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From: Bao Pham, President of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc.
To: Participants of the Society
Re: President's Board Report

Salutations,

The greatly anticipated report from the October 20, 2024 Board of Director's meeting is here! A recording of the meeting should be available at a later date on the SCA website.

This report is an abbreviated version of the quarterly meeting. The Officer summaries and commendations have been placed in this report exactly as presented in the original reports. The meeting minutes can be viewed by SCA members at <https://members.sca.org/apps/#SignIn>.

Group Dissolutions:

An Tir: Shire of Druim Doinnean (Port Angeles-Clallam and Jefferson Counties, WA)
Atlantia: Canton of Crois Brigitte (Forsythe, Wilks, Yadkin, and Surry Counties, NC)
Caid: Canton of Tanwayour (South Bay area of San Diego, CA)

New Branches

Drachenwald: Barony of Eplaheimr (Ireland), Principality of Insulae Draconis, Tuatha (Canton) of Cluain Oir (Galway, Ireland).

Quarterly Meeting Schedule

By consensus, Chair Faulcon took note of the following meeting schedule.

- a. January 25 and 26, 2025, Quarterly Board Meeting – Virtual (Tentative)
- b. April 12 and 13, 2025 Quarterly Board Meeting – Hybrid (Tentative)
- c. July 12 and 13, 2025 Quarterly Board Meeting – Virtual (Tentative)
- d. October 18 and 19, 2025 Quarterly Board Meeting – Hybrid (Tentative)

Conference Call Schedule

The tentative schedule for the mid-quarter conference calls is as follows:

- a. Monday, November 18, 2024
- b. Monday, December 16, 2024

Board Recruiting:

The report of Director Gabrielle Fisher noted that as of October 20, 2024, there were forty-one (41) candidates on the list of Board nominees with fourteen (14) kingdoms represented. A breakdown by kingdom is as follows:

Æthelmearc	4	Ealdormere	0
An Tir	6	East	3
Ansteorra	0	Gleann Abhann	5
Artemisia	0	Lochac	1
Atenveldt	0	Meridies	1
Atlantia	5	Middle	3
Avacal	4	Northshield	0
Caid	2	Outlands	2
Calontir	2	Trimaris	2
Drachenwald	0	West	1

Proposed Corpora Change – References to Courts of Chivalry

Motion by Gabrielle Fisher to Corpora to remove references to Courts of Inquiry, Courts of Chivalry, and “Kingdom Courts”, specifically the following: the Glossary, Corpora III.C.4, Corpora IV.G.9, Corpora IV.H.6-8, and Corpora X.B.4.b. Second by K.T. Sheppard. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Variance - Artemisia Kingdom Law – Award in Lieu of Membership Lapse

Motion by Megan O'Shea to uphold a variance issued by the Society Seneschal to the Crown of Artemisia on October 11, 2024, to permit the presentation of to award an individual whose membership lapsed due to death. Second by Krista Capps. Chair Mark Faulcon exercised his option to vote and did so in favor of the motion. Motion carried.

Hurricane Relief

Motion by Krista Capps to extend the memberships of those individuals affected by Hurricane Helene and Milton for a minimum of three (3) months from their normal expiration dates, effective September 3, 2024. Second by K.T. Sheppard. Opposed: None. Recused: Mark Faulcon. Acting Chair Gabrielle Underwood exercised her option to vote and did so in favor of the motion. Motion carried.

Communications & Social Media Policy Interpretation under Section III.J.a of the Social Media Policy.

J. Where SCA Corpora requires content to be published first through specific venues (for example, Kingdom newsletters or websites, or through announcements in Court), no person may publish content to any social media channel prior to that initial announcement. Examples include:

a. Unapproved changes to law, policy, and handbooks

Motion by Gabrielle Fisher to uphold the policy interpretation of the Society Communications and Social regarding unapproved policy being presented as official policy on social media sites. Second by Megan O'Shea. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Conduct Requirements For Email Conduct Meeting Expectations For Social Media.

Motion by Pug Bainter to uphold the policy interpretation of the Society Communications and Social Media Officer that conduct requirements for email conduct are consistent with the expectations for social media and that behavioural issues should be reported to the Office of the Seneschal for management if required. Second by K.T. Sheppard. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Change in Commentary Period for Organizational Handbook

Request to the Board to move from a 60-day commentary period on proposed changes to the Organizational Handbook to a 30-day period as standard. This does not require any changes to any By-law, Corporate Policy, or Corpora.

By consensus the Board determined that this item falls within the purview of the Society Seneschal.

Approved SENA Updates

- a. Revised A3A2 to continue allowing badges and regalia of Society-wide orders to be registered as tinctureless.
- b. Revised A3E3, Excessively Simple Designs, to incorporate the ruling that armory that consists solely of a field with a field treatment is not a single tincture for purposes of this section and is thus not excessively simple.
- c. Revised A5F1b, Substantial Change of Direction of Division, to incorporate the ruling that when comparing two devices where the field is divided in two parts in one direction, and multiple parts in the other, the two-part division determines substantial difference.
- d. Revised A5F2, Substantial Change of Tincture for Field-Primary Armory, to incorporate the ruling that if two field primary pieces of armory share the same field treatment and an identical underlying tincture, the fields do not differ by a substantial change of tincture.

e. Revised Appendix A, Patterns That Do Not Need Further Documentation by Language Group, to note the fact that in the late medieval period, German letters with umlauts could either be represented by a letter e after the vowel or two dots above it.

f. Revised Appendix C, Regional Naming Groups and Their Mixes, to allow names from the Scandinavian regional group to be combined with those from the English/Welsh and Gaelic regional groups through the end of period (1100-1600).

Approved Changes to the SENA Glossary of Terms (<https://heraldry.sca.org/coagloss.html>):

a. Updated Table 4 “Conventional ‘Proper’ Colorings” and Table 5 “Conventional S.C.A. Default Postures” to include yet more definitions for various charges such as anvils, peaches, drawknives, and shears.

b. Updated Table 7 “Default Arrangements” to include three charges above a per chevron line or above a chevron and two charges around a pile or pile inverted.

c. Updated Appendix 1 “Terms Commonly Misused in the SCA College of Arms” to include “nocked”.

Approved changes to the Herald’s Administrative Handbook appendices:

a. Updated Appendix F “Name Sources to Be Used with Caution and to Be Avoided in Documentation” to include “On the Documentation and Construction of Period Mongolian Names” by Baras-aghur Naran.

Approved Changes to the List of Alternate Titles:

a. Added Breton titles.

b. Added *Chevaliere* as the feminine noun for knight in French.

c. It was brought to the attention of the College that *Sayyid* and *Sayyida* (and alternatives) held religious connotations in period and that are still used today, across the Muslim world in both Sunni and Shia contexts. Therefore these have been replaced by the secular titles *Ra'is* and *Ra'isa* for those with an Award or Grant of Arms.

