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**Newsletter for the Barony of Vatavia**



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*Raise a glass, Calontir!*

*Let water refresh you, and rinse the dust of Gulf Wars from your mouth Fill your horn, Calontir! For tales of War, just passed, or long gone, are worth re-telling Toast your friends, Calontir! Wine is sweetest, when it is raised in honor of comrades valor Unto All Folk of Calontir, Our Friends throughout the Known World Do King Hirsch and Queen Magdalena let these words fly like falcon's cry Great were the deeds of Gulf Wars XXX Our Calon Host gained glory on all fields. Calontir's keen-eyed archers, with arrow, quarrel and thrown weapons showed great skill. With rapier and steel, with armor and rattan, Our martial fellows did follow Our Generals to valor and glory! Our artisans displayed skills and products, and their prowess at teaching once more fills Our hearts with pride for the culture that is throughout Calontir. Our equestrians rode gloriously, and the hoofbeats of war, still sound in our hearts and minds, as we bask in the fun that our people shared, with each other, with Us, and with friends old and new at this Gulf Wars. These memories will last forever, whether or not the tales grow with the telling. Thank you, Calontir - one and all. We know that this Gulf was a year with many complicating factors, and we realize that many people contributed who were not able to themselves attend. We appreciate you all.*

*We also have a mind for the future. Soon we will meet Our Heirs, at Crown Tournament! We are so very excited for that day, when we will also elevate Galen MacColmain to the Order of the Pelican. It will be a fabulous day. We remain humbled by the love and generosity of Calontir's people*

*Queen Magdalena and King Hirsch Peace. Love. Calontir Forever!*

# *Vatavia,*

*Raise your glasses high!! Campaign Season is upon us, and with it, comes greater numbers of events and activities. As things open up more, with the passing of each season, it is truly inspiring to see the populace encouraging each other, supporting and helping one another grow in skills and confidence. Please continue to build each other up, for building a supportive strong family and community is what makes Calontir the home of the Heartland we love. We do need to still be mindful, and to take care to use precautions when it is deemed necessary. There are many who are still fighting the battles of illness.*

*A Call throughout our lands to join us for the Spring Wichita Ren-faire. It is the largest demonstration, recruitment and fundraising activity in the Barony. This is our time to shine!! Let's share the fun and excitement of what we do.*

*Fast on the heels of Renfaire will come our 41st Tournament of Valor on Memorial day weekend. We are confident that Tove and Matthias will continue the long traditions and make this a Valor we will all remember. Please donate your time and energy to help extend a warm welcome to our guests.*

*We Culminate this season with a call to war. The great lands by the waterside where we come together with our friends from across the known world to celebrate a war with no enemies - Lilies. Please join us for a fun-filled week.*

*You are always in our hearts and minds,  
In faithful service and love,  
Lawrence and Genevieve  
Baron & Baroness  
Barony of Vatavia, Kingdom of Calontir*

## FROM THE SENESCHAL

Greetings Vatavia!

I am attaching a link that outlines our current Guidelines for Event Attendance as of 4 March 2022. [Calontir COVID Guidelines for Event Attendance \(Update\)... – Kingdom of Calontir](#) First please respect others who still want or need to mask and social distance from others. On our inside meetings at this time, we all must mask, but no need for outside unless you are required to or want to wear a mask. We still need to verify everyone's Vaccination card or a Negative Covid test result with-in the last 72 hours of the Activity/Event. I will try to remind everyone on what our current restrictions are on the Calendar and Event/Activity posts that you are wanting to attend. Also please read all the information that is on Event Flyers for Details on their Event/Activity Posts. Feel free to message me for the current restrictions if you are unclear what the currently are.

We are currently meeting in person every Wednesday for Officer meeting, A&S and Populace around 7 pm at our new location at University Congregational Church, Inc., 9209 East 29th St N, Wichita, KS 67226, USA. Meet us on the South side of the building and entrance will be through the ADA Ramp door. On Sunday's we are meeting for some more A&S and Fighter Practice at O J Watson Park, 3022 S McLean Blvd, Wichita, KS 67217, USA. It is on the north side of the park by the Horse Stables. Come on by and see old friends and hopefully make new ones. Check the Herald (newsletter) that their Excellences put out every couple of weeks or so for any currently details. I try to update the Calendar as soon as I can after each of their Posts. You can find the Baronial Calendar at <http://www.baronyofvatavia.org/>

Officers please do not forget to submit your 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter reports into Kingdom by April 15<sup>th</sup>. Also please send me a courtesy copy so I can add it to my report.

Please stay safe! If you need anything, please message me, or send me an email of your concerns or needs and I will get back to you as soon as I can.

A Thank You to everyone for all that you do.

