00pm

Event REGISTRATION:

Adult Event Registration: \$ 20 ~ Adult, Member Discount:

\$ 15 Youth (17 and under): free

Feast: Adult: \$ 15 ~ Youth (10 and under): \$5

Make checks payable to SCA-Coeur d'Ennui

DIRECTIONS - GOOGLE MAPS: https://goo.gl/maps/uNKdeZzsBGXbNkia9

From I-35, take exit 111A/111B towards Ames to US Hwy 30 west. Drive 14 miles and turn left onto Crown Flair Dr. Follow the road to the right, turn left into hotel lot. Pay attention to speed limit entering Boone, as it changes quickly.

INN: We are still working on final arrangements for the Inn, more information coming soon!

FEAST: Our head cook for this 50 person feast is HL Agnes von Heidelberg and is based around venison that was furnished by one of our young Baronial Hunters.

POST REVEL:

The hotel generously has allowed us to continue to use the main room after the event for folks to gather.

EVENT STEWARDS:

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Ldy Gisele de la Fontaine Jessica Van Essen - moas@cde.calontir.org **Feast Steward:**

HL Agnes von Heidelberg

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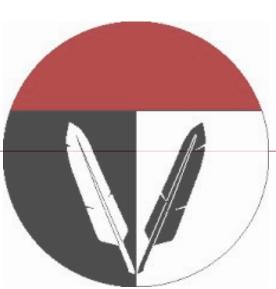
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FLYER GUIDELINES

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/ For information on how to submit a flyer please visit: https://www.calontir.org/chronicler/

Flyers MUST contain these SIX ITEMS:

- Day month and year of the event
- Site open & close times for populace
- Name of the sponsoring group or groups
- Location of the event. The name of the event site, and full address.
- Name, both SCA and Modern, of the Event

- Steward, including contact phone and email. (Needed if there an emergency / or issues arise)
- Details of Registration : Do NOT use "FEE" as a describer for registration cost.

Adult Event Registration: \$25 / Adult Member Discount Registration: \$20 / Youth (6-17) \$5 / Children 5 & Under: FREE

Event Copies: An Editable version of your flyer MUST be sent. PDFs ARE NOT ACCEPTED AND RETURNED FOR EDIT.

Deadline: The Chronicler must receive event copies no later than the 1st of the month TWO MONTHS PRIOR to your event. (e.g. if the event is in November, the flyer must be received by September 1st.) 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!