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ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Three important announcements have appeared from the Board of Directors this summer and are reprinted here to make sure that everyone has a chance to see them.

At the Board of Directors July 2018 meeting, the following changes to Corpora were approved and were to be considered effective immediately.

Corpora Article X, Grievances and Sanctions, A. General, Add Section 4: Hate Speech

Hate speech is not tolerated in the Society. Hate speech is speech or symbols that offend, threaten, or insult individuals or groups, based on race, color, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, disability or other traits. Such symbols and speech have no essential part of any discussion of ideas and are of so little value to the Society that any benefit that may be derived from them is clearly outweighed by the harm caused. The use by any participant in the Society may result in possible sanctions up to and including revocation of membership and denial of participation.

Please report any possible instances of hate speech to your Kingdom Seneschal, the Society Seneschal or the President of the SCA immediately. For more information about hate speech and the reporting of same, please refer to the Society Seneschal's Handbook.

SCA Statement of Core Values

In pursuing its mission, the SCA is committed to excellence in its programs, communications and activities and to

- act in accordance with the chivalric virtues of honor and service;
- value and respect the worth and dignity of all individuals;
- practice inclusiveness and respect pluralism and diversity;
- promote a safe and respectful environment for all SCA events;
- act with transparency, fairness, integrity and honesty;
- be a responsible steward of SCA resources; and,
- be committed to maintaining the trust of its members and participants.

It is the expectation of the SCA that its members and participants, in all events and activities of the SCA, will conduct themselves in accordance with these tenets.

[The following announcement appeared in August.]

SCA Mission Statement

After careful review and consideration of all feedback, the Board of Directors has decided to update the mission statement to be more in line with current society practices:

The Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA) is an international non-profit volunteer educational organization. The SCA is devoted to the research and re-creation of pre-seventeenth century skills, arts, combat, culture, and employing knowledge of history to enrich the lives of participants through events, demonstrations, and other educational presentations and activities.

The Board of Directors wishes to thank everyone who took the time to write in with their comments for the betterment of our society.

Should you have any comments, please send them with the subject line "Revised Mission Statement Aug 2018".

Comments on all three of these items are strongly encouraged and can be sent to:

SCA Inc.
Box 360789
Milpitas, CA 95036

You may also email comments@lists.sca.org.

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GENDER NEUTRAL TITLES FOR HOLDERS OF AWARDS OF ARMS

The SCA now has approved gender neutral titles for the AoA level. This information below is quoted from the Laurel Sovereign of Arms' July 2018 letter which can be found [here](#).

“From Pelican: Gender-neutral titles

The April LoPaD asked for commentary on three possible gender-neutral English titles at the Award of Arms level: Armiger, Gentle, and Noble.

Armiger literally means a person who bears arms. The word was used after names in our period, as in "Garl of Ducheman, Armiger". We approve its use as a title in the form "(Given Name), Armiger" or "(Name), Armiger."

We approve Noble as a title used before a given name, as in "Noble Sampsoun" or "Noble Edwarde".

The majority of commenters opposed restricting use of the word Gentle to Society members of a particular rank. Therefore, we are not protecting that word as a title at this time.”

[Notes from the editor:

The Laurel Sovereign of Arms is the highest ranking herald in the SCA.

“LoPaD” stands for “Letter of Pends and Discussions”. The LoPaD is defined as a letter written by the Sovereign(s) of Arms to identify submissions which have been pended and issues which require discussion by the College of Arms.

“Pelican” refers to the Pelican Sovereign of Arms. The Pelican Sovereign of Arms is one of the Laurel Sovereign of Arms’ two principal deputies and is responsible for the review of all name submissions for individuals and groups in the SCA and for determining if they should be accepted or returned for further work.]



A MISSIVE FROM OUR BARON AND BARONESS

Unto the Barony of Nordskogen, the Cantons of Nordleigh and Blachemere, we send these words.