Yours in Service

Robert Steven MacLaren—Aka Robert the Scot

Seneschal—Barony of Vatavia

## FROM THE EXCHEQUER

From the Exchequer:

I am pleased to announce that due to a successful Winter War Maneuvers, the current bank balance is \$17,145.80. The next funding opportunity for the barony is the pop booth at the Great Plains Renaissance & Scottish Festival on April 9th and 10th. I am currently looking for volunteers to man the booth for all time periods both days. Any assistance you can give to ensure the financial health of the barony is most appreciated. Remember that those who volunteer for the barony get free admission to the Festival. The more who volunteer, the less any one person has to do. Following that, the next major volunteer/fundraising opportunity will be Valor 41 on May 27th through the 29th. Please consider volunteering with the event autocrats/stewards. If there are any questions I can be reached at the Baronial website email [exchequer@baronyofvatavia.org](mailto:exchequer@baronyofvatavia.org)

YIS Úlfr Halfdan

## FROM THE HOSPITALER

From the Chatelaine

Good gentles of Vatavia,

By now we have come through another Spring Renfaire season, and I want to thank all of those who came out to help us put on a good show. However, it doesn't stop there. We need to remember to keep the positive attitude going, keep people in the know on all the great things we do within our Barony. As has been said time and again, at heart we are all Chatelaines for Vatavia. And, indeed, for Calontir.

If any of you are in need of business cards, bookmarks, and/or brochures, let me know and I will be happy to resupply you. And do join me in keeping your eyes and ears open for our next Baronial demos; our wonderful demo coordinator, HE Marie Chantal, is always working hard behind the scenes, and we should all give her proper thanks for everything she does. As winter fades and spring begins in earnest, I feel sure that brighter days and more demos are ahead. So let's make our Barony shine together.

Ever in service,  
Johann  
Baronial Chatelaine

## FROM THE KNIGHT MARSHAL

Greetings from the Knight Marshal of Vatavia.,

For the Spring we have moved back out to our outdoor Fighter Practice at O J Watson Park, 3022 S McLean Blvd, Wichita, KS 67217, USA. We are on the north end of the park across from the Horse Stables. Heavy Armor and Cut & Thrust will begin at noon but will switch to 11:00 am when the Weather is a little nicer. I will be stepping down in April and will have a replacement soon. Please keep in mind the CovidSafe Policy that is in affect for our Kingdom. The Policy will be enforced during practice. You can read them in full here: <https://www.calontir.org/calontir-covid-guidelines-for-event-attendance-update/>

In Service,

Lord Brynjólfur 'Brynki' Fálkason

## FROM THE CUT & THRUST MARSHAL

The Barony of Vatavia has had an amazing and eventful last couple of months. First - First up, Winter War Maneuvers was a great success as we had over 20 participants in prep for Gulf War XXX. This not only included mainly C/T fighters but also crossover fighters from Heavy as well. This year also included 5+ C/T authorizations and 10+ C/T Spear authorizations. - Also, during WWM, Sir Wulfric was named General of the Steel Army for Gulf Wars XXX. Herr Joachim was named his 2nd as Commander. Both led the Calontir armies, in alliance with Annsteroa, to several glorious and honorable exchanges during Gulf Wars and made Calontir proud. - Cut and Thrust will put on demos of sword play at the local Renaissance Faire in the next couple weeks. This will also include the local HEMA group for their part in exhibition of skill and engagement - Masters of the Duel will be later in April and will host Herr Joachim teaching two classes. First up will be basics and fundamentals of German Longsword and then followed up with advantages/disadvantages with guard openings. - Lastly and most importantly, Lord Hero has accepted the open duty of Deputy C/T Marshal for the Barony. He will assist Herr Joachim in safety and practice. Congrats!!

## FROM THE ARCHER MARSHAL

Greetings Vatavians,  
The archery season will soon be starting again. Their Excellencies are looking for a new Archer Marshal—in order to have activity this spring.  
It has been my honor to serve in this capacity and I miss seeing all of you.  
YIS,  
Heidi Anne Draper

## FROM THE DEMO COORDINATOR

Greetings Vatavians

As I write this it is 3 1/2 weeks until our first big presentation opportunity for the year. The Spring Great Plains Renaissance Festival April 9th - 10th can benefit from the efforts of all those who can attend. From demonstrating your art or science, fighting, acting as a guide through the Dell for guests, just sharing about our organization or assisting in the pop booth there is something that offers a chance for everyone to contribute. The Festival gives us free admission each day for a minimum 1/2 day's work to make a memorial experience for the guests.

Those who are uncertain what they can offer, shadowing one

of our Festival "veterans" is a great way to get experience. Master Jóhann is putting together a "script" of color commentary to share what he has been entertaining spectators with over the years.

Feel free to contact me if you want to talk about you and the Festival.  
YIS (Yes I've survived) past Festivals and interesting weather.  
HE Marie CD

## FROM THE MINISTER OF YOUTH

Hello! The only thing of note to report this quarter is that I have been in talks with the Autocrats of Valor to do MOY activities.

Yours In Service,  
Lady Fujihara Murasaki

## FROM THE ARTS AND SCIENCES MINISTER

Happy Almost-Spring Vatavia!

