

Missive from our Excellencies

Greetings unto this wonderful Barony,

Warlord has come and gone.

As you read this, we are still recuperating from a wonderful, exciting, crazy, hot, event.

Thorin and William did a wonderful job, with limited manpower and multiple unexpected changes.

This was a magical Warlord for us serving as Baron and Baroness. Courts were filled with laughter and tears. The crowds were large and the fighting grand. We have said good bye to our 2017 champions and welcomed new ones, who will have big shoes to fill. We hope that we will be able to show them throughout the year how appreciative we are of them standing with us at events. Now let's repeat it next year!

On another note, the year has so much more planned for the Barony of the Steppes- Just around the corner is King's College (the second Saturday in June). So many classes have been planned- in fact there is a waiting list of teacher's waiting to get in. It will be held in centrally located Ardmore, Ok. Come have fun and learn something new!

Don't forget Populace in the park will be July 1! There will have something for everyone!

Come be a part of the Fun!

Peter and Sarah



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Words from our Seneschal

Greetings Might Oakwood,

I would like to say it has been a busy month preparing for Steppes Warlord, and all that hard work has paid off. Thanks to everyone in the Barony this year's Steppes Warlord was a huge success! Lord William and Lord Terrence did an outstanding job autocrating for us. This Warlord was a busy one with all of the activities we had! I think the three-tier tournament format gave everyone plenty of fighting and sportsmanship. Personally, I hope it remains for a few more years. The kiddos even had a bit of fun on all three fields as well. Thank you to the Roses for their grace as they sponsored the youth in their own Rose tournament. Warlord was a great example of how this Steppes takes care of its people.

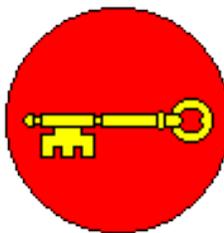
Everywhere I looked there were Steppers, and Glaslyners, at the load-out, hanging banners in the Hall, setting up the list field, helping take down the list field, helping campers pack, and helping to put stuff back in storage. Big thanks all around to everyone.

Mark your calendars for Steppes Artisan taking place on July 7 at the Sherman Municipal Ballroom. We have classes, artisan displays, Children's activities, sewing corner, musician's corner, and more. It promises to be a full day of activity for all. If you wish to teach a class or head-up an activity please contact me (I will be the autocrat for this event)

Steppes is launching Newcomer's academy in July. The first night will be July 9 from 7-9pm at the Fudruckers in North Dallas. 4520 Frankford Rd, Dallas, Texas, 75287. Contact our Hospitaler Notte Claire, Astrid, or Myself for more information.

In closing, it will start heating up here in the south, so hydrate before, during and after events. Take care of yourselves and each other as you travel

We are a Mighty Oakwood,
We are Family,
We are a Barony,
WE ARE STEPPES!



YIS,
HL Aurelia Yverneau Seneschal,
Barony of the Steppes

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Words from our Officers

Greetings Steppes!

Warlord is complete! We had a good turnout this year: 388 total people went through gate. Thank you to all those who turned in receipts at the event, and to our event co-stewards, William Swindell and Terrence ad de Syke for putting on a great event. Steppes earned a total profit of just under \$3950 from Warlord, which almost covers our annual budget, as well as some unexpected expenses.

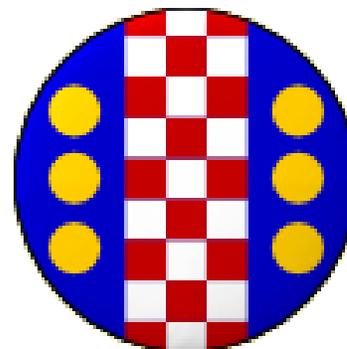
Prior to Warlord, the Steppes account contained \$21039.59, including the Kyngescreke dedicated fund. The financial committee, with input from former Kyngescreke officers, decided to continue to rent the Kyngescreke storage unit in Terrell, TX, until November 2018. At that time, it will be decided to either continue renting the unit in anticipation of the return of the Canton of Kyngescreke, or distribute the assets to Steppes, Glaslyn, or other groups who may be able to use them.

We are still looking for another member of the populace to be on the Financial Committee. This is a fairly simple job and a good service to the Barony. If you are interested, please fill out the standard Ansteorran Officer Application and send it to me, the Seneschal, and our Baron and Baroness. The position is open to any populace member who is a paid member of the SCA.

As always, if you have any questions about the financial policy of the Steppes or the budget, please feel free to ask. We will be reviewing the Steppes Financial Policy at the July business meeting and revising it as necessary for use in 2019, so keep an eye out for more information on that.

