

2025 Quarter 3

The Barge



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Calontir Calendar

October

Chillies (Winterfylleth)

Thursday, October 9 - Monday, October 13

Kelsey Short Yourth Camp

17980 Collins Rd, Smithville, MO 64809

Robin Hood's Men in Tights

Saturday, October 256

Westumbria

709 Main, Raymond, KS 67573

November

Kingdom Heraldic, Scribal, and Dance Symposium

Saturday, November 1

Axed Root

2400 Oakwood Rd, Ames, IA 50014

Fall Crown Tournament

Saturday, November 8

Crystal Mynes

2851 S Chapel Rd, Carthage, MO 64836

Toys for Tots

Saturday, November 15

Wyvern Cliffe

201 Fairgrounds Rd, Jefferson City, MO 65109

December

Midwinter Knight's Dream

Saturday, December 6

Theobald College

3725 East 9th Ave, Winfield, KS 67156

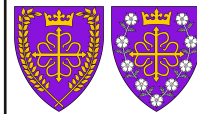
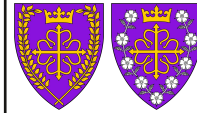
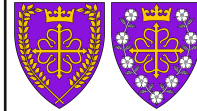
Kris Kinder

Saturday, December 13

Forgotten Sea

12411 Wornall Rd, Kansas City, MO 64145

Royal Progress
Majesties Highnesses



Court Reports

(Regarding Baronial Members)

Gryphon's Fest

Jamette de la Roche - Torse
Caspar von Gorlitz - Torse
Alcione de Louens - Calon Lily
Anne Renarde - Court Baronage
Helenos Ben Simon - Calon Lily
Gwendolyn verch Morgaine - Cross of Calontir
Padraigin an Einigh - Cross of Calontir
Selene of Lesbos - Cross of Calontir

Chillies (Winterfylleth)

Balthazar de Lumiere - Cross of Calontir
Johannah al Tehrani - Laurel
Anne Renarde - Order of the Mark

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A Letter from the Baronage

U nto our fair Barony do we, Gwynneth and Dagny, send warmest greetings! Here we are on the eve of the fall season (if the weather ever consistently cooperates, that is), and with that, we plunge into the busy season of eventing before the Yule holidays.

This year, Birthday Bash was lovely. There was lots of good food, a fun Baronial Rattan Championship, recognition of good folks, and a lot of laughter. The weather cooperated for the most part as it did not really get steamy until after Baronial court. Congratulations to Master Jack Banyard, our new Rattan Champion.

In August, under the leadership of His Grace, Sir Hirsch, we held a massive demo at EnchantiCon at Union Station. It was a busy three days of fighting, classes, and talking to a lot of people.

Gryphon's Fest in September was spectacular. The weather was good, though a Saturday evening downpour moved the night's singing and festivities away from the fire pit to a covered pavilion. During the day, we were treated to lively and well-run Baronial Championship tournaments. Congratulations to Master Ravasz - Steel Champion, Sir Dirk - Archery Champion, and Noble Cara - Equestrian Champion! (New to the Barony - say hi to Cara when you see them at practices!) Many good people were recognized by TRM Emerick and Kolfinna in Court Saturday; HE

Gwynneth highlighted the good health of the Barony, and eleven newcomers received mugs.



It was a good Saturday evening at Winterfylleth for the Barony: The Honorable Lord Balthazar de Lumier (Lumi!!) received the Cross of Calontir, Mistress Johanna is now Calontir's baby Laurel, and HE Mistress Anne Renarde was named one of the three Premiers of the new Order of the Mark! Elevation of the Premiers will be held at Clothiers, in January, 2026.

Now we are looking forward to Crown Tourney, Toys for Tots, Kris Kinder, and Winter Court.

Speaking of Toys for Tots, we hope that you are able to attend this wonderful event! If you have questions regarding the toy aspect of it, please just ask either of us!

Also - WINTER (COURT) IS COMING! The auction, particularly, is on our mind. If you haven't come to Winter Court yet, please ask anyone about the auction and what it means to the Barony. (Jan. 10, 2026; more info to be announced soon.)

Again, we are proud to be your Baronage and to represent you all when away from home.

We are, as always, yours in Service,
Dagny & Gwynneth
~ *We lift as we rise.*

The Calontir Song Survey

This spring I conducted an informal survey to see how well people knew songs in the "Calontir Playlist". Respondents were asked to rank their familiarity with 43 songs from the following choices:

- I can lead it
- I can sing along if someone else leads
- I can hum along
- I don't know it at all

The survey gained over 50 responses. Below are some highlights:

Best Known:

The song with the most people that could lead it was *Non Nobis* with 68%. That one was a bit of a freebie since it has so few lyrics. There was a tie for second place between *Raven Banner* (52%) and *Song of the Shieldwall* (52%). Warrior's Wyrd came in a close second place at 48%.