Motion by Pug Bainter to permit the changes to the List of Alternate Titles as as requested by the Laurel Principal Queen of Arms. Second by Megan O'Shea. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Society Seneschal – Emergency Replacement Deputy

Motion by Gabrielle Fisher to approve Lis Schraer as Society Seneschal Emergency Replacement Deputy effective November 1, 2024, for a period of no more than six (6) months. Second by: Pug Bainter. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Director Resignations/Appointments/Acknowledgments.

By consensus, the resignation of Director Gabrielle Fisher from Seat D for the Board of Directors is accepted effective at the close of the October 20, 2024, quarterly meeting.

By consensus, Joan Stuerer is recognized as assuming Seat D for the Board of Directors effective at the close of the October 20, 2024, quarterly meeting.

The Board conveyed its deep appreciation and heartfelt gratitude to Gabrielle Fisher for her outstanding service on the Board of Directors for the Society for Creative Anachronism. It was noted that this term was the second for Director Fisher, as she was asked to act as an emergency replacement during a time of need. Her willingness to serve in this manner is greatly appreciated.

Vice-Chair Assignment

Motion by Gabrielle Fisher to appoint K.T. Sheppard as Vice-Chair for the Board of Directors for the Society for Creative Anachronism effective at the close of the October 20, 2024, quarterly meeting. Second by: Megan O'Shea. Opposed: None. Chair Mark Faulcon exercised his option to vote and did so in favor of the motion. Motion carried.

Ombudsman Assignments

Chair: Mark Faulcon (Duke Martin Lochner)

Ombudsman for: President, Society Seneschal, Corporate Office, Executive Assistant, Financial Officers,

Vice-Chair: KT Sheppard (Graf Ulrich von Brandenburg)

Ombudsman for: An Tir, Caid, West, Marshal

Director: Pug Bainter (Master Phelim Gervase)

Ombudsman for: Inclusive Programs /DEIB, Heralds, Aethelmearc, East, Gleann Abhann, Trimaris

Director: Krista Capps (Bricca di Ghelere)

Ombudsman for Atenveldt, Atlantia, Middle, Recruiting

Director: Jonathan Foster (Iohannes Glenfidanus)

Ombudsman for: Chatelaine, Information Technology (Webminister and Webmaster), Calontir, Outlands

Director: Megan O'Shea (Sumayya al Ghaziyya)

Ombudsman for: A&S, Ansteorra, Artemisia, Meridies, Northshield, Publications (TI, CA, Chronicler)

Director: Joan Stuerer

Ombudsman for: Avacal, Drachenwald, Ealdormere, Lochac

Warrant Expirations

The following upcoming warrant expirations were noted, and returned to the appropriate officers for further work:

1. Chronicler – December 31, 2024
2. Minister of Arts & Sciences – December 31, 2024
3. Exchequer – February 1, 2025

Sanction Items:

- A. Terry Bishop (Basil of Grimfells)

Motion by Gabrielle Fisher to revoke the membership of, and deny participation to, Terry Bishop (Basil of Grimfells), effective immediately. Second by K.T. Sheppard. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

- B. Richard Harris (Kal-Bardr Gellir)

Director K.T. Sheppard recused himself from voting on this matter.

Motion by Gabrielle Fisher to revoke the membership of, and deny participation to, Richard Harris (Kal-Bardr Gellir), effective immediately. Second by Megan O'Shea. In Favor: Pug Bainter, Krista Capps, Gabrielle Fisher, Jonathan Foster, Megan O'Shea. Opposed: None. Recused: K.T. Sheppard. Motion carried.

- C. Johny Ellis (Taranus Darius)

Society Seneschal Lis Schraer was recused from management of the investigation of this matter. The investigation was instead managed by Stacy Hall, Emergency Replacement Deputy / Society-Seneschal -Elect.

Motion by Krista Capps to uphold the Temporary Removal from Participation in the Society of Johny Ellis (Taranus Darius) as issued by Sven and Rauokinn, Crown of the An Tir, and their Kingdom Seneschal on July 14, 2022, to extend the Temporary Removal from Participation, and to further direct the Society Seneschal to begin an investigation into possible sanctions up to and including revocation of membership and denial of participation effective immediately. Second by K.T. Sheppard. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

- D. Michael Hunt (Hindrek Keuenpoeyck)

Motion by Gabrielle Fisher to revoke the membership of, and deny participation to, Michael Hunt (Hindrek Keuenpoeck), effective immediately. After the passage of thirty (30) months Mr. Hunt may petition directly to the Board for membership and/or participation. Second by K.T. Sheppard. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

E. Ciriaco Johnson (Sindri Harsskeggi)

Motion by Krista Capps to uphold the Temporary Removal from Participation in the Society of Ciriaco Johnson (Sindri Harsskeggi) as issued by Connor and Isa Crown of the West Kingdom, and their Kingdom Seneschal on August 3, 2024, to extend the Temporary Removal from Participation, and to further direct the Society Seneschal to begin an investigation into possible sanctions up to and including revocation of membership and denial of participation effective immediately. Second by K.T. Sheppard. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

F. Laura Lovell (Eva Helena Vettori)

Director Pug Bainter recused himself from voting on this matter.

Motion by K.T. Sheppard to revoke the membership of, and deny participation to, Laura Lovell (Eva Helena Vettori), effective immediately. Second by Krista Capps. In Favor: Krista Capps, Gabrielle Fisher, Jonathan Foster, Megan O'Shea, K.T. Sheppard. Opposed: None. Recused: Pug Bainter. Motion carried.

G. Simon Moody (Simon), Aethelmearc

Motion by Gabrielle Fisher to revoke the membership of, and deny participation to, Simon Moody (Simon), effective immediately. Second by Megan O'Shea. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

H. Varien Moon, legally known as Luna Eclipse Strailigen (SCA: Letta Vitri)

By consensus this matter was remanded to the January 2025 quarterly meeting.

I. Karl Smarsch (Karli)

Motion by Krista Capps to revoke the membership of, and deny participation to, Karl Smarsch (Karli), effective immediately. Second by Gabrielle Fisher. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

J. Scott Stewart (Walter Fitz-Alan)

Motion by K.T. Sheppard to revoke the membership of, and deny participation to, Scott Stewart (Walter Fitz-Alan), effective immediately. Second by Pug Bainter. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

K. Jason Wissel (SCA Unknown)

Motion by Gabrielle Fisher to revoke the membership of, and deny participation to, Jason Wissel (SCA Unknown), effective immediately. Second by Pug Bainter. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

President
Bao Pham
Baudoy de Lafayette

Commendations

I would like to commend Lis Schraer (Elasait ingen Diarmata) once again for her work as Society Seneschal. As a new president starting out, having someone so knowledgeable and experienced in this role has been invaluable. Her dedication to the Society has been inspirational. She more than deserves her retirement...stepping down into the role of er deputy to the Society Seneschal. The SCA is very fortunate to have her time and service in this position.

I would like to commend Stacy Hall (Gwendolynn ni hAilleachain) for her work preparing to step in as the new Society Seneschal! During her time as the Society Senextschal, we've had a lot of different discussions pertaining to the future of the SCA on a corporate level. Her insight, experience, and knowledge have been a great asset in figuring out next steps and how to take those steps.

I would like to commend Laura Pate (Celestine de Chatham) for being of great service to my predecessor as special projects deputy and for giving me guidance in these early days. She has my thanks for the time and service given to make the Society better. I appreciate the extra time she served to allow for a replacement for this role as she steps down this quarter.

I would like to commend Eben Kurtzman (Brocc of Alderden) who is our legal counsel. Probably one of the nicest and most thoughtful folks I've met, and I am grateful for our discussions which go a great way in determining the path forward on a variety of topics. One of which is everyone's favorite topic regarding SCA Corporate: Transparency. Eben's advice is instrumental in finding ways to be more transparent.

Publishable Summary

The SCA is changing. I mean it's always changing, but more specifically how the organization operates needs some updates. While we recreate the past on the game side, our business organization needs to be dynamic and adaptable to keep up with modern times and business practices. The membership should be informed of the direction this corporation is moving, and this report will shed some light on that.

There are some questions on what the role of Corporate is in the SCA. We have a social club that we are supporting, that has a focus on living pre-1600 life and education of history. That's the game we play. Corporate is the business side of this non-profit 501c(3). Primarily it creates a structure that supports the sustainability of the SCA, ensures compliance with rules and

regulations, and maintains a standard of safety for all members and participants. For me, this includes having a growth-oriented mindset, being financially solvent, and equitably providing recourse and guidance for issues.

Now to the more report part of the Presidential Report. We need to get to a point where we have the resources to invest in this company and its ever-changing needs. The increase in member prices and patron membership that we are in the process of implementing are two ways to do that. The Board of Directors is working with this office to form a working group to explore different revenue streams.

We also need to reduce some burdens of financial process and management of the SCA. The Office of the President has started the formation of two working groups. One is an exploratory committee of financial professionals that will work with the Treasurer and Society Exchequer to draft a proposal to the Board of Directors. The focus will be on the viability of electronic banking, electronic distribution of funds, and electronic payments. The second working group will be exploring ways to reduce the complexity and enhance the training of the exchequer role to make it more accessible to a wider range of volunteers.

All of the corporate officers are supporting the Board of Directors in their desire to see the Ranged peerage move forward with multiple options presented. The ranged community deserves a chance to voice an opinion between various options for the name, badge, and regalia of their order. I look forward to seeing what other proposals the heralds submit.

In line with supporting the people, transparency is one of the issues I wanted to address as President. There is a balance with risk to the corporation and giving the people guidance and insight on the decisions of the Board of Directors. With that in mind, I have created a Policy on Conduct for the Corporate documents to give the Board of Directors some flexibility in citing reasons for sanctions. With support from legal counsel, I am proposing that there be citations of violations in the minutes for every sanction. The rules apply to everyone no matter their rank and position. The SCA is committed to maintaining an environment that responds to issues. If there is an issue, report it to the seneschals. I would like to promote a more proactive approach where if you see something, say something. I would strongly encourage reporting and using the system that is designed to promote a fun and safe environment.

I am thrilled by the amazing professionals who have volunteered their time to make the SCA the best organization it can be. We have financial professionals looking towards modernization of our financial processes. We have a new deputy to champion Sharepoint and a data scientist looking into data management and visualization in the SCA. We are expanding our Communications team as well to build a better rapport with the membership. Very often, you hear that the best thing about the SCA is the people. The people are putting in work and I am excited to see what the future brings to this organization.

Communications Officer/Social Media

Brigid Costello

Anne de Tournai

Commendations

Koia Karasova who is about to complete a highly successful term as Kingdom Social Media Officer for Ansteorra. Koia has been community focused, active in managing the safety, creativity and enthusiasm of their spaces. She has done an exemplary job and is a credit to their Kingdom!.

The Ansteorra Discord Deputy has gotten almost all of their local branches transferred into official channels. Ansteorra Livestream team is AMAZING and making the populace extremely happy with the way we are getting better with each livestream on streamyard.

Congratulations to the Social Media team in Artemesia who successfully live streamed Royal courts at Kings road (kingdom summer war) enabling the populace to share in the recognition and enthusiasm of the Crown and Kingdom.

Atlantia is organically stating to use the group chat function, which seems to be taking off. Currently they have 4 group chats going on, which seem to be going well!

Great work by Mielikkä Koiviston in Calontir! Posts are up 24%, comments 32%, and reactions 6% which is trending well for better quality engagement. They have also been building up the Kingdoms YouTube channel. Working closely with the RUSH officers and deputies, along with the kingdom marshal, to get relevant playlists.

Aethelmarc Kingdom Social Media has worked with Pennsic Social Media to proactively plan the distribution of major announcements for 2025 to increase understanding and reach.

Drachenwald Discord is working very well, particularly at shire level, congratulations to all involved. An RSS feed of various blogs and other websites in the kingdom is piped into Discord and the FB group; this has been very successful.

Trimaris would like to give a shout out to Lord Snorri Swordbreaker who has been creating a lot of funny video content to share to our FB pages and groups, as well as resharing on the Kingdom Tiktok. The populace has really enjoyed his contributions.

Trimaris is also seeing an increase in use of our Discord server as well as more presence on TikTok.

Dame Dot has had some amazing success with the Gleann Abhann TikTok again! Over 42K views on our top video!

Cleftlands SMO reached out to her Kingdom Social Media Officer in the Midrealm and is very excited and eager to grow the Cleftlands social media. Great to see proactive work on improving outreach and engagement.

The KSMO community for working together, sharing resources, ideas and innovations in the ongoing use and expansion of Social Media and communications for the benefit of the populace and potential populace.

My thanks as always to Louise, Katie, Bao, Melissa, Stacy, Charles, Lis, Leslie, Sam and Nicholas and all the amazing officers and content creators across the Known World who continue to communicate the opportunities and benefits inherent in our community.

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Effective communication creates trust and builds understanding. In 2024, the Communications team will continue to work with officers and participants across the Known World to build the understanding of the mechanics of our organisation, realise opportunities to improve it and continue to learn and grow. We thank everyone who has provided feedback and assistance with the improvements that have been made so far and those we will make in the future.

Office of Inclusive Programs

Charles Burk

Charles de Bourbon

No Report Received.

Vice President of Information Technology

Sam Davis

Thomas Blackmoore

Commendations

The East Kingdom Information Technology team. They have built a great team in that Kingdom. Not only to they build impressive systems, but they are also willing to share and help others.

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This was a quarter of status quo for the IT department. Systems and websites were updated, patches applied, and vulnerabilities squashed. While the SharePoint project has not yet achieved all of its goals, it has made progress. The IT department is proud and grateful to add Tracy DeGarmo (AnneMarie de Garmeaulx) and Iseabail Lane (Iseabail inghean Bhaltair) to our team as SharePoint Champion and Special Projects Deputy (respectively).

<https://www.sca.org/resources/document-library> **Society Web Minister**

Nicholas Milano

Iain MacArthur

Commendations: None.

Publishable Summary

The webministry is undergoing several transfers of office and few reports have been filed for this quarter. I expect the 4th quarter's report will be more robust. I contribute a lower percentage of reports due to school and work projects for most of the officers taking much of their time. As projects take considerable time to implement and there are fewer volunteers in several Kingdoms, it has been difficult to obtain reports. However, in short discussions with the officers

when I was able to contact them due to my own remarkably busy schedule, there are no issues other than the steady movement forward of keeping the Kingdom Webpages current and relevant.

Society Seneschal
Lis Shraer
Elasait ingen Diarmata

Commendations

I cannot begin to list all the people who have helped me or given service to the SCA or to this office in the last four and a half years. But some of the top ones are:

First, last, and always, my long-suffering husband, Erich Schraer (Sir Erich Hlodowechssun). He has supported me, listened to me vent (and nothing sticks inside his brain, which is a good thing), and given up things we might have done together over my time in this demanding job. He has admitted he is looking forward to getting his wife back, but he's always been there for me. The support of spouses and significant others isn't always recognized.

My dear friend and former protégée, Carol O'Connell (Countess Conna ingen Ui Chearbhaill), who continually checked in with me during my tenure to ask how I was doing and if I needed a break or a listening ear.

The two people who have served as my emergency deputies, now-director Shep Sheppard and Stacy Hall, who has miraculously not run away screaming but is poised to drive this crazy bus. Both have become close friends and are fellow policy wonks.

Patrick Anderson. It's still all his fault, he talked me into this.

John Fulton, who provided a ton of support and was a terrific colleague/boss. 90% of the time we agreed, when we didn't it was usually because we were saying the same thing in different words.

Leslie Luther-Fulton, Brigid Costello, Louise Du Cray, her predecessor Renee Signorotti, Lee Clark, and Eben Kurtzman, all of whom have been valuable sources of advice and reality checks at various times.

All 60(!) kingdom seneschals whom I've worked with over my time in office. You are remarkable and you are the oil that keeps this machine running.

The stable of people who work and have worked behind the scenes as Society-level investigators. You know who you are, and I appreciate every one of you.

All the people in the Known World who volunteer at tasks large and small every day and every weekend to keep our game and our community going.

From the kingdoms I have the following commendations:

Artemisia: I would like to commend the following people for their valuable contributions in support of the Kingdom of Artemisia: Duchess Gwenevere McAy, Baroness Amanda de Spencer, Baroness Isabeau Lia Rossedal, Baron Ælwyn de Spencer, Count Raven Macleod, Lady Anna Perunova, Sir Marcello daDonnici, Baroness Malkin Allardson and Lord Viga Brandr

Drachenwald: We have the best officers! It's amazing how much they put into making Drachenwald a great Kingdom. So this time I want to make a recognition to all our officers and their deputies. Thank you!

Lochac: Again I have to mention that this report would be impossible without the amazing efforts of Cailleach Dhe inghean Ui Dhubhghail (Jo McKaskill).

Northshield: Some gentles I would very much like to commend this quarter for their steadfast dedication to our incredible kingdom:

Mistress Nell the Innocent; Nells ability to herd cats and make it look effortless is truly remarkable. I appreciate her dedication to her shire, and to the kingdom. Having worked beside her even late into the evening at events to resolve paperwork I am truly thankful for her leadership.

THL Aemilia Tacita; Aemilia is leading the Barony of Castel Rouge with passion and devotion. Aemilia has been working steadfast to host multiple demos and gatherings throughout the summer and it sounds like they have been a great success, her passion is infectious and I am so excited to see what the barony continues to do.

M'Lord Niwa Daisuke; Niwa has been having great success as a local seneschal and is also hosting thriving A&S activities as well. Truly it sounds like they are having a great time. Super proud to hear of Niwa's excitement.

M'Lord Joshua; Joshua is working hard in his group with practices, events and growth of the group, very dedicated and I'm sure those efforts will pay off.

Syr Hjorlief Ottarson: Hjorlief has continued to lead his group in rebuilding a strong group from a truly huge region. The shire has even continued to grow with demos and lots of populace activities. Its truly great to see the group continue to develop.

Duchess Petranella, if I ever have a question on policy or law, Petranella is my go to, her experience and knowledge is truly inspiring. I am very thankful for her when I have a question, she's always willing to help in anyway she can.

Finally, my emergency deputy Alinore Windover; Alinore's wisdom and guidance has been invaluable these last few months. When I need anything she has always been available for anything. I'm so thankful for her.

Publishable Summary:

I regret having to start my final Publishable Summary with a reminder of an SCA rule, but it seems necessary. Society rules always are in effect regardless of what additions or specifications

an event or kingdom may make. The SCA's policies regarding the participation of those below the age of legal majority are contained in the Seneschal's Handbook. Primary among those rules is the following: **Parents or guardians of minors shall have ultimate responsibility for the welfare and behavior of their children at all times.** This policy wording was approved by the Board of Directors at the July 2019 quarterly meeting, and it remains in effect. It should be unnecessary to remind parents that they are responsible for supervising their children appropriately at any and all SCA functions, but it seems that a small minority of people are in need of that reminder. If a minor attends an SCA function with someone not their parent or legal guardian, the person named on the required "Minor Medical Authorization Form" is responsible for the supervision, safety, and behavior of that minor. Event staff, even those offering activities specifically planned for children or teens, are not babysitters.

And after that reminder--here we are at the part I always write last of my last Society Seneschal report. In my time in this position, I've worked with 60 kingdom seneschals, 17 directors (soon, very briefly to be 18), and seen a complete turnover in the corporate office staff and most other senior positions. All of these folks, even those I've disagreed with or had arguments or "counseling sessions" with, have, I'm convinced, always had at heart the long-term good and survival of the SCA or their particular section of it. The work of kingdom seneschals, Society officers, and directors is a labor of love that would make no sense if it wasn't for that love of the community we have here.

By far the major perk of working at the Society/Corporate level is the amazing people one gets to meet and work with. This was true years ago when I was on the Board myself, and it's still true.

When my warrant runs out, it will be four years, six months, and three days since I got the call from President John Fulton telling me the Board had chosen me to be Society Seneschal Elect. (I'm a bit of a numbers geek.) At that time we were about six weeks into what would prove to be about a 15-month complete drought of in-person events thanks to COVID, followed by a cautious and slow return to normal SCA activities. I stepped up three months later, ahead of schedule, and had to become a public health expert and a bit of a video star, neither of which I had on my Society Officer bingo card when I applied for the job.

I applied for this job with the idea of building up relations with kingdom seneschals and aiding them to make their jobs easier, continuing improvements that were then in their infancy with regard to how we deal with problem entities, and helping guide policies. Not everything happened the way I wanted or expected or moved as far as I would have liked, but progress has been made. By far the most rewarding part of this job for me has been being the "kingdom seneschal whisperer," and I've made some lifelong friends in that role. Other things have been less pleasant—nobody wants to deal with the less-pleasant behaviors that people occasionally exhibit—but that is a tiny minority of the membership.

And with all those things that happened that nobody expected, during the most challenging couple of years the organization ever faced and beyond, the SCA abides. Most kingdom seneschals are reporting to me that attendance is up, and volunteerism—which had been taking a hit even before the pandemic—is on the rise as well. Younger, newer members are beginning to step into leadership positions. What will they build on the foundation that started with that backyard party long before they were born? I'm excited to see it.

My successor as Calontir's kingdom seneschal used to say that being kingdom seneschal was "the hardest job you'll ever love." Well, Society Seneschal has been the hardest job I will ever love. I'm grateful to have had this opportunity—it has been tremendous, taxing, rewarding, and I've given it my very best shot. To paraphrase what we sometimes say about event sites, I hope I'm leaving the place a little better than I've found it.

With all its little bumps and warts, it's still a beautiful Society. To everyone-- Stay well, be kind to each other, and have fun with this hobby of hobbies. I'll see a lot of you around, hopefully for years to come.

Youth Activities Deputy
Michelle Santy
Amytis de la Fontaine

Commendations

Daveed Shmuel ben Rachon (Daveed Korup) Outlands: Daveed has been working on building Youth Program in the Outlands. He has given gathering spaces for youth to hand out, created an active drumming program. Working on making children self-sufficient within the SCA with service, games and arts and sciences.

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Kingdoms are creating Youth and Family Programs to ensure all ages can participate in the Society through fun and productive activities. Outside of 'official' Youth activities such as Boffer, and classes, I have seen and heard of increases of Youth/Teen/Family participation in archery, thrown weapons, 'adult' classes, and other areas that have been 'traditionally' more adult-centric.

Society Chatelaine
Michele Hays
Jeanne-Marie la Verriere

No Report Received.

Publications Manager
Gloria Woodard
Honor of Restormel

Commendations

Thanks to all the Chroniclers and Archivists in the Known World. Their work in providing information and documenting the history of the SCA within our publications is a benefit for us and future generations of the SCA.

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The Publications Team produces monthly Kingdom newsletters, *Quivers and Quarrels* (the newsletter for the Archery Community), *Tournaments Illuminated (TI)* and *Compleat Anachronist Publications (CA)*. If you are not familiar with our quarterly publications *Tournaments Illuminated* or *Compleat Anachronist*, take the opportunity to look through these amazing publications. Subscriptions are available through the SCA Bookshop at SCA.org. *Quivers and Quarrels* needs content for the newsletter. If you are part of the Archery Community and have artwork, research, or articles you are willing to contribute, please email the Editor (THL Máirin Ó Nialláin) at QuiversandQuarrels@yahoo.com.

Complete Anachronist
Ellen Rawson
Ariel of Lindisfarne

Commendations

Many thanks to Rachel Strange for CA 204 *Women's Kentish Clothing: An Illustrated Guide to Women's Clothing in Anglo-Saxon Kent* during the Fifth to Eighth Centuries. She sent me her revised (post-peer review) manuscript in the nick of time to be CA 204. (Thanks also to Wendy Duffey and Katherine Neustadt for their details peer reviews.) She was fantastic in terms of supplying the necessary waivers and she understand when we (sadly) had to cut some images due to space limitations. I know that there are many people waiting for this SCA to be available! As usual, kudos to Sue Gilbert for her layout genius, especially when dealing with so many photographs and so much artwork. Elise Fleming provided her usual fantastic copy-editing assistance. I don't know what we'd do without her!

Publishable Summary

Current Issue: 2024 Q2 CA 204 *Women's Kentish Clothing: An Illustrated Guide to Women's Clothing in Anglo-Saxon Kent*

Publishable Summary and for Advertising within the SCA:

For a few hundred years, women in Anglo-Saxon Kent (England) sported a wardrobe that was cosmopolitan and steadily evolving. Drawing on influences across the centuries from Denmark, Belgium, France, and Germany, as well as the areas and cultures that influenced those regions, Kentish women dressed themselves in luxury that was unrivaled across the Anglo-Saxon Kingdoms.

CA 204, *Women's Kentish Clothing: An Illustrated Guide to Women's Clothing in Anglo-Saxon Kent*, delves into archaeological finds and historical evidence to discuss and illustrate the six styles of Kentish women's garb, including how to make, embellish, and wear it.

Tournaments Illuminated
Dar'C O'Neal
Riordan MacGregor

Commendations

None.

Publishable Summary

The next issue of Tournaments Illuminated is expected to be finished before the end of the year.

Society Chronicler

Krystal Smith

Cecilia Blythe

Commendations

None.

Publishable Summary

No problems to report. Still in need of a deputy chronicler

Society Archivist

Travis Schenck

Ramon de Javier

Commendations

Thank you to Ann Thomas(Lady Anna Perunova) and Austin J. Buckius(Lord Hasan Ibn Bekir) for their work on the 1001 Artemisian Knights project. This project lays the groundwork for setting up a system and formulating questions to record the Society's oral histories and preserve the memories of the most essential part of our organization, its people.

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The archive's physical condition remains unchanged, and the archival guardians Neko no Mao and Sebastian die Katze have continued their vigil to keep the archive pest-free over the past quarter.

The archive continues to receive inquiries and works to answer those questions promptly. This has led to the digitization of several documents, which will be added to our digital archive and eventually made available to the public.

The archive has continued working on creating a finding guide for the collection. As of this meeting, boxes 1 through 4, consisting of materials 1966-1980, have been completed. We will be working with SCA IT and the Web Team to make the finding guides available online for researchers. As more boxes are cataloged, we will add to the online finding guides, allowing for easier identification of available documents and what we might be missing from year to year.

The archive has been working with members of the populace of Artemisia to develop the 1001 Artemisian Knights project, which will create oral histories of the members of Artemisia. We hope the tools produced from this project will provide a template for recording and publishing the oral histories of many kingdoms. Anyone interested in participating in this project can email the archive to get involved.

The archive attempts to preserve Stefan's Florilegium's digital assets, which recently went offline—this repository of newsgroup posts from various early SCA newsgroups from the 90s through the early 2020s. The domain and hosting services went offline in August of this year. We hope to reach out to the caretaker of this collection to arrange to preserve it in the archives. If you have any information or have submitted an article to Stefan's Florilegium and would like to submit it for preservation in the archive, please email us.

Finally, we remind all chroniclers to send a copy of any newsletters or other digital submissions to our digital archivist at digitalarchivist@sca.org.

Corporate Treasurer
Carolyn Richardson
Tetchubah of Greenlake

Commendations

I'd like to thank all of the kingdom exchequers who have diligently been working on getting their consolidated financials completed, and our audit started. They have been very prompt about providing the materials requested by the auditors.

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The financial consolidated reports have been sent to the auditors (and may need some small changes) and the audit has started. I'm hoping we will be able to complete everything on time this year so we don't incur another overage charge like we did for the 2022 audit. Revenue is running higher than budgeted, and the nonmember fee is also running higher than budgeted. We did not adjust the budget at the beginning of the year for either of these income items, so this is as expected. We have been able to replenish some of the funds we had to withdraw from our investment account during covid, from our increased membership dues (particularly in February) and the one-time reimbursement obtained by our in-house counsel.

Society Exchequer
Bonnie Stringer
Marcel Orillion

Commendations

Many thanks to Trent for serving as Herald Exchequer! He took a small break and is stepping up as An Tir Kingdom Exchequer. Many thanks to Georgia Cookson. She has served many years as An Tir Exchequer.

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Finances should be transparent. All Groups, Kingdoms and Greater Wars need to publish budgets. This can be completed on Group, Kingdom, War websites.

Kingdoms/groups/Wars have received their final 2022 reports – the Balance sheet and Income Statements should be published in the Kingdom/Group newsletter or website.

Susan, our PayPal Deputy is looking at possibility of using a QR code at gates to allow PayPal to be accepted to speed the payment process.

The payment process. This will take a policy change to allow use of QR codes – will need to be approved by the BOD before implemented.

We will begin having open office hours the second Wednesday of the month that Kingdom and local exchequers & seneschals are welcome to attend. This was very successful before Pennsic – so next meeting will be October 9.

Laurel Queen of Arms
Unni Leino
Birgitta Lulli

Commendations

Thanks to the research of Ollivier Le Floch, we have achieved a list of alternate titles in Breton.

Lillia de Vaux has done research that has allowed us to extend SENA Appendix C, Regional Naming Groups and Their Mixes.

Lilie Dubh inghean úi Mórdha has recently completed a term as Ragged Staff Herald and Elisabetta Tommaso di Carduci as Pelican Queen of Arms. Both have done a great job in major offices to keep the heraldic submissions process running smoothly.

Compiling a proposal for the name and insignia of a new Peerage Order is a major task that has happened only extremely rarely through Society history. For this, I would at this point thank Adelaide Colette de Monferrer, Alexandra Vazquez de Granada, Beatrice Domenici della Campana, Cormac Mor, Elisabetta Tommaso di Carduci, Emma de Fetherstan, ffride wlfssdotter, Iago ab Adam, Jeanne Marie Lacroix, Juliana de Luna, Marie de Blois, Nest verch Gwilim, Nika Dmitrieva doch' Zvezdina, Ryan McWhyte, Sara al-Garnatiyya, and Tanczos Istvan, as well as the numerous people who have sent their input and other contributions on the matter.

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A proposal for the name and insignia of a new Peerage in ranged martial pursuits has been prepared and will be attached to this report as a separate document. If the Board approves of the primary proposal, the registration process should complete before the January 2025 Board meeting.

In October, Sara al-Garnatiyya took over the office of Pelican Queen of Arms – making decisions on name submissions – from Elisabetta Tommaso di Carduci.

In September, Ollivier Le Floch took over the office of Ragged Staff Herald – in charge of the heraldic submissions paperwork and compliance at Society level – from Lilie Dubh inghean úi Mórdha.

Society Marshal

Melissa Midzor
Arabella da Siena

Commendations

The Society Marshal would like to commend Patricia Cross for creating and leading a team to update the Equestrian Handbook, and developing several key new features and approaches that will be adopted across all the handbooks. A special thanks to Master Aethelhawk (East Kingdom) for orchestrating and organizing the “Evaluating Weapon Strikes Against an Armored Pig” class at Pennsic. John Libby (TW Deputy) is commended for standing up the new TW office, working to create a vibrant community of the TW Kingdom Deputies, and significantly increasing reporting and insight into this activity.

The Deputy Society Marshal for Armored Combat- Rattan. Huge Thanks to the entire Rules rewrite team for their continued dedication to the monumental job. The new deputies in the Harnischfechten experiment continue to go above and beyond as we embark on this undertaking. Huge thank you to Sir Philip Williams of Aston from Caid, Sir Richard DeBleys of Ansteorra, and Sir Laeghaire O'laberty of Atlantia for assisting this office in this undertaking.

The Deputy Society Marshal for Equestrian would like commend Thomas Flamanc of Kelsale (Dr John Sawyer) for his hard work in Drachenwald in bringing the equestrian program back to life. He worked diligently with insurance companies to be able to get insurance for the equestrian events in the UK, and now has been able to extend it to Ireland. He is currently working with the Sweden group to set up equestrian activities there, although Sweden doesn't have equine insurance due to the way the laws are there. He was able to have equestrian activities this quarter at a castle and took amazing photos to help use for publicity and to increase interest in the equestrian program and in the SCA as a whole. He is doing a fantastic job!

The Deputy Society Marshal for Thrown Weapon - Kennari Mikael Melrakki and Dame Dealla Cohen are commended for all of their coordinating everything at the Thrown Weapons range this year at the Pennsic War. Syr Cedric of Thanet is commended for all his work marshalling various events and practices in Atlantia but at Pennsic, he went above and beyond for the Thrown Weapons community. Lord Sigeric bíldr was of tremendous help in running TW activities at Battlemoor in The Outlands. THL Kristofer Harfagre donated new TW stands to The Outlands.

The Deputy Society Marshal for Rapier commends all applicants for DSMR, it takes a love of our hobby and a bit of bravery to step into the spotlight of today's world. To those that applied- Thank You. Also, Gleann Abhann and Atlantia for a perfect run on reporting.

The Deputy Society Marshal for Youth Combat would like pass on the following commendations: Aodhan, the new YC Marshal of Northshield expresses his sincere thanks for Abelard whom he replaced for his long & outstanding service on behalf of their YC program. Well deserved praise to Mistress Gisela who at Pennsic kept track of all of the paperwork, made tokens for the fighters that the kids loved, and also kept track of all of the loaner gear! Mathghamhain from the East expressed huge gratitude to the East Marshals who did so much to make Pennsic a success, especially (as always!) Eikaterine, Karrah and Carrick, and I'd like to add my personal praise of these 3 amazing individuals whom I love working alongside. Morgan

the Bald expressed sincere thanks to Sir Bartholomew Hightower for launching Youth Combat in the Kingdom of Artemisia.

The Deputy Society Marshal for Siege would like to recognize THL Rosalia Iuliana Andre for her excellent reporting. I wish all the ones I get are as complete.

The Deputy Society Marshal for Target Archery would like to commend all the staff, marshals and volunteers who help make Pennsic archery happen. It is the largest archery activity in the SCA and takes a dedicated staff and many volunteers.

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Marshal office changes:

KEM Midrealm: Master Robert Thorne (*outgoing -Duke Cellach macChormach*)

Upcoming Marshal office changes:

DSM Rapier (*warrant expires Nov*) – Resumes received. Selection in Oct.

DSM Equestrian (*warrant expires Dec*) – Resumes received. Selection in Nov

DSM Target Archery is looking for a deputy - position ad will be posted.

Rebated Blade (steel) Combat (*vacant*). Program under review

A practical armor penetration class was held at Pennsic 51. The crux of the class was a pig carcass (purchased from a butcher) mounted on a pell and dressed in a gambeson and butted chain hauberk, what is considered to be the armor standard for accepting blows in SCA rattan armored combat. A variety of weapons were available to test on this target, namely two swords (an arming sword and a hand and a half), a handaxe, a short spear, and a seax type dagger. Short clips of the class are available on YouTube

Meridies has added the Order of the Golden Lance of Meridies (GOA) for Equestrian, and will join the Inter-Kingdom Treaty of the Golden Lance.

West is seeing active participation increasing. Tourney numbers are rising. Rapier is proving to be a big draw.

Artemisia is seeing growth in Youth Combat, Equestrian, and Combat Archery. To help the relaunch of their Siege program, a kingdom-wide challenge was issued to all Baronies and Shires to work together to build one siege engine to bring to King's Road event.

There are numerous efforts to improve processes

Caid launched a new kingdom heat policy for use during their Crown tournament and the upcoming GWW, after studying Wet Build Globe Temperature vs Heat Index and using several applications and a handheld device (HT30). It was very favorable received and a welcome addition to their martial communities. Data from the study has been forwarded to the Society ACM and SM.

Outlands launched a new web-based Authorizations portal which includes role-based privileges, automatic notifications, separate tracking of authorization and membership expirations, and easy

individual updates. It was well received by both the populace and marshalate volunteers across all marshal branches.

Meridies is going to centralize their reporting starting in January, with one report for each group per quarter and one report per event. There is a unified google form.

There are numerous efforts this quarter to improve and expand marshal training:

Midrealm – is requiring all AC marshals to attend a continuing education class and take a short quiz. Marshals that fail to do so will have their warrant removed. A similar effort for rapier was completed last year and was very successful.

Atlantia – their Field 201 Class (Marshal-in-Charge) has become a mandatory class for all marshals in Atlantia with a 3-year renewal period. A class was created for Autocrats to understand marshal activities when planning event space.

Calontir - Working on new Marshal training and continuing education programs, including active marshaling. Developing new Marshal authorizing processes and authorization forms.

The modernization project updating all the martial handbooks will have 4 drafts out for review next quarter: Armored Combat - Rattan, Cut & Thrust, Equestrian, and Target Archery.

General Status per Discipline

Summary: Martial activities continue to increase activity, averaging a 14% increase in the last year (post-covid). Multiple kingdoms have made significant process improvement and marshal training efforts. Weather continues to impact practices depending on region, with some practices have been cancelled due to high temperatures.

Armored Combat - Rattan: Rattan Combat continues to be the largest Martial discipline in the SCA. Growth in areas of safety, recruitment and retention. The Harnischfechten experiment overseen by this office officially launched at Pennsic 51 and has been met with widespread excitement. Multiple instances of members returning and new member sign ups strictly due to the experiment. Rewrite of the Rattan (Armored Combat) handbook nears completion with many exciting benefits with the new formatting.

Armored Combat - Rebated Blade (Steel): Ongoing action from the April BOD meeting - the Society Marshal has been directed to review all rebated steel rules and related marshallate education, and report to the board any concerns or recommendations. Summary of findings: A update to the rules and training, along with a communication plan, is needed to reset the program to its original goals where proper strikes (not force) is emphasized. Changes are also needed to make it easier for judges to see proper strikes. Potential alignment with the Dueling rules of HMBIA has been suggested as a possible means to leverage existing known safe practices and encourage cross-over with other historical fighting groups. Recommend at a minimum a small working group to be formed to update the rules and training.

Combat Archery: Combat archery is proceeding throughout the Known World. No major issues have been reported. At An Tir/West War, there several bows submitted for inspection that were measured over the maximum allowed poundage. One of these drew several pounds over and had an inspection sticker from a prior large war. I have reminded all the Kingdom CA officers that bows need to be inspected for poundage, and that those that draw over the maximum poundage are not allowed onto the field. Reporting continues to be an issue. This past quarter,

only 11 Kingdoms have submitted reports, even after reminder emails were sent out. This is down from the previous quarter, when even fewer combat archery activities were taking place. *Equestrian*: This quarter has increased our equine activity at events somewhat. There were 17 events with equestrian activities Known world wide. Artemisia is coming back strong with 4 equestrian events this quarter! Practices have been steady with most kingdoms having at least one per month, Æthelmearc being the most active this quarter. We are still having issues with high costs of insurance, and hopefully we may be able to help the SCA insurance person to get a lower rate with the equine insurance information we have provided. AnTir has ok'ed a financial decision to reimburse insurance costs for groups. We are hoping others will follow this idea until we can find a solution to the increased cost. Equestrian experimental programs are doing well, without incident. Our virtual MIT program is still happening every month and doing well.

Rapier Combat: Commend all applicants for DSMR, it takes a love of our hobby and a bit of bravery to step into the spotlight of today's world. To those that applied-Thank You. Gleann Abhann and Atlantia for a perfect run on reporting.

Siege: The third quarter was good for Siege. The new Target Siege is being done in several kingdoms now. Looking forward to adding more of it. There was no reported injuries this quarter. One of the things I'm going to work on is better reporting from the many kingdoms that support Siege.

Target Archery: Overall a healthy activity for Target Archery this Quarter. As expected kingdoms showed an increase in activity for the summer months. A large number of events include archery and many of them hosting a large number of archers.

The Society Seasonal Shoot for this past quarter was slots:

168 total scores submitted for the quarter. Leaders in each category were:

Overall: Gladius the Alchemist (*Cleftlands, Midrealm*)

Period Handbow: Alaricus Simmonds (*Dragonspine, Outlands*)

Open Handbow: Damien Wolfhunt (*Wolfscairn, West*)

Period Crossbow: Gladius the Alchemist (*Cleftlands, Midrealm*)

Open Crossbow: Gladius the Alchemist (*Cleftlands, Midrealm*)

Youth: none reported for this seasonal shoot

Thrown Weapons: The state of the Thrown Weapons throughout the Known World continues to be strong and growing. The number of participants reported (1314), the number of marshals and marshals in training reported (475), the number of practices reported (212), and the number of events reports (73) are all at all-time highs since Thrown Weapons was split off and became its own Society office. In particular, Thrown Weapons has been well attended at large scale events such as Lilies and Pennsic.

Youth Combat: Youth Combat at Pennsic was a BIG success this year with large participation from fighters, Marshals and adult Chiv and Rapier fighters lending their time and experience. Youth Rapier is resurging in Kingdoms where it was either dormant or hadn't been done before.

Also we are seeing many new recruits now post-COVID for both YC & YR throughout the SCA.