In Service,
Cristiana d'Avranches

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Words from our Officers

Greetings Steppes,

We had newcomers borrowing garb weeks to hours in advance of the event. It was great to see all the new faces and help them experience our Barony's wonderful event. They were all over the place - Artisan Enclave, Chivalric combat, water bearing, wandering merchant's row, camping and hanging out (especially in the AC in the hall). Some even pitched in with set up and take down. To all who experienced Warlord for the first time: welcome to the family!! Stay tuned - even more great events and ways to help our newcomers get connected are in the near future!



In Service
HL Alexandra Notte Claire

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Words from our Officers

Greetings to The Steppes,

Tempus fugit! Just over two years ago I was writing this newsletter article for the first time and this will be my last. I'm humbled when I ponder how I followed a man who became our Baron and I will be replaced by – well – let's just say I'm humbled. You can expect great things from my successor in terms of growing our great Barony's rapier program. But allow me to reflect for a moment. When I was warranted into this position I was a bit nervous and unsure of what to do and how to do it, but like most things in the SCA, there are many who have been there/done that, and freely gave of themselves to help me find my way.

Those people not only helped me to get the job done, some of them have been instrumental in helping me to be a better fighter, a better teacher and, I think, more helpful to others as well. I'm leaving this position, but not going away as I have much more to learn, much more skill to acquire, and, I hope, much more to pass on to the next generation of rapier fighters.

Fighter practice continues to be at Heights Park in Richardson each Tuesday at 7:00 pm. See you there.



Yours In Service,
Lord William Swindell
Outgoing Steppes Rapier Marshal

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Words from our Officers

Hello Steppes fighters!

As those before him a mighty warrior has taken up the title of Knight Marshal. He welcomes all veterans and new fighters to attend the Barony practices of Heavy as well as Rapier. He will make sure the fighting is fair and training is there for those who seek it. Fighting will be on the same field as rapier and unless spoken of otherwise will not be canceled unless stated by the normal avenues of communication. His name is Lord Caradoc Cadwgan Douglas, questions are not adverted and a smile is always to be found.

So, if you seek the thrill of a shield wall, the pain of a bear pit and many more fun and diverse things, we look forward to seeing you. Remember to move and remember to breath!

Lord Roland Ussier (Deputy)

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Greetings Steppes!

Again, a new issue of the newsletter is ready for your reading. If you have any stories that you wish to share about events, any other event, or you just want to share your knowledge, please send them my way!

By this time next month, you probably will have a new chronicler as my time ends and I retire.... For now. Don't worry, you will still see me around and of course I will be filling in in the case that things are delayed a bit.

As a friendly reminder, any new content for the newsletter must be submitted by our A&S meeting (2nd Thursday, 05/10) and any regular content by our business meeting (3rd Thursday, 05/17)

In Service
Lady Safiya Spizega
Chronicler of the Steppes



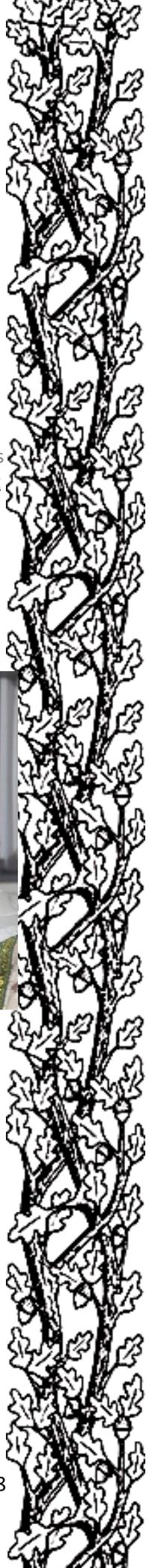
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Words from our Officers

Greetings all. May was a very busy month for the herald's office. The big thing that happened (you are likely to read a lot about it elsewhere in the newsletter) was Steppes Warlord. This was my first Warlord as herald. It was almost overwhelming, and I could not have survived it without the support of some great folks, who stepped in and assisted with field heralding. Also, my deputy Lord Dragos and I tag teamed the courts, which was fun. There was an awesome heraldic consultation table managed by Master Tostig of Rosenfeld. I got to spend several hours there. He and I went through the baronial heraldic library and sorted out what is most useful, as well as what books we have that are out of date and can be culled.