The April Renaissance Festival swiftly approaches and I would like to take this opportunity to ask for volunteers to participate in activities in our Arts & Sciences pavillion. We would love to see crafts of all types represented at our demonstration tables. If you would like to help out please email me to sign up at [artsandsciences@baronyofvatavia.org](mailto:artsandsciences@baronyofvatavia.org)

As the weather warms we joyfully take our activities back outside for our Sunday Stitch & Kvetch, April Ren Fest, Valor, and many other events. Unlike fighters protected head to toe in metal, leather, and plastic as they run around on the fighting field, those of us who regularly perform Arts and Sciences activities will be sitting in our thickly fabricked garb, some sewing, some spinning, some weaving, and hopefully some doing many other things.

The only universal is that most of us will be sitting still, in the warm, sometimes hot breeze, focused on our art. As a newcomer to Vatavia I was surprised by last Summer's temperatures and humidity and as an unwavering proponent of both the Arts & Sciences and staying hydrated, cool, and healthy, I would like to remind all our artists and crafters that fighters aren't the only ones who will get hot and fatigued in the coming heat. Please bring plenty of water or electrolyte liquids for yourselves to our outdoor events, wear sunscreen so your lovely skin doesn't burn, and take stretch breaks at least twice an hour to prevent the unique exhaustion that comes from sitting for hours on end.

I look forward to seeing all of your lovely, unmasked faces at outdoor events, and hope we can all stay hale and hearty, even when the weather is hot and humid.

YIS

Ália Martialis  
Arts & Sciences Minister  
Barony of Vatavia



# OFFICERS' MEETING MINUTES

## OFFICERS' MEETING—January 5, 2022

University Congregational Church, Inc., 9209 East 29th St N, Wichita, KS 67226,

17 members were present or on ZOOM: 11 Baronage/ officers/ deputies/ event staff; 5 members of the populace; 1 child

Several events are coming up locally in the following months. It is uncertain as of this meeting what procedures, changes and recommendations will be made regarding the slow increase in COVID cases. There could be changes made at Coronation this Saturday January 8<sup>th</sup>. Any changes or updates will be posted and disseminated as soon as received. Their Excellencies have asked the populace to contact Them and/or the Seneschal with concerns and feedback as to how Vativa might respond to this situation. At this point in time it is still up to each local group as to how they proceed.

February 19<sup>th</sup> is Winter War Maneuvers here at the YMCA Farha indoor soccer fields. No outside food is allowed; but the site has a concession stand. Special permission has been obtained to have water bearing done. Members will need to supply their own drink container. The Chatelaine will have the loaner garb available. Ly. Tove is responsible for registration and has posted a sign-up sheet. Valor is scheduled here for May 27<sup>th</sup> -May 30<sup>th</sup>. The event stewards are Ly. Heidi and Ld. Matthias. People interested in helping host this event should contact them.

January 22<sup>nd</sup> the local Midwinter Merriment to be held at the new site which is also the location of the Wednesday meetings. There will be a pot luck served accordingly to current guidelines, with Their Excellencies providing the protein. There are several competitions planned and activities including dancing, sing-a-long, and a white-elephant gift exchange with a \$10 maximum cost. There will be a site fee of \$5 to help defray some of the expense. The Spring Renaissance Festival will be held April 8<sup>th</sup> for set up and April 9<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup>. Work days will be scheduled to prep Baronial property for this major public presentation. Master Jóhann will be sitting up a Google doc to provide other voice heralds with 'scripts' and sthct to assist with field heraldry.

The *Dragonflyre* was posted January 1<sup>st</sup>. The next quarter publication will focus on projects members are working on. Pictures are encouraged. The usual deadline of the 15<sup>th</sup> of the last month of the quarter which will be March 15<sup>th</sup>. The status of Vativian proposals was given. No current information had been posted as of the meeting regarding them. The Web Minister is working on getting reports, the *Dragonflyre*, and updating listed champions. Social Media is still attempting to locate a program that will cross post to all platforms the group uses. It was discussed about putting some of the project pictures on the outside page of the group Facebook page. The Minister of Youth announced that the Kingdom now had a MoY Facebook page available for any interested member.

The Stitch and Kvetch is still being held at indoor fighter practice. Classes are scheduled up to April. Anyone with offers to teach or class suggestions should contact Ly. Alia. January 12<sup>th</sup> is a round table discussion for Queen's Prize. Fabric stamping sessions will be scheduled to work on the curtain for the Privy Chamber at War Maneuvers in February. February things will change a bit with the Maker Meet Up moving to February 19<sup>th</sup>, with February 23<sup>rd</sup>, Matthias teaching knot tying. March 9<sup>th</sup> Matthias will be doing Coptic book binding. Dates will be scheduled for ZOOM classes for cross bow making and arrow construction.

The Exchequer reported the most recent bank statement showed a balance of approximately \$16,310. The bank card will be done once the office turn over is completed and the Domesday report turned in. The finance committee will finish setting up the details for the preregistration for Winter War Maneuvers in February and discussing changes needed for the financial policy.

Archery is on hiatus during the winter months. Classes to make cross bows and arrows are planned. There will be an ax (foam) competition at the Midwinter event.

Fighter practice has moved indoors at Exploration Place in the public area, Waterway Hall from noon to 3pm. COVID Safe guidelines are in effect, masking and check in continue. As a public area there will be non-member guest spectators. A cut and thrust tournament is planned for the Midwinter Merriment event.

It was announced that there was a new Kingdom item outlining the steps to handle notification to members when an event has a COVID positive exposure reported. Some groups have suspended in-person activities till mid January. Last minute changes for Coronation have been announced: limiting attendance, limited contact schedule, and required N95 masking.

Quarterly reports are due January 15<sup>th</sup>. Some reports have already been received by the Seneschal and Their Excellencies.

It was announced that member Alexander Mylne passed away December 14<sup>th</sup>. There are no other details at this time.

## OFFICERS' MEETING— February 2, 2022

University Congregational Church, Inc. 9209 East 29<sup>th</sup> St. N., Wichita, Ks 67226

14 members were present: 11 Baronage/officers/deputies; 3 members of the populace

Due to the weather this meeting was conducted on ZOOM. It was stressed that members read the *Weekly Herald* where announcements are and also links for meetings, events and calendars. All information there is re-posted on the Baronial website. The Kingdom masking policy is in effect for all meetings and events. Masks must be N95, KN95 or KF94. Surgical non-cloth, three layer non-permeable masks are allowed ONLY under helmets that cannot accommodate the other required types.

Winter War Maneuvers is here February 19<sup>th</sup>. Preregistration is open; and, the web page is up. It is confirmed that His Majesty will be attending. So members are encouraged to get award recommendations in. No food or water is allowed on the fields. There is a concession stand with an enclosed dining area. There will be no scheduled lunch break. It was requested that 4 wheel wagons be provided to help move equipment. Robert the Scott is in charge of crash space.

The Midwinter Merriment event is working on a new date and a location. Court will be held February 16<sup>th</sup> at populace. Spring Ren fair April 8<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>. Ly Heidi and Ld. Matthias are the event stewards for Valor XLI (41).

The Exchequer reported a balance of \$16,248.97. He is still working on tracking down the check sent to Kingdom that has not cleared the bank. The signature card needs to be updated. It has been delayed due to work and weather.

The Chronicler's deadline is March 15<sup>th</sup> for all submissions for the *Dragonflyre*. It is asked all pictures submitted have a little bit about what the picture is. Stitch and Kvetch continues with fighter practice. Whenever Midwinter Merriment is rescheduled there are card illumination and anything made for your persona competitions. February 23 Ld. Matthias will be teaching basic knot tying; March 9<sup>th</sup> he will do Coptic bookbinding. A date is being determined to stamp the fabric for use at Winter War Maneuvers. The Hospitaller would like to schedule a class by Ly. Deidre on disguising modern items for a more period-esque atmosphere.

Cut and Thrust had its first indoor practice at Exploration Place January 2<sup>nd</sup>. It is hoped there will be more authorized cut and thrust fighters after Winter War Maneuvers. All fighter practices will resume this weekend in the Water Way Hall at EP. A special event there February 13<sup>th</sup> may cause a conflict. Information will be provided as to any changes as possible. The fighter masking policy was repeated. If anyone is unable to purchase the required mask a few extras are available from the Seneschal or Their Excellencies. HE Galen will have some at Winter War Maneuvers.

The Archer Marshal will be working with Their Excellencies to plan the crossbow making class as either a door drop of measured wood or an arranged or an arranged time together to work. An interested individual is needed as archer deputy or just someone interested in running archery shoots. HE Galen will be doing an arrow making workshop. Information on the workshop will be posted on the Calontir list.

The Gulf War muster has started. Members are encouraged to sign up and provide the area needed for their tent, even if there is a possibility they might not go. The land allotment for camping is based on the muster. After Gulf Wars fighter practice will move back to the park.

Officers were advised to keep copies of their reports. Do not throw them out. Problems have been occurring on both the Society pages and the Kingdom. Some quarterly reports sent in never arrived.

The passing today of Sir Stephen Grimfalcon du Norfolk was announced.

## OFFICERS' MEETING—March 2, 2022

University Congregational Church, Inc. 9209 East 29<sup>th</sup> St N,  
Wichita, KS 67226

17 members attended: 12 Baronage/ officers/ deputies/ event stewards; 4 members of the populace- 2 on ZOOM; 1 child

Her Excellency thanked all members working to make Winter War Maneuvers a success. Our biggest demonstration of the year is coming, the Spring Renaissance Festival April 8<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>. Our Hospitaller Master Jóhann is producing a 'script' for use for voice heraldry in the Dell.

Valor XLI is looking for volunteers. Contact Lady Tove or Lord Matthias. The Minister of Youth has been officially asked to do youth activities.

The Arts and Sciences Minister thanked the Barony populace for their help and support in keeping A and S running and keeping her informed during her recent real life demands. Her deputy, Sarah, has been filling in during her absences. Sarah has also offered to run a ZOOM A and S bardic and story telling March 16<sup>th</sup> when no populace is scheduled. The Stitch and Kvetch during fighter practice at Exploration Place have been well attended. Marie thanked those individuals who helped when there were numerous guests in the practice area.

