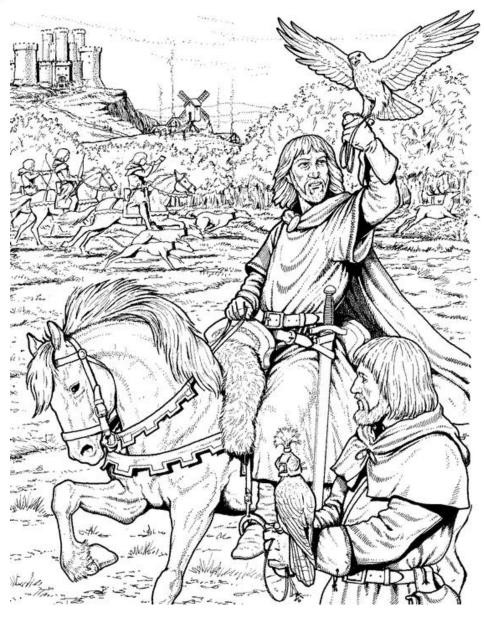


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FROM THE BARONAGE

Unto the populace of Vatavia, Greetings from Their Excellencies,

Calontir is once again fortunate to have a new king and queen! Long live King Damien and Queen Issabell! As you have probably heard, one of their first acts was to officially approve cut-and-thrust combat. It's been a long time in development and we are excited about this new way to have fun.

As you also probably know, Valor is only a month and a half away! An event of this caliber—basically a mini war— takes a lot of help. Lords Ottarr and Robert are working hard to make it happen, and we ask that all Vatavians step up and help out in whatever way they can. From mowing the site, to sitting troll, to clean-up, there is something for everyone.

Lady Catlin has sadly announced her intent to step down as Seneschal. If you are interested in this position, please send letters to both her and us by the end of July. Interviews will be conducted in August so the new person has time to train and get the requisite background checks.

In service, His Lordship Donald Macdonald, Baron Lady Zoe Mikre, Baronossa

FROM THE ARCHER CHAMPION

Good gentles all,

This notification had originally gone out on Vatavia's FaceBook pages, and now I would like to repost it for the benefit of all those who do not use FaceBook. Please forgive the delay.

I am proud to announce that we have assembled a 5-shooter team to represent Vatavia at King's Companie of Archers. Your archery squad is as follows, in no particular order:

- Lord Johann Steinarsson (Team Captain by virtue of Baronial Championship)
- His Lordship Roderick de Graham
- Lord Paul de White
- Lord William Douglas
- Lady Lucia de Vatavia

We will be practicing over the coming months and hope to bring honor and glory to Vatavia. King's Companie is Sept. 7th, though no official link has been listed yet on the Kingdom calendar.

May your arrows fly straight and true. In service, Johann

FROM THE ARCHER MARSHAL

Greetings unto the populous of Vatavia!

This is my first time writing a letter in the Dragonflyre but I don't plan on it being my last. I first would like to thank everyone that has come out to archery practice over the last couple years, helped run the line, helped at demos and events and especially those that have helped at RenFaire over those years. I have been remiss in my duties of thanking people and writing down names to submit to the Baronage for recognition, I plan on changing that and making an effort in the future of making notes to myself of these individuals. The events, demos and Ren Fairs don't happen without a lot of people's help.

Secondly, I want to announce that we are currently doing a Thursday evening practice now! It starts at 6:30 at the Maize practice field (NE corner of 53rd and Maize Rd. behind the bank.) This practice is an open practice to help everyone sharpen their skills for the current archery season. It also allows people that are involved in other things on Sunday during that practice to come out and get some range time in. We will be shooting at Society Seasonal Archery Challenge targets as well as some other targets from upcoming shoots, namely the Kings Companie targets.

Thirdly, I would like to remind everyone that is interested in archery (or any activity) to sign up for the DragonFlyre Online or the Vatavia Facebook page. I often announce when practice may change or if I will not be there due to weather or an event. We also have a Vatavia Archery Facebook page that is open for anyone to join.

Finally, I hope to see as many people as possible come out to a practice or two if you are even remotely interested. We have many sets of loaner bows, arrows, gloves and arm guards for people to try it out and, if the archery bug bites, we can certainly help you find equipment that will suit you! I have been bringing out a couple sets of loaner gear but, if you plan on coming to a practice, please let me know so I can bring extra sets if more than two people are coming out.