Several individuals received local recognition this month. Maria of the Steppes received the T'anthony, which is an award for baronial youth who excel within the barony. The baron and baroness of Elfsea, William and Cassandra Palfrey, were given the Acorn of the Steppes, our non-armigerous award for local service. Duchess Valeria and Mistress Katerine were awarded the Grice's Track, an award for contributions of service to the martial community. Mistress Honour was given the Heart of the Oak, recognition of long standing and continued service to the barony by someone who already is a companion to the Order of the Oak.

Another major thing is that their Excellencies have announced two new awards. The first is the Boar's Tusk of the Steppes, which is an award recognizing martial prowess, leadership, and teaching within the barony. It was presented to Duchess Conal in court. The second was announced, but not yet presented. It is to be called the Forest Light of the Steppes and will be for recognition of expertise in and contributions to the arts and sciences within the barony.

Several things are on the horizon for heraldry in the Steppes. First off, at the request of members of the populace, I am going to set up a heraldry information and consultation table at the Tuesday Steppes practice. This well attended weekly gathering is a wonderful opportunity to engage the populace, who otherwise might not be able to find a herald. To start, I will plan on doing this quarterly, in July, October, January, and April. This schedule will be adjusted and amended as time goes on due to demand and availability. The next thing of note in the heraldic realm is that I will be teaching a class on August 13th for the newcomer's academie on heraldry and also on choosing and developing a persona. While this is geared toward newcomers, anyone interested in learning more about the basics of heraldry or in fleshing out a persona are welcome. More details to come on that. Finally, I would like to start having a regular heraldic



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Words from our Officers

gathering. The focus of this gathering will vary by month but will include administrative things like cataloging and organizing the baronial library, and also educational topics like learning about the submission process, achievements, heraldic display, voice heraldry (court and field), precedence, and anything else folks would like to see. I am always open to suggestions and ideas. Once I get a date/time/location finalized, I will have it added to the baronial calendar and make posts on all of the relevant lists.

As far as internal workings and name/device/badge registrations, this month was pretty busy, with six new submissions coming in (three of them from Warlord alone), a few re-works for resubmission, and consultation of various levels with several individuals. I have been working with the College of Heralds to try to find a better way of tracking submissions at the group level, as this has been a personal challenge for me. Still going through growing pains and climbing the learning curve. I appreciate everyone's patience, support, and guidance as I learn how to be a herald in the 21st century (or rather in the second half of the first SCA century).

Anyone with questions, concerns, suggestions, etc. with anything heraldic, please contact me via email (herald@steppes.ansteorra.org) or Facebook (Duncan Hepburn). It may take me a day or two to reply, but I do my best to respond to every communication.

Until next month,

Duncan Hepburn
Oakenwald Pursuivant



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Recognition given at Steppes Warlord

With so many courts at the most recent Steppes Warlord (including a surprise roaming court outside the hall on Saturday night), I thought I would try to fill everyone in with all of the awards and recognition that were seen at Steppes Warlord:

Maria of the Steppes - T'Anthony
Honour du Bois - Heart of the Oak
Conal O'Riordan - Boar's Tusk of the Steppes
William Palfrey - Acorn of the Steppes
Cassandra Pelfrey - Acorn of the Steppes
Grice's Track - Valeria Richila Navarro



Words from our Officers



Grice's Track - Katerine le Roux d'Anjou
Steppes Warlord - Sven Randullson
Consort of Love and Beauty - Antigone of York
Grant and below armored tournament winner - Peter McIntyre
AoA and below armored tournament winner - Frederick von Dresen
Youth Combat/Boffer tournament winner - Philip Redgson,
Youth Combat Div 2 tournament winner - Bear Duskinson
Steppes Champion - Guyon Dupre
Consort of Grace and Honor - Adria Lorelle
Grant and below rapier tournament winner - Phelim Gervaise
AoA and below rapier tournament winner - Nils Athenadoros
Youth Rapier Champion - Connor Dupre
Light Steel Youth rapier tournament winner - Aidan Brendanson
Plastic Youth rapier tournament winner - Maria of the Steppes
Archery Champion - Aíbinn ingen Éremón
Novice Archery Competition Winner - Dragos
Steppes Bard - Ysabel de Picard
Brewing Champion - Hugi Orlanderson
Maria of the Steppes - Aquila Aurea (Rapier)
Brendan McEwan - Compass Rose
Arthur of the Fen - Compass Rose
Hakon the Blacksmith - Sable Comet (Glaslyn)
Elizabeth Caton - Sable Talon (Rapier)
Frederick von Dresen - Sable Talon (Armored)
Hrafn Olafsson - Iris of Merit
Abd al=Mahdi Jamal ibn Hakim - Master of Defense
Gavin Mac Giolla Ruiadh - Arc d'Or
Nicollet Deuville - Sable Talon (Archery)
Dane the Red - Sable Falcon
Machteld of Glaslyn - Sable Comet (Glaslyn)
Orlando Giovanni - Sable Talon (Cut and Thrust)

Vivat and huzzah to all of these good gentles!