May 9<sup>th</sup> Matthias will do a class on Coptic bookbinding. A glass bead making class was proposed for April 13<sup>th</sup>. Logistics were discussed with a combination of a limited number, hands on class that would also be ZOOM-ed suggested. A medieval-izer class on how to disguise modern items is being considered for May.

No demonstration requests have been received or scheduled. There is no new information on heraldic proposals. The Chronicler's deadline for submissions is March 15<sup>th</sup>. The theme is anything made for your persona.

The Web Minister is updating the site and looking at a database to handle the email. Social Media will be considering other platforms to use once the Facebook meets all compliance guidelines and is official. At this time it is requested any questions on Social Media go to the Seneschal while the Minister is in school. It was stressed again that members leave requests to join the Facebook group to the moderators to accept.

The Exchequer reported the missing check at Kingdom as yet has not been located. The signature card updating is waiting on Kingdom. There is a balance of \$16,183.39 as of the last statement. After expenses Winter War Maneuvers made over \$400. The specifics on tithing and Kingdom specific events, like Coronation, were explained.

Archery practice resumes in April, weather permitting. The Archer Marshal will be stepping down. The Knight Marshal has announced that he will be stepping down April 24<sup>th</sup>. Applications for both positions will be accepted until March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

It was announced there would be no heavy/armored combat or cut and thrust this Sunday the 7<sup>th</sup>. There will be practice March 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> at Exploration Place. March 27<sup>th</sup> both practices will move back outdoors to OJ Watson Park. It was announced that after Winter War Maneuvers Calontir has 32 cut and thrust spear authorized fighters, three times the number of all other Kingdoms in the Knowne World combined. Fighters going to Gulf Wars were advised to make sure their fighter cards are up to date and to take multiple copies to the War.

Due to proposed calendar schedule changes, the required bid for Vavaria to host the Spring Kingdom event in 2023 could be affected. Therefore bids for both Crown Tourney and Coronation are to be in to Their Excellencies and Seneschal by March 23<sup>rd</sup> for consideration, before the Kingdom deadline of April 8<sup>th</sup>. The cascade from the new schedule could also affect

the date for Winter War Maneuvers.

A possible meeting site was mentioned. Their Excellencies and the Seneschal keep a list of possible sites. Suggestions should be sent to them. Recommendations for both Kingdom and Baronial awards can be made by anyone. There are issues with both electronic listings. There is a complete updated hard copy list for local members for both Kingdom and Baronial awards.

## FINANCE MEETING— January 5, 2022

A meeting of the financial committee was held at the University Congregational Church, Inc., 9209 East 29<sup>th</sup> St N, Wichita, KS 67226, January 5, 2022 after the monthly Officers' meeting. Committee members present were Kris Griffith-Bumgardner/ HE Genèvieve de Chambéry; Dr. Larry Bumgardner/ HE Lawrence Taillefer the Leech; Robert Botkin/ Ld. Robert the Scott; Kurt Jones/ Ld. Konrad von Roth; Kevin Larsen/ Úlfr Halfdane- incoming treasurer and representative for the populace; and Mary J. Day/ HE Marie Also in attendance were 3 other members and 2 on ZOOM.

The online paperwork for SCARS (Society for Creative Anachronism Registration System) was completed for Winter War Maneuvers. It was moved and seconded to use this program and accept the 3% fee per registration. The motion carried. Registration will open on January 18<sup>th</sup> and close February 12<sup>th</sup>. There will be registration open the day of the event. The SCARS list of complimentary passes was made for Their Majesties Calontir and Ansteorra and Their Highnesses Vindheim. The event website and flier will be updated with the registration information.

Members have received a copy of the October 2020 Vavarian Financial Policy. Needed changes and clarifications were discussed. The signature page will be updated for the current committee members and the changes in office holders. Re-wording for Appendix VII 1.a. was discussed. It was recommended to change VII 1. from Reigning Royalty to Royal Family. For VII 1.a. there was a discussion only about how to clarify the interpretation of wording, "Required pass by Calontir Financial Policy."

A check was made to University Congregational Church for Wednesday meetings only for the month of January. This expenditure was already in the approved 2022 budget. It was noted that meetings could be pushed off; and, that payment can be refunded if policy on meetings is changed to respond to the increase in COVID due to the new variant. There being no other business the meeting adjourned.

Mary J. Day committee recording secretary.



# THEIR ROYAL MAJESTIES MAGDALENA and HIRSCH

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## UPCOMING KINGDOM EVENTS

### April

April 2—Clothiers

April 8-10—Crown Tournament

April 23—Masters of the Duel

April 29-May 1—Unslung Heroes

### May

May 7—War College

May 14—St George & The Dragon

May 21—Queen's Prize/Melees & Mayhem

May 27-30—Valor 41

### June

June 17-26—Lillies

June 25—Calon Con

## BARONIAL GATHERINGS

**Populace Meeting** Third Wednesday, 7-9pm

University Congregational Church, Inc., 9209  
East 29th St N, Wichita, KS 67226

**Fighter Practice** (Armored Combat and Calon  
Steel)

Sundays—12-3pm at OJ Watson Park

For more information contact:

Lord Brynjolfr Falkason

knightmarshal@baronyofvatavia.org

### **Archery Practice**

Archery is closed for the winter

For more information contact;

Lady Heidi Anne Draper

archermarshal@baronyofvatavia.org

### **Officers' Meeting & Finance Meeting**

First Wednesday of the month, 7-9pm

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Open to the populace.