Least Known:

The song that the largest number of people said they didn't know at all was *Hind Horn* (68%). Again, that one was a bit of an oddity as Erich is about the only person that tends to lead it. In second place was *Gather Ye Pipers* by Mikal Hrafspa (56%). This is a song that used to be more popular, but I think has fallen out of rotation in recent years. Tied for third place was a pair of lullabys: *Mordred's Lullaby* by Heather Dale, and *Fyrdraka's Lullaby*, by Selene of Lesbos. Both of these have been sung quite a bit in circles recently, so I have a funny suspicion that more people know them than the survey lets on.

Underestimation:

A song that stood out to me as many people saying they didn't know it was *Benevento* by Hyrim de Guillon with 38% of respondents saying they weren't familiar at all. I suspect this is a case of people simply not knowing the name of this song as I regularly hear people sing along with it.

Overestimation:

Respondents have a surprisingly high estimation on whether they could lead the song at 40% when asked about *Savage Daughter*. Given how frequently I've heard everyone enthusiastically sing the chorus and then look around in confusion, waiting for someone to help them with the verse, I'm skeptical on this figure.

The Group Sing:

There's some songs that everyone seems to know, but not quite well enough to lead. In first place here was *Drums of War* by Adalyde Heloyz la Cantora with 52% of respondents saying they could sing along if someone else led. There was a tie for second place between *Cheer* by Fernando and Lyriel and *Compact Between Horse and Man* by Dorcas at 52%. In third place was *Battle of Maldon* by Rosalind Jehanne.

Balance:

The song that was the most evenly divided between all four categories was *Conn's Song (The Moon Shines Brightly)* by Conn MacNeill. For this song, 28% said they could lead, 30% could sing along, 22% could at least hum, and 20% didn't know it.



Financial Policy Update

Greetings from your resident Exchequer! We are currently in the midst our fiscal year, and so it's time for an update on our finances. We are doing great in terms of our bank account and have a healthy balance in the bank. Acts of service by volunteering at events we host, being autocrat for an event or hosting a site dinner are great ways to help ensure our Barony continues to be financially healthy! A big thank you to everyone who has been involved in acts of service to our Barony, big or small!

Definitely consider hosting a site dinner! If you don't want to host, come and eat food! This is a great way to support the barony through food, friends, fun, and, of course, donations (\$5.00 min per person). It's like a big family dinner! Site dinners have brought in anywhere from \$250.00 to \$800.00, which sometimes is enough to cover the site fee for the Webster Groves Masonic Temple and/or our storage unit. This can also help us to keep gate fees reasonable for events we host, which is great for everyone!

Lady Apple (B3R Quarter Master) and I will be completing an inventory list of all the items at the storage unit in October. This is required by Kingdom Policy. We will be reaching out to all B3R members who keep gold key items for an inventory list. If you hold Gold Key items, please reach out to Lady Apple.

Below is a list of all officers and their approved budgets. If you are currently an officer and don't have a budget but need one, please bring your request to the financial committee.

Officer	Starting Amt
Seneschal	\$50.00
Exchequer	\$40.00
Knight's Marshal	\$200.00
Chatelaine	\$270.00
Quest	\$250.00
Scribe	\$200.00
Herald	\$25.00
Archery	\$360.00
Minister of Youth	\$100.00

Our financial policy has been refreshed and updated! It is included in the Barge for your reading pleasure.

Lastly, please come find me at meeting or contact me by email if you have any questions or would like specific information about our account or attend one of our quarterly officers meetings.

Yours in Service,
Rivka bat Zakarriyya



1. Financial Committee and Financial Policy

- a. The financial committee shall consist of the exchequer, the seneschal, and the baronage (which shall have one vote total, regardless of the number). All must be active, paid members of the Society. Lapse in membership status will result in removal from the financial committee until dues are paid. At least three members of the financial committee must be involved in all financial decisions.
- b. The financial committee shall meet at least quarterly.
- c. The financial committee, in the person of the seneschal and/or exchequer, shall present annual budgets for baronial offices and one-time budgets for baronial events to the populace during monthly business meetings, asking for a simple vocal yea/nay vote for such expenditures.
- d. Proposed expenditures and budgets should be presented for approval at the Baronial Officers meeting at least 2 weeks prior to the expenditure of funds to allow time for review.
- e. Approved receipts presented for reimbursement should be paid immediately.
- f. Proposed changes to the financial policy will be approved by the financial committee, either in person or via email and must be approved by the Kingdom before becoming effective. The policy will be reviewed each time the exchequer is replaced or at least biannually.
- g. If, due to medical, political, or other extenuating circumstances, the financial committee is unable to meet in person, a meeting via Zoom or another, similar online forum shall suffice.

2. Reporting requirements and schedule for reports to branch administration.

- a. Quarterly financial reports shall be created by the exchequer in accordance with baronial and society regulations and completed by the 15th day of the month following the end of the quarter.
- b. The quarterly financial reports will be submitted to the Barony Seneschal for review prior to submitting it to the Kingdom Exchequer. It also will be available to branch members upon request.

3. Bank Account

- a. All funds will be managed through a group bank account. Under no circumstances may baronial funds be handled through personal accounts.
- b. Two signatures will be required on any check, money order, or other instrument of withdrawal, whether or not the bank offers signature inspection. Automatic teller machine (ATM) or debit cards are forbidden.
- c. Any individual who is a signatory on an account will not sign a check from that account in the name of himself or herself.

d. Signatories on the Account

- i. The exchequer, seneschal, and Kingdom Exchequer (or designated representative) are required signatories on the account. At least one other Barony member should be a signatory with the exchequer's deputy or the immediate proceeding exchequer preferred.
- ii. The signatories may not be related by blood or marriage, or reside at the same address.
- iii. Royalty and their heirs may not be signatories.
- iv. All account signatories must be paid members of the SCA Inc.
- v. Upon being added as a signatory to an account, all individuals will submit evidence of personal legal identification to the bank and legal name, address, and proof of membership to the branch exchequer.

e. The baronial account should never be allowed to fall below \$3,000.00.

f. The group checkbook shall be maintained and kept in the possession of the group exchequer.

4. Methods for controlling cash receipts.

- a. All incoming funds will be deposited before being disbursed for any purposes.
- b. All checks will be endorsed prior to depositing.
- c. All funds will be deposited within ten (10) days of receipt.

5. Disbursing funds.

- a. Reimbursements will only be made for expenses approved in advance by the financial committee.
- b. Reimbursements will only be made within 30 days of the expense and upon presentment of appropriate receipts. Extensions may be granted by contacting the exchequer and seneschal in cases where presenting receipts is not possible within 30 days. FP-109
- c. Event Refunds when Pre-Registration is available: The Event Steward must receive requests for pre-registration refunds in writing, postmarked or e-mailed no later than 3 days prior to the event. Refund requests should include the same information that was submitted in your registration (you should have received an email when you registered). Refunds will only be paid via check from the hosting group after the event is over and the account has processed. A processing fee of \$5 or the PayPal processing fee, whichever is greater, will be charged to all refunds for PayPal reservations.

d. Expense authorization requests should be emailed to the Financial Committee one week prior to the next Baronial Officers meeting to give the committee time to discuss and gather any additional required information. Input may be given by officers and populace, but final approval is made by the Financial Committee.

e. If the Barony dissolves for whatever reason, any group funds shall escheat to the Kingdom or other Society Branch and the Kingdom Exchequer must be notified as to the disbursement of said funds.

6. Event admission charges or complimentary passes.

a. Royalty (including Crown, heirs, and visiting royalty) shall not be charged site or feast fees. They will still be required to sign the gate forms.

b. Barony of Three Rivers Territorial Baronage shall not be charged site or feast fees.

c. All minor site fees will be discounted with respect to adult site fees.

d. Event Steward(s) shall not be charged a site fee. This shall be written into all event bids.

e. Feast Steward(s) shall not be charged a site or feast fee. This shall be written into all event bids that include feast.

f. Food may be provided to servers at feast without charge.

g. The Counting Table staff at Winter Court shall not be charged a feast fee. This shall be written into the Winter Court Bid.

h. Non-members may not receive complimentary passes (SFP VIII.A.8).

i. Contractual obligations may be exempted on a case by case basis.

7. Event procedures.

a. Prospective Autocrats for proposed events must submit a bid that includes the following information:

i. A written description of the event, including activities and proposed site.

ii. A proposed event budget, detailing the estimated income and expenses for this event, including tithes, pre-registration and/or paypal payments, comped persons, as applicable.

Keep in mind:

iii. Registration should pay for the site tokens, camping fees, general equestrian site fee, hall rental, hall cleaning equipment and supplies, general activity supplies, prizes, and anything else not covered by another income source.

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iv. The feast registration should cover the cost of food, beverages, rental equipment, feast tokens, kitchen cleaning equipment and supplies, etc. used to provide the feast. If servers or kitchen help eat free, the paying attendees must cover their costs.

v. Class registration if an additional charge should cover the expenses of any supplies or rental equipment incurred by the class apart from the general site costs, such as craft supplies, or honoraria for a guest speaker..

b. All checks must be made out to "SCA, Inc.-Barony of Three Rivers." All personal checks received in lieu of cash by a Branch will include the individual's name, full address, and phone number. FP-107.

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c. Gate Forms must be completed by gate staff for each transaction.

d. All monies collected at event gates will be reconciled against the Gate Form tally at least daily for multiple day events, and at the closing of Gate.

e. Completing the Gate Forms after the event is expressly forbidden.

f. If the event expenses go over-budget, this will be taken to the Financial Committee for additional approval of funds.

g. The exchequer will report the number of non-members having attended their events within 10 business of the event and forward the appropriate funds and documentation to the Kingdom Exchequer or designated representative within the time constraints set by the Kingdom.

h. All event receipts must be presented to the exchequer for reimbursement within 25 days of the event close.

i. Event reports will be submitted to the Barony and the Kingdom within 30 days of the event close.

Curia Baronis

Baroness:
Gwynneth wraith Rhys

Chatelaine:
Caspar von Gorlitz

Baroness:
Dagny ingen Murchada

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Yngvarr Bjarnakarl

Minister of Arts & Sciences:
Pádraigín AnEinigh

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