In service,

Duncan Hepburn
Oakenwald Pursuivant

Words from our Officers

Greetings from the Office of Minister of Arts and Sciences!

A&S will be on June 14th, 2018 - This month is a Fiber Solar @ Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 1333 Belt Line Rd, Garland, TX 75040 beginning at 7 pm. Contact moas@steppes.ansteorra.org for further information.

Scribal Arts on the last Monday of the month @ 3168 Catamore Ln Dallas 75229 - Contact Mistyhosey@gmail.com for further information

Early Instrumental Music meets June 3rd - contact seafox@gypsyheir.com for further information

St. Romanos Chorale meets on the 3rd Sunday every month, in the afternoon. In June, that is the 15th. Contact House Gruffydd (Xene and Llywelyn) for details!

Bardic Practise is held every month at 2305 Overglen Dr, Plano, TX 75074 from 7 pm until 9 pm (please note that this is a hard stop at 9 pm), hosted by our lovely HE Alessandra Desiderio!

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Minister of Arts and Sciences
Barony of the Steppes



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Words from our Officers

Greeting Steppes,

On Saturday some of our youngest wilted even before we met on the field (that or, more likely, they were so engaged at the children's activities inside (put on by our rocking new MOC) that they didn't even think about donning armor in the heat outside). A few of our heartier fighters braved the heat and took to the field (which we quickly moved under the youth pavilion for the shade). In the end there can be only one (in each category).

Congratulations to our newest Jr Warlord: Philip Redgson of Bjornsborg, and our Division II winner, Steppes own, Bearach Duskinson).

On Sunday, to proactively prevent the wilting of our Roses and youth rapier fighters, we moved the youth tournament inside - which was quickly followed by the adult tournaments also moving inside. I think we had better participation all around. Vivat the decision-makers! we had a good turnout in all three divisions. The Roses were gracious with their presence and praise. With their feedback, next Warlord promises to be even better.

Congratulations to Connor Dupre for winning the Youth Rapier Division (I heard his father also fought well in the adult tournament). Congratulations to Aiden Brendanson for winning the Light Steel Division, and Congratulations to Marie of the Steppes for winning the plastic division (I heard she was also recognized for a couple of other really great awards)

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HL Alexandra Notte Clare
Central Regional Youth Boffer and Youth Rapier Marshal

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Greetings to the Barony of the Steppes!

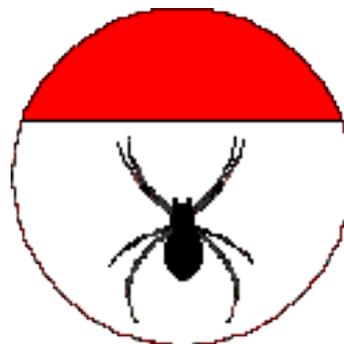
I hope everyone had a good time at Warlord, I know I did! I did my best to keep the website schedule up to date.

We'll have the site for Artisan up soon, keep an eye out

Yours in service,
Hákon the Blacksmith



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Words from our Officers

We are hoping to keep cool during practice as the weather heats up! Come on out to our weekly fighter practices on Monday nights - but if it gets really hot, please check Facebook for updates!

Also, several of us will be helping out with the demos at A-Kon (a-kon.com) over in the vicinity of Elfsea this weekend, so if you're not otherwise busy with King's College, consider coming by to see us!

In service,
Lady Alhdryð ceorlstrange

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I was a great privilege to host the Children Activities at Steppes Warlord on May 26-27, 2018. At the first two-hour sessions we had 22 children whose ages ranged from 4 years old to 16 years old. The second two-hour session we had 23 children whose ages ranged from 1 to 16, and at the final session we had 14 children ages 2 to 16. We made Viking boats, catapults, Viking money, and jewelry. The children learned what a favor is and gave them to fighters of their choice. They also learned how to make pendants and worked on some sewing activities. Some children played board games and colored various pictures. We had a lot of fun. I look forward to spending more time with the youth of our kingdom.