**Arts and Sciences Gatherings** 1st, 2nd, and  
4th Wednesday, 7-9pm

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### **Demos**

April 8-10—Great Plains Renaissance Festival

### **Activities**

## TO GET A COPY OF THE KNOWN WORLD HANDBOOK

Contact His Lordship Friar Thomas

316-685-1182

Handbooks are \$23.00

# Covid Guidelines

Calontir,

We know that the current rules for events and gatherings are changing frequently, so wanted to provide some clarity with where our current Kingdom rules differ from the BoD minimum requirements. This list will also be uploaded as a PDF to the files section if you would like to have a copy available at events or meetings for any reason. If you have questions feel free to ask—Our email is always open, but please apply these in the spirit of safety in which they are intended, refrain from Rules lawyering, and DON'T BE THE REASON WE HAVE TO MAKE ANOTHER RULE.

## **Current Rules for Calontir Event Attendance** (as of 8/5/21)

- These rules apply to both events and local meetings, practices, and gatherings.
- These rules are in addition to, not in place of, the Society level rules from the BoD.
- These rules are the MINIMUM requirements, and local group leadership may enact more stringent requirements if the local health conditions warrant.
- All Local, State, and Federal Guidelines are to be followed, including masking and gathering size limits.
- All attendees to any event, meeting, or practice, must be signed in on a roster including current accurate contact information.
- If you are fully vaccinated and it has been long enough that the vaccine will have reached maximum efficacy, you may choose not to wear a mask while outdoors.
- Everyone must mask indoors, regardless of vaccination status.
- Masks must be worn covering the nose and mouth.
- You may bring your own food to an event and you may share it with others.
- Food may be served in an official capacity, such as an inn or vigil table, with the following requirements:
  - o Anyone making or handling food must be masked and gloved
  - o Anyone serving food or in the preparation or serving areas but not actually handling food must be masked.
  - o If you would usually be required to be masked, you must distance a minimum of 6 feet to unmask for eating or drinking.
  - o Vaccinated members of the populace may be closer than 6 feet outdoors, but must still distance to eat or drink indoors.
  - o Unvaccinated members of the populace must distance at least 6 feet to eat or drink both indoors and out.
- Feasts will not be allowed at this time.
- Water Bearing may be provided from the communal coolers, but only into personal containers, not our traditional shared jugs.

## **Requests from the Crown**

- If you are medically able to get the Covid Vaccine, please do so.
- Please do not attend gatherings if you are not feeling well.
- Please respect the comfort levels of those who wish to follow more stringent masking and distancing practices than are strictly required
- The SCA is an organization of chivalry and community. Please remember these values and help us all set a good example for the rest of the Known World.

## Introducing Glass Bead Types: The Eye Bead

By Ália Martialis

Glass beads are a very common artifact found in archeological digs all over Europe, Asia, Africa, and the Middle East, from periods as old as 3000 years. They are so ubiquitous that there are common styles that can be found across many cultures and geographies. Despite the fragile nature of glass, the shape of beads made of this material makes them sturdy and easily transportable, leading them to become a popular trade item throughout their history.

Over the next few issues of the Dragonflyre I will be highlighting various common historical bead types and reproducing examples in my own torch. If you are interested in obtaining one of these reproduction beads please contact me at [aliamartialis@gmail.com](mailto:aliamartialis@gmail.com).

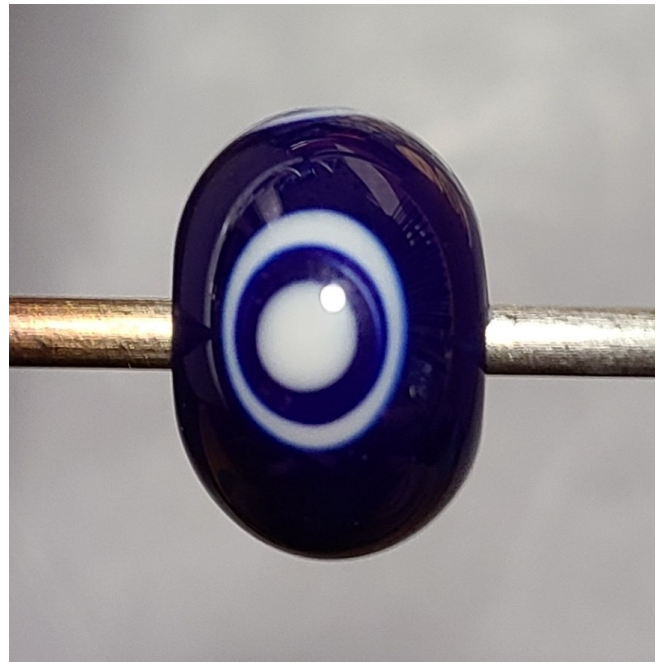
This issue's bead is one of the most common bead types seen in all of antiquity, the eye bead. From what I've seen from my research most examples of this bead can be found in yellow or blue, but they also can be found in other colors. The distinguishing feature of eye beads is the presence of dots of a contrasting color to the base bead. There can be anywhere from a single dot to many dots crowding the surface. The dots can lay flat or raised as bumps. The dots can be applied in layers of contrasting colors making it appear that they are concentric rings, when in actuality from the beadmaker's perspective it is just one dot on top of another dot on top of another dot and then melted down flat on the surface of the bead.