Thank you all, Lord William Douglas







FROM THE KNIGHT MARSHAL

Unto Vatavia,

Current Fighter Authorization Card will expire on August 31st, but new ones will be available on the FALCON card website 2 weeks prior to the end of August. All fighter, please be sure to go to www.cardmarshal.com next month and print your new cards, especially with Valor 34 falling right on the cut-off date of the old cards.

Calon Steel (AKA Cut & Thrust) has become an official activitiy in Calontir. Calontir's Fighter Cards have been updated with Cut & Thrust authorizations. Those Cut & Thrust fighters who have already registered on the online FALCON system should have already received an email notification informing you that your new card is ready to print. If you have never registered before, go to www.cardmarshal.com to register.

Though I should have a Deputy Knight Marshal in another few months once Sir Wulfric's becomes a warranted marshal again, I do not currently have one. If any qualified marhals are interested in help out as a Deputy Marshal for the group, please contact me.

While on the subject of fighter marshals, I would like to encourage any fighter in the Barony that has an interest in doing so, to start working towards becoming a trained marshal. We always need more marshals, and it's a great way to help out locally and at the kingdom level. If you are interested, please contact myself and His Lordship Uldin of Ravenscroft (our Regional Marshal - DMWest@calontir.org) to let us know you would like to become a Marshal-in-Training.

In service, Lord Corrigan MacKenzie "Mors Certa, Vita Incerta."

OFFICERS MEETING MINUTES

July 3, 2013 Martinson Avenue Christian Church, Wichita, KS

16 members attended: 11 Baronage/officers/deputies/champions; 5 member of the populace

It was proposed and approved to arrange a regional fighter practice in August. Also in August are the Highland Games and the Cowley County Ren Fair.

The Valor event steward will have a meeting July 10th for deputies. Any others interested in attending are welcome to come. Volunteer sign up sheets are available for those wishing to help with the event. The Caltrop Pursuivant will be recruiting heralds for the tournaments and other heraldic duties during the event. Site clean up is scheduled for Saturday August 24th.

Vatavians were thanked for attending the Exploration Place June fighter practice. July 28th is the next practice there and a demonstration, 'Stayin' Alive' on health, food, medicine and disease.

Arts and Sciences is working to have two classes each month. A Vatavian Calon Steel badge is being designed for registration. Those having difficulty accessing publications on line were advised there is a compatibility issue, especially with Windows 8. It is advised that when the fail screen comes up to right click, then go to save as. Once on your system publications can be opened.

The Exchequer is awaiting receipt of the Harvey County security deposit return and the monthly bank statement. The Web Minister requested approval for \$150 to renew the web site hosting. It will be on the finance meeting agenda for this month.

Fighter practice continues Sundays at South Linwood Park from 11 am-2 pm. It was also announced that two weeks before Valor the new fighter cards will be available. Fighters need to print their cards if they intend fighting at Valor. Those who have not will have to re-authorize that weekend.

Archery practice on Sundays is now from 9 am - 11 am to take advantage of cooler temperatures. It also will allow interested individuals to attend fighter practice and Calon Steel practice. Thursday practice starts at 6:30 pm.

Applications for Seneschal are being accepted till the end of July. This will allow time for the new officer to complete required paperwork and be trained by the current Seneschal.

All officers, marshals and marshals-in-training were reminded to have quarterly reports in by the 15th. The officers were also reminded to get their letters to the Chronicler for publication.

Award recommendations need to be done, especially with Valor coming up. Members were advised that the Kingdom on-line version Captcha portion only requires the first three letters be entered.

The meeting adjourned.

INTEREST GATHERINGS

Populace Meeting

Third Wednesday, 7 pm to 9 pm VFW Post 112, 1560 South Topeka Street, Wichita, KS 67211

Arts and Sciences Gathering

1st, 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 7-9 pm at MACC

For more information, contact: Lady Mor Hoistlair shstrickland21@gmail.com

Sewing Group

1st and 3rd Sundays, 1pm to 4pm as MACC

For more information contact: Lady Deirdre the.ladydeirdre@gmail.com | 316-648-8312

Archery Practice

Sundays, 9-11 AM, at 53rd & Maize Road, Maize, KS Thursdays, 6:30 PM, at 53rd & Maize Road, Maize, KS

For more information, directions or alternate times to shoot, contact: Lord William Douglas idrago75@gmail.com | 316-259-6304

Fighter Practice

April-Sept (outdoor): Sundays, South Linwood Park starting at 11 am, with a once a month appearance at the Exploration Place the last Sunday of the month (300 N. McLean Blvd).