In service;
Cordeilla verch Rosser
MOC at large

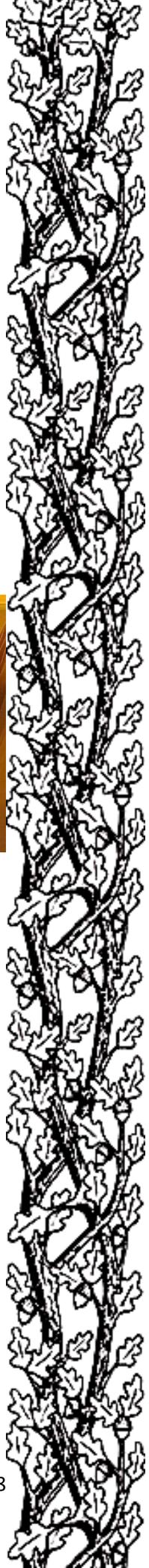


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GLASLYN
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Cordeilla verch Rosser
MOC at large





Words from our Non-Guilds

Call to all brewers!

Barony of the Steppes!

The Brewing competition at Defender of the Flame went fantastically, we had several competitors and it was very close. I'd like to thank all competitors, as well as my judges. It was a pleasure to run, a pleasure to taste everyone's brew, and a very difficult competition.

Warlord is coming up, and SLAB generally has an unofficial brewing competition so bring your brew and documentation.

May 20th, I'll be hosting another workshop. I don't yet know what I'll be making, that is up to the Ladies of Glaslyn. Ladies, message me with your requests and/or decision!

King's College is coming up in June, and I'll be teaching a class on Mead making there, as well as hosting a discussion on how we as brewers can compete at dry locations.

June 17th I'll be hosting a workshop. I'm thinking it's time to do another red wine. But I'll make my decision later, I'm still coming down from my Defender High.

Thank you all!

Guðbrandr Njalsson

Steppes Music and Vocal non-Guild

The Steppes Music Guild has two established working groups, the Instrumental Music group that meets on the first Sunday of the month at 2421 San Paula, Dallas 75228, starting at 2:00PM, and the Vocal Music Group that meets at 302 Sweetgum Dr., Cedar Hill, TX on the third Sunday of the month also at 2:00PM. Both exclude meetings on major holidays or the weekend of local events and will change meeting locations to Populace in the Park or other activities when applicable. Since there's a minimum number of folks needed to have an effective music group, please contact the appropriate person if interested in attending. You don't have to be a highly trained singer or instrumentalist to join us, and we welcome all skill levels. For more information about the guild as a whole contact Herr Marcus at seafox@gypsyheir.com or Master Llywelyn at todd@twmarsh.net. For information about the specific groups, Herr Marcus is the contact for the instrumental group, while Master Llywelyn runs the vocal group. The instrumental group also tries to provide a musical presence at all Steppes events, so if you're unable to make the guild meetings but want to join in at an event contact either one of the folks referenced above to get the music sources used by the guild. And if you're interested in learning the courtly grace of music the guild has folks who can teach lessons.

Da'ud Bob Movie Review: Morning Star



Periodically I will see a movie (frequently, it will be found in the Netflix queue that Anna Sue prepares for me; apparently, she has a lot of spare time in which she can't seem to think of anything better to do than to go find really bad movies for me to review) that just makes me wonder how it is that I missed it when it was made. I see the title and date, and wonder, "How could I have missed that one?" But I'll start watching it, or look it up on-line, and my question will be answered. Sometimes, it's "This movie was only released in a couple of second- or third-world countries before being shipped straight to the bargain DVD bin at your local Walmart." Other times, it's the clue given during the opening credits, like the opening credits for this month's movie, which quite clearly stated, "SciFi Pictures Presents," by which I know right away that this was a cable TV project. And, sure enough, checking it out on IMDb, it quite clearly says "TV Movie 11 April 2009." But that's just the way it is sometimes; not everything is good enough for the

big screen. Sometimes, they can only afford to do it on the cheap and put it on the small screen. Late at night. With lots of commercials. 'Cause somebody's got to pay the actors (and the gaffers. And the grips. And, oh, yeah, the writers and director, too), don'tcha know? Anyway, despite my having (somehow!) missed it when it first came out, Da'ud Bob reviews for you *Thor: Hammer of the Gods*.

Starring Zachery Ty (Home Improvement) Bryan as Thor, Alexis Kendra as Sif, Mac Brandt as Baldur, Daz Crawford as Ulfrich, Melissa Osborne as Freyja, Raicho Vasilev as Heimdall, Vladimir Kolev as Hermoid, Nicole Ennemoser as Hel, George Zlatarev as Vali, and Maxim Genchev as Bragi, the basic structure of the plot is that Thor (who apparently doesn't know he's the son of Odin), along with his friends (led by Baldur) travel to a mysterious island seeking glory and fame. Upon arriving they encounter strange creatures and they start searching the island for answers. Meanwhile Thor keeps seeing visions for a mighty warrior and a big hammer and Freyja tells him that his visions are clues so they start searching for the hammer. An even briefer summary of the plot would be "Vikings vs. Werewolves." No, I'm not kidding. It all comes down to Vikings vs. Werewolves.

Good points: It's only 92 minutes long. The soundtrack music is very stirring in places.

Bad points: Some of the "Viking" helmets look like they're made from plastic and were picked up at the local tourist schlock shop. The flaming dragon's head prow. The round shields are way too small. The acting. Walking about the woods at night, torches held right in front of their faces, thus blocking any ability to see ahead of themselves. Thor's haircut. The weird leather strip fringe around the sides and back of a helmet. Not unlike *The Hulk™*, the werewolves keep their pants on when they change from wolf to person or vice versa. Ulfric draws his sword twice preparing for a duel. (Oops! Continuity problem.) The fight choreography. Why is that one man carrying around a bow and arrows that never get used until near the end of the movie, even though it would have come in handy in a number of battles before then? At night, they carefully crest a ridge to reconnoiter, holding their torches above their heads. Like the werewolves won't see them?!?

Zero breasts. 2½ gallons of blood. 16 dead bodies. Hammer fu. Spear fu. Axe fu. Sword fu. Trip rope fu. Heads roll. Werewolves roll. Finger rolls. Body halves roll. Gratuitous tattoos. (Three Latin crosses on his cheek. Really? And what are the ones on Ulfric's temple supposed to be?) Gratuitous giant sea monster. Gratuitous foreshadowing. Gratuitous "All for one and one for all" moment. Academy Award nomination to Daz Crawford as Ulfrich for "You dishonor the Code." (Following which, I expected someone to say, à la *Pirates of the Caribbean*, "It's not really a Code; it's more of a guideline.") A 79 on the Vomit Meter. 1½ Stars. Da'ud Bob says, "Check it out!"



Calendar: May 2018

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
28 Glaslyn Practice	29 Chivalry Practice Rapier Practice	30	31	1	2	3 Instrumental Guild meeting
4 Glaslyn Practice	5 Chivalry Practice Rapier Practice	6	7	8 <i>KWHSS</i>	9 <i>Kings College KWHSS</i>	10 KWHSS
11 Glaslyn Practice	12 Chivalry Practice Rapier Practice	13	14 A&S Meeting	15	16	17 St Romano's Chorale Meeting Brewing Workshop
18 Glaslyn Practice	19 Chivalry Practice Rapier Practice	20 Bardic Circle	21 Business Meeting	22	23 <i>Bonwicke Artisans</i>	24
25 Glaslyn Practice	26 Chivalry Practice Rapier Practice	27	28 Scribal Meeting	29	30 <i>Kingdom Fiber Arts Symposium</i>	1

- Events in italics are kingdom events

Calendar: June 2018

Regular meetings for May 2018

- ❖ **Mondays 6:45 PM**— Glaslyn Chivalry Practice at North Lakes Park 2001 W. Windsor Dr. Denton, TX
- ❖ **Tuesdays, 7: 00 PM** – Rapier Practice at 801 N Floyd Rd, Richardson, TX 75080.
- ❖ **Tuesdays, 7:00 PM** – Chivalric Practice at 801 N Floyd Rd, Richardson, TX 75080.
- ❖ **Wednesday 18, 7 PM** – Bardic Circle at 2305 Overglen Dr, Plano, TX 75074
- ❖ **Thursday 14, 7 PM**—A&S Night at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church 1333 Beltline Road Garland, TX
- ❖ **Thursday 21, 7 PM**—Business Meeting at Half Price Books. 5803 Northwest Hwy, Dallas
- ❖ **Thursday 28, 6:00 PM**—Scribal Meeting at 3168 Catamore Ln, Dallas
- ❖ **Sunday 3, 2 PM** – Instrumental guild meeting at 2421 San Paula, Dallas 75228
- ❖ **Sunday 17, 2:00 PM** – Vocal guild meeting at 302 Sweetgum Dr., Cedar Hill, TX
- ❖ **Sunday 17, 4:00 PM** – Brewing workshops at 7613 Shoal Bend, Denton, TX 76210

Kingdom Events

- ❖ 06/09 – Kings College at Ardmore Convention Center, 2401 N Rockford Rd, Ardmore, OK 73401, USA
- ❖ 06/08 – 06/10 – Known Worlds Heralds and Scribal Symposium (KWHSS) at Pittsburgh Marriott North, 100 Cranberry Woods Dr, Cranberry Twp, PA 16066, USA
- ❖ 06/23 – Bonwicke Artisans at 33 W Beaugard Ave, San Angelo, Texas 76903
- ❖ 06/30 – Kingdom Arts Symposium First Christian Church, 912 W Walnut Ave, Duncan, OK 73533, USA

Local Offices open for Applications

The current local offices are open for application. Please send a copy of your application to the current officer, Seneschal, and the Baroness. Applications can be downloaded from the Kingdom website.

- ❖ Chronicler – May 31



Calendar: May 2018



Please join **Their Excellencies Peter and Sarah** as they select the next

Steppes Artisan



July 7, 2017

9am -7pm

(8am access for competitors)

Sherman Municipal Ballroom
405 N Rusk St, Sherman, TX 75090



****Site is Dry to non-competitors****

There will be classes, sewing circle, games, dancing, music, and a great showing of Arts and Sciences from around the Kingdom.

Competition

This is a "body of work" competition open to any level artisan. Artisans should include in their displays evidence of growth as an artisan and researcher. Content as well as appearance of your display will be taken into consideration. Be prepared to talk with Their Excellencies and the judges throughout the day. Prizes awarded for Baronial Champion, Novice and Youth (10yrs-16yrs)

Research Papers must be submitted by July 1 to Event Steward.

******No Alcohol allowed on site except for those who will be competing in the artisan competition. Please arrange for plastic 1oz sample cups for use by those of legal age to sample your artistic work. Give notice of alcoholic entries at registration.******

Register at (competition, display, or teach):
<https://goo.gl/forms/DZO9pZaHDIOkC5ks1>



Event Registration

Adult Registration: \$15
Member Discount Registration: \$10
Youth Registration (6yrs -16yrs): \$5
Child Registration (0yrs 5yrs): FREE

Event Steward

HL Aurelia Yverneau
(Nancy Chevalier)
steppes.artisan@gmail.com
(940) 453-1722 (no calls after 9pm)

*Make checks payable to: SCA Inc, Barony of the Steppes

Minors must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. They may also attend with a 21 year or older adult with a signed and notarized Minor Event Waiver Form from the parents.

Directions: Follow US-75 N to N Hwy 75/N Sam Rayburn Freeway in Sherman. Take exit 59 from US-75 N. Turn right onto W Pecan St. Turn left onto N Rusk St.

Calendar: June 2018

Steppes Business Meeting

3rd Thursday of the Month - 7 PM until 9 PM

Is held in the Half Price Book Flagship Store and open to the Populace! If you have topic to discuss and you are not able to come, please send them to our Seneschal to update the Agenda. Officers, the same goes for you.

The Financial Committee Meeting is after Business meeting

Chivalric and Rapier fighter practice:

Tuesdays 7:00 PM at Heights Park, 801 N Floyd Rd, Richardson, TX 75080

A&S Nights

2nd Thursday of the month - 7:00 pm until 9:00 pm

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church 1333 Beltline Road Garland, TX 75040-3267 This is on Beltline, at N Garland Rd.

You will see a large sign for a car wash. Parking is behind the church. This is a monthly meeting, held the second Thursday of each month, for sharing in our interests in the arts and sciences. There are several tables, so bring a project if you have something you want to work on.

Early Instrumental Music Guild Meeting: Once a month—2:00 PM at 2421 San Paula ave, 75228, Dallas. Doors open at 1:30 PM, come early if you need to tune up your instruments. Please contact seafox@gypsyheir.com for more specific directions.

Early Vocal Music Guild Meeting: Once a month—2:00 PM at 302 Sweetgum Dr., Cedar Hill, TX. Please contact seafox@gypsyheir.com for more specific directions.

Scribal and Illumination Meeting: 4th Thursday of the month—6:30 PM to 9:30 PM

Hosted my Mistress Honour du Bois. Every Scribal night will have open charter painting for those who wish to paint our awesome charters as well as some structured classes ranging from beginning to advance techniques as well as original scroll work. We will be planning and working on scrolls for our baronial events too, so bring your ideas.

Glaslyn

Mondays 6:45pm – 10:00pm (Except Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve)

North Lakes Park 2001 W. Windsor Dr. Denton, TX

Directions: From I-35 E in Denton, Texas exit University Drive (Hwy 380). Go east on University Dr. Go north on Bonnie Brae St. Go east on Windsor Dr. Just past the baseball fields, turn left (north) into the parking lot. Continue around as if you are going to the soccer fields. Practice is in front of the basketball court on your right, soccer fields on your left



Opportunities

Sat 04/21 - Populace goes to Perth Street!

Wed 05/30 - Populace goes to Dinner The Londoner 14930 Midway Rd Addison, TX

Sun 07/01 - Populace in the Park (location to be determined)

Wed 07/11 - Populace goes to Dinner Fudruckers 4520 Frankford Rd Dallas, TX 75287

Sat 08/11 - Vetro Glassworks

Sun 09/23 - Populace in the Park (location to be determined)

Sun 10/21 Populace at the Museum

Wed 11/28 - Populace goes to Dinner Razzoo's Cajun Café. 13949N Central Expy Dallas, TX

December Christmas Party

**All events and locations are subject to change-
please watch for announcements and
information
closer to each event**

Populace goes to Dinner

Wed Feb 28- Spring Creek BBQ
Wed May 30 - The Londoner
Wednesday July 11- Fudruckers
Wed Nov 28- Razzoo's Cajun Cafe

Populace goes Out

Saturday April 21- Perth street
Saturday Aug 11 Vetro Glassworks
Sunday Oct 21 Museum visit
Dec Christmas Party

Populace in the Park

Sunday March 25
Sunday July 1
Sunday Sept 23

Social Media

There are many sites on the Web and Facebook for SCA interests. Below are a few. This is in no way an endorsement for any of the groups listed, or a final list. It is just a way to direct people to groups that they might not know about, that may be of interest.

Web:

- ❖ sca.org
- ❖ ansteorra.org
- ❖ steppes.ansteorra.org
- ❖ calendar.ansteorra.org
- ❖ hospitaler.ansteorra.org
- ❖ heraldry.ansteorra.org/honors (Awards)
- ❖ ansteorra.org

Facebook:

1. *Barony of the Steppes* - Unofficial group for the Barony of the Steppes
2. *Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA)*- Official Facebook group for the SCA
3. *Legion of Swashbucklers*: This group is open to all rapier fighters
4. *Steppes Cooks*: This group is for those interested in cooking
5. Steppes Calligraphers and Illuminators Guild
6. Canvas Castle Showcase- <https://www.facebook.com/groups/471086229603006/>
7. Canvas Castle Showcase: Show off your tent, camping furniture, or anything that makes your camping experience more homey
8. Elizabethan Costume- <http://www.facebook.com/groups/29374273995/>

For those people fascinated with the clothing, accessories, hairstyles, cosmetics, etc. of the 16th century. Although the name says "Elizabethan," anything from the Tudor period (1485-1603) is fair game for discussion.

9. Garb for Sale - <http://www.facebook.com/groups/130311470376509/>

For selling clothing, camping equipment, feast gear, period books and services

10. SCA Runway - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/460750480615188/?ref=ts&fref=tsA>

Place for showing off SCA fashion.

11. Tudor Conversations- <http://www.facebook.com/groups/TudorWorld/>

An on-going conversation among like-minded enthusiasts of the 16th century exploring the world of the Tudors, with occasional excursions among the early Stuarts

12. Viking Clothing <https://www.facebook.com/groups/279611679205/>

For all clothes Viking!

13. Vikings of the SCA - <http://www.facebook.com/groups/244158265607631/>

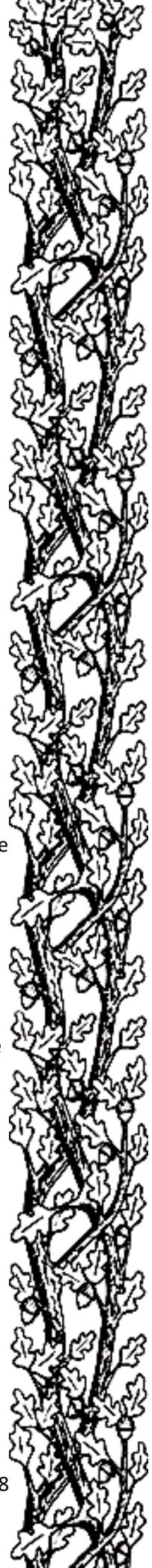
Group for those interested in all things "Viking" related in the SCA.

14. SCA Equestrian - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/34623283817/>

For those interested in Equestrian Arts in the SCA

15. SCA Garb - <http://www.facebook.com/groups/scagarb/>

A group for discussion of researching and making all types of garb for the SCA



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