Today's version is common from Roman times. It is a solid blue bead with four layered white and blue dots spaced evenly around the equator of the bead, made by me. Also shown is an extant example from the Mediterranean region from 4-3 century BC (see footnote). The extant version has 6 dots in a staggered pattern around the bead. Both beads are about a centimeter across.

Footnote: Extant bead image source: <https://ancient-glass-beads.com/index.php/2011-10-06-20-22-06/ancient-eye-bead-2-detail>

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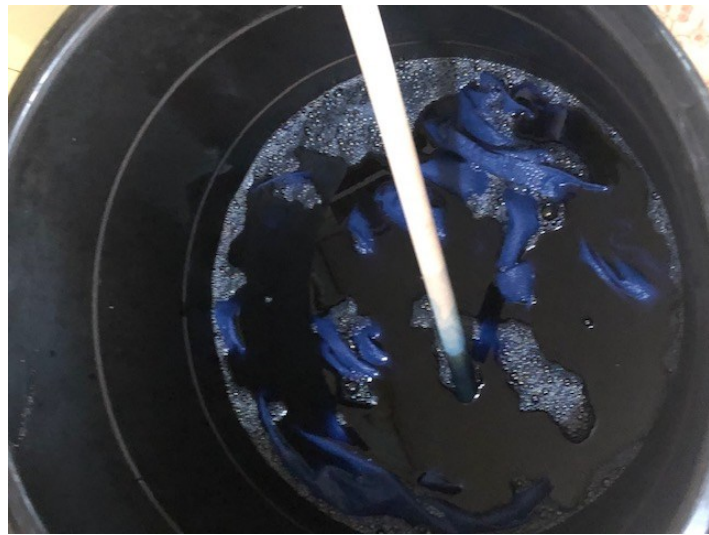


Celtic Knot Work by Robert the Scot

# Upgrading Equipment



HE Genevieve—sewing and dyeing curtains for portable Privy Chambers—with assistance from HE Lawrence, Tove, Joachim, Robert the Scot, and Heidi



Painted Silk Pennant for populace by HE Genevieve



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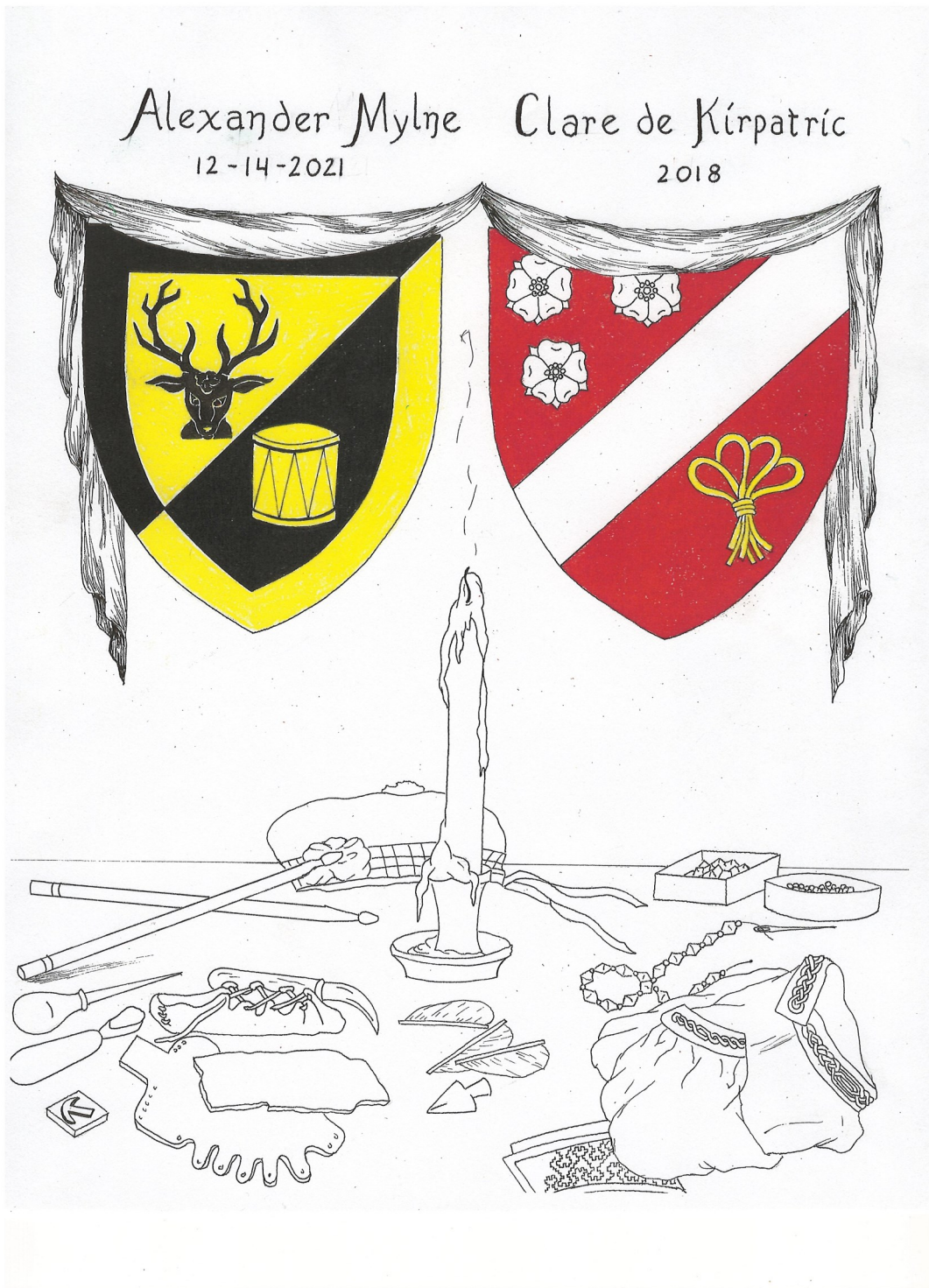