Oct-March (indoor): Sundays, Exploration Place at 12 noon

For more information, contact: Lord Corrigan mackenziefyrd@gmail.com | 316-734-1569

Bardic

Second Thursday at 240 N. Quentin starting at 7 pm

For more information contact: Lord Johann | 316-440-6743

Officers/Finance Meetings

First Wednesday of the month at MACC. Open to the general populace, 7 pm to 9 pm

*MACC = Martinson Avenue Christian Church 1653 S. Martinson Avenue



TO GET A COPY OF THE KNOWN WORLD HANDBOOK

Contact His Lordship Friar Thomas at 316-685-1182

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SCA WEBSITES OF INTEREST

www.sca.org | www.calontir.org | www.baronyofvatavia.org



KINGDOM EVENTS

July 19th-August 3rd: Pennsic 42 | East Kingdom

Aug. 10-11: Feast of Eagles | Cúm An Iolair (S. Johnson Co., KS)

Aug. 17-18: Cross & Compass-The Battle of Crecy | Heraldshill (Charles City, IA)

Aug. 24-25: Cattle Raids | Mag Mor (Lincoln, NE)

Aug. 28-Sept. 2: Battlemoor IV | Outlands (Rye, CO)

Aug. 30-Sept. 2: The Tournamant of Valor 34 | Vatavia

Aug. 31-Sept. 1: F.L.O.W. Symposium | No Mountain (Grinnel, IA)

Sept. 7-8: King's Company of Archers

Sept. 14-15: Queen's Prize Tournament | Standing Stones Columbia, MO

Sept. 21-22: Event | Deodar (Cedar Rapids, IA)

Sept. 28-29: Gryphon's Fest | Three Rivers (St. Louis, MO)

Oct. 5-6: Autumn Arrows | Calanias Nuadh (St. Robert, MO)

Oct. 12-13: Return of the Hunt | Grimfells (Fayetteville, AR)

Oct. 12-13: Event | Westumbria (Great Bend, KS)

Oct. 19-20: Vertigo | Lost Moor (St. Joseph, MO)

Oct. 26-27: Event | Bellewode (Kirksville, MO)

Oct. 26-27: RUSH-Heralds and Horses | Axed Root (Ames, IA)



The Oldest Running Tournament in the Kingdom of Calontir is Once Again Here!

FRIDAY, AUG. 30TH - MONDAY, SEPT. 2ND

Band Camp | 7149 North 87th Street West Valley Center (Wichita Area) | Kansas 67147 - NEW SITE THIS YEAR! -

34th Annual Valor Tournament (Bastard or Great Swords, thrusting allowed)
Melees! Melees! + Guardians Invitational Tourney
Archery + Thrown Weapons | Calon Steel
Equestrian | Bardic | A & S Competitions + Classes
Viking Mead Hall + Games | Tavern

— SITE FEE —

\$15.00 for adults, \$5.00 for ages 6-17, children under 5 and under get in free. There is an additional \$5.00 surcharge for each adult non-member. Family Cap is \$45.00 (not including NMS). Make checks payable to "SCA Inc., Barony of Vatavia."

Merchants are most welcome! There is no extra merchant fee.

— SITE INFORMATION —

Site is wet. Praise Odin! The site includes a full hall, plenty of camping space, a nature trail, showers, and indoor restrooms. No ground fires! Above ground fire pits and cooking devices are allowed. Dogs are allowed if on leash or in a run.

DIRECTION —

Take your best route to I-135 in Wichita, KS. Follow I-135 to the north edge of Wichita, to K-96 West. Continue on K-96 to Ridge Road. Take Ridge Road north to 73rd St. North. Turn left on 73rd St. and continue for approximately one mile until you reach North 87th Street West. Turn left on North 87th Street West. The road leads to and ends at the Band Church Camp. Look for SCA signs.

Please be sure to observe posted speed limits once you turn onto 73rd Street.

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