Projects

There are two major projects under way under the auspices of the Society Marshal Office.

Rules Modernization

Goal: Update all the Marshal handbooks and Corpora to better reflect the current programmatic structure and safety best practices, and be user friendly.

Status:

Draft Handbook template is complete. Entries for Concussion awareness, Heat Index, and Air Quality included for review.

AC, C&T, TA, and EQ have drafted their rules into the new format as a pilot for review and comment with the KEMs and Deputies.

Changes to Corpora and Governing Document public comment period ended. A summary of comments and minor edits will be submitted next quarter.

Experimental Programs

Goal: Develop clear and detailed processes. Develop standard models/categories, based on risk and expected participation, that include measurable goals, go/no go criteria, and risk mitigation. Ensure quarterly review of progress and challenges.

Status: A draft system of 3 tiers developed, with Roles & Responsibility and draft templates. Beta testing underway.

Experimental Programs – Status now on [SCA.org/Document](https://www.sca.org/Document), Marshal section.

Society Minister of Arts and Sciences

Sarah M. Noble McGee, PhD

Hildegard Bergerine

Commendations

I offer commendations to the following individuals, artisans, and in some cases groups:
I commend all Kingdom and local Arts and Sciences officers for their continued good work in the Arts and Sciences community. I am proud of everyone who facilitates, plans, and participates in A&S activities.

Commendations to all those who are trying a new-to-them art or science, keep going!

Commendations to Mécène Eſtienne Le Mons d'Anjou for his service as Emergency Deputy to the Society Minister of Arts and Sciences (although, thankfully, we have not had any emergencies).

Special thanks to all Directors who have served as A&S Ombudsmen over the past three years, your support is appreciated.

Congratulations to Æthelmearc's Oribe Tsukime, who along with several other Japanese garb enthusiasts launched a new website containing information on Japanese garb.

Commendations to Duchess Dagrūn Stjarna for her term of service as Kingdom Minister of Arts & Sciences in the Kingdom of An Tir.

Commendations to the newly formed Stierbach Consort, in the Kingdom of Atlantia, which brings lesser-known instrumental gems to the forefront, and with thoughtful adaptation.

Commendations to the Canton of Attilium in the Barony of Windmaster's Hill for having brought Korean culture to Atlantia in the form of classes on dance, music, tea, clothing, and other aspects of life.

Commendations to Master Llywd Aldred, of Atlantia, as he continues to bring excellence to teaching historic fencing.

Commendations to Mistress Arianna Morgan, OP, of Atlantia, as she continues to direct a local chorus named "Ladyes Fayre" which she started in 1999. She has been supporting and occasionally directing Pennsic Choir and a special audition-only group "Choralus Pennsicus", and helping a new group get started "Stierbach Consort".

Commendations to Viscountess Morrigan Clubfoot for their time serving as Kingdom Minister of Arts and Sciences in the Kingdom of Avacal.

Commendations to Maestra Gianna Viviani for her time serving as Kingdom Minister of Arts and Sciences in the Kingdom of Calontir.

Commendations to Mastyeritsa Marina Anastasia Ozeroski for her time serving as Kingdom Minister of Arts and Sciences in the Kingdom of Ealdormere.

Congratulations to John Spooner of Ealdormere for earning a perfect score on his entry of Bookbinding Tools in the A&S Warpoint at Pennsic.

Commendations to Richard Heyworth, who served the A&S community diligently since 2021 as East Kingdom's Deputy of Online Displays.

Congratulations to Agostino Rosso newest Royal Artisan of Gleann Abhann.

Commendations to Dame Joan Sutton for her service as Kingdom Minister of Arts and Sciences in the Kingdom of Lochac.

Commendations to the many judges for Lochac's Arts and Sciences Competition.

Congratulations to the winners of Lochac's Arts and Sciences Competition: Linnette for a research piece on the ancient Ogham script (Experienced Category); Mestrez Ysabeau Chanteuse for sugar-paste shells (Intermediate Category); Sesenco for a fur cape (Beginner Category); and Lady Yrsa Harfagra for nalbinding socks (Beginner Category).

Commendations to Mistress Ellen de Lacey, OP who hosted "The Dog Days of Summer Virtual Collegium" in the Kingdom of Meridies. The response to this session was overwhelmingly positive and it was well attended.

Congratulations to Dame Karis Pursey who competed as the Meridian A&S Champion at Pennsic with her "Recreation of Goldwork Embroidery on the Red Pisa Gown."

Congratulations to Lady Sara Wandrownyczka, newest Kingdom Poet Laureate of Meridies.

Congratulations to Lady Arwen Lisica Lannstoirme, newest Kingdom Bard of Meridies.

Commendations to Lady Kelara Maria, of Meridies, for her research into period herbal wound treatments.

Congratulations to Master Thomas Paumer, newest Grand Chef of Meridies.

Congratulations to Northshield's A&S War Point representative at Pennsic, for their excellent score.

Commendations to Duchess Larissa Alwynn Clarewoode for her term of service as Kingdom Minister of Arts and Sciences for the Kingdom of Trimaris.

Commendations to Mistress Melisande for her excellent work on "The Triskelle", the A&S newsletter for Trimaris.

Commendations to Baron Luiggi Giovanni di Rossi for their service as Kingdom Minister of Arts and Sciences in the Kingdom of the West.

Commendations to everyone who worked to make The Known World Dance and Music Symposium a success.

Commendations to everyone who worked to make the Known World Cooks and Bards Symposium a success.

Commendations to all who taught A&S classes, and to those who displayed their projects during Pennsic.

Extra special commendations and gratitude to THL Wang Wei Yuan for his patience and unwavering support of all I do, including the amount of time and energy I've invested in the SCA serving as Society Minister of Arts and Sciences.

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The Society for Creative Anachronism continues to fulfill its mission to research and re-create the arts, sciences, and skills of the pre-17th century world.

The 3rd Quarter has seen well attended in person activities, including Pennsic Arts and Sciences classes, competitions, and displays, workshops, several local and Kingdom Champion competitions. This quarter also included two Known World events: The Known World Dance and Music Symposium; and Known World Cooks & Bards. Successful online and hybrid A&S activities including universities and classes have continued. Kingdom and local officers successfully continue to update the ways in which we do Arts and Sciences activities, including training judges, updating judging rubrics, communicating with other kingdoms regarding A&S expectations at Gulf Wars and Pennsic, verbal documentation, non-judged Displays, interactive display opportunities. The Arts and Sciences populace, in general, seems to be enjoying and benefiting from increased opportunities for Display and Discussion in a non-competitive format.

The Society Minister of Arts and Sciences has a Facebook presence located at:

<https://www.facebook.com/SocietyMinisterArtsandSciences/>

This page allows members to receive information about arts and sciences activities throughout the Known World and encourages them to share their own projects, promote local artisans, and connect with others who share their interests. Recently, the Populace were invited to focus on sharing recent, or current projects. Next, we will enjoy focusing on projects that a