Robert the Scot made new direction signs for the Barony



Robert the Scot put his Coat of Arms on one of his shields

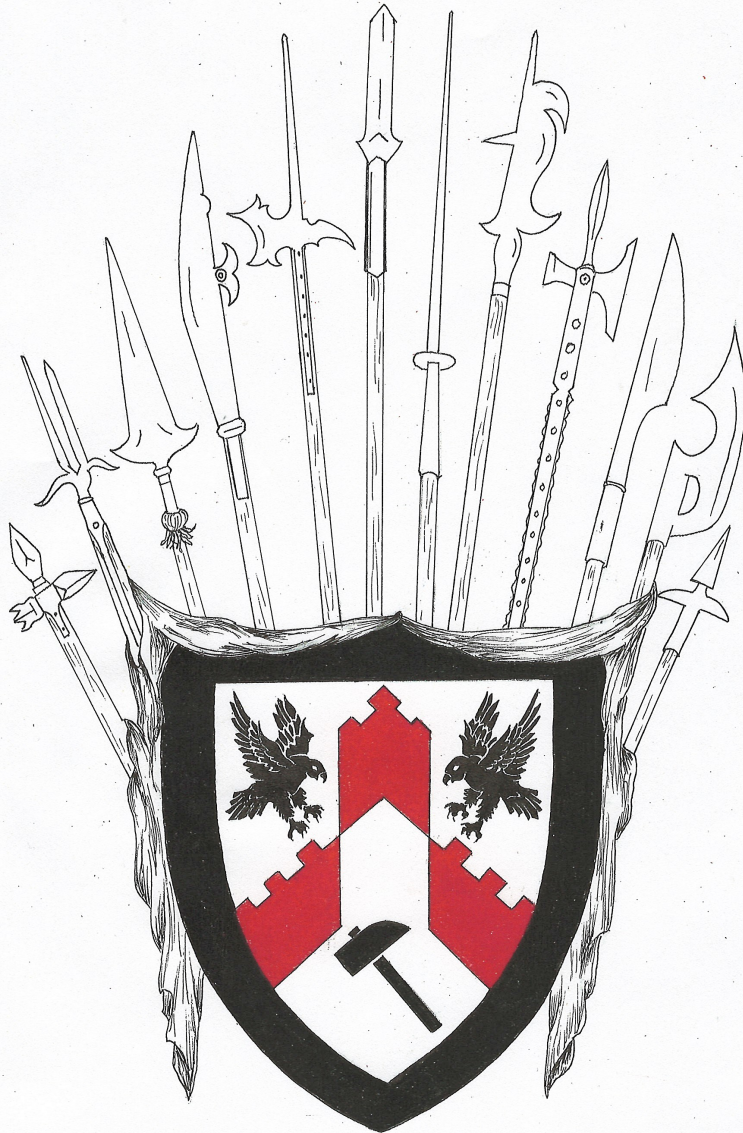
# Heraldry



In Memoriam Alexander Mylne and Clare de Kirpatric  
by Marie Chantal Delaire



# *Heraldry*



*Sir Stephen Grimfalcon du Norfolk*

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15 Fighter Practice A&S	16	17	18 Populace A&S	19	20	21 Queen's Prize Melees & Mayhem
22 Fighter Practice A&S	23	24	25 A&S	26	27 Valor 41	28 Valor 41
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