Harvest Home turned out to be quite the joyful adventure in learning, teaching, sharing, spending time with friends and enjoying a brisk weekend in Northshield. We want to thank all of the folks that volunteered their time to make this event truly a unique experience. We especially want to thank the event stewards, event staff, and the kitchen crew who kept us warm and well fed for the weekend. For those of you who were able to join us we hope that you enjoyed the atmosphere of the event and the site.

We are delighted to share that our King and Queen have announced that the next gentles to sit the territorial seats of Nordskogen will be Baron Gabriel and the Honorable Lady Caoilfhionn. We have the utmost confidence that they will both do an excellent job of representing the people of Nordskogen at home in the Barony, and on the greater stage of the SCA within the Kingdom and the Society. We ask that you help them in this task with your support and counsel as you have done so well with us. You will also see us sharing this time of transition with our successors in a variety of ways so that they will get a chance to get accustomed to the job before it becomes entirely theirs at the upcoming 12th Night. For those of you who attended Harvest Home, you got a chance to see Caoilfhionn announce Lord Madoc as the next Cooking champion of the Barony.

Speaking of the Cooking championship, we wish to thank all of the entrants to that competition, Lady Tink, Mistress Amalia, and Lord Madoc for sharing their amazing displays of food with our panel of judges. You all made the decision very very difficult and we hope to see and experience more of your skills in the future.

Looking to the future, the Canton of Blachemere will be hosting the Tournament of Chivalry and the very first Tournament of Defense at Lord of Life church just north of Anoka on December 17th. We ask that you consider spending the day there supporting the event and, if you have time, consider volunteering to help out.

As we have mentioned before we will be sharing plans for the Toys-for-Tots Armored, Rapier, and Archery tournaments as soon as we have the details in place. As you are shopping during the upcoming holiday season please consider buying toys to contribute at these future events. Gifts for kids under two and over twelve are particularly needed.

In Service, Geoff and Samia



UPCOMING BARONIAL SPECIAL EVENTS

Period clothing will be required for these. Please note that the Barony has period clothing & feast dishes to loan.

TOURNAMENT OF CHIVALRY/TOURNAMENT OF DEFENSE AT FIGHTERS RETREAT,

SAT., NOV. 17, 2018, 9 AM-4:30 PM

Lord of Life Church, 14501 Nowthen Blvd NW, Ramsey MN 55303

Hosted by the Canton of Blachemere

We must be offsite by 4:30 PM.

EVENT STEWARD:

Sir Tom Tintinnabulum) (Tom Holliday), 269-4524, holliday.thomas.71@gmail.com

FEES:

Adult (18 & above): \$15; **Adult member:** \$10; **Children** (5-17): \$5; **Children under 5:** Free

Family Cap: \$40 (2 adults + 2 or more children); **Family Member Cap:** \$30 (2 adult members + 2 or more children)

Checks payable to: SCA Inc-Canton of Blachemere

FEAST: Chivalry/Masters of Defense sponsored pizza for lunch

Site is handicap-accessible & has showers.

Outside food & drink are allowed.

Currently, there are no planned children's activities.

Populace space is limited to the hallway outside the gym.

Fighters may put armor inside the gym, if space allows, with overflow in the hallway.

As always, **the entire site, including the parking lot, is DRY.**

Come join the King and Queen as they host a Tournament of Chivalry and of Defense in their Canton of Blachemere.

Show your skill at arms in armored combat, rapier combat, or both against the best Northshield has to offer.

Court at the whim of Their Majesties.

NORDSKOGEN 12TH NIGHT, SATURDAY, JANUARY 19, 2019, 8 AM-8 PM

Lord of Life Church, 14501 Nowthen Blvd NW, Ramsey, MN, 55303

Hosted by: Barony of Nordskogen

Event Steward: Lady Ceolwen ingen Adaim (Carrie Snyder), 715-577-2924, csnyder7496@outlook.com

Fees:

Registration fee: \$25 (includes Archery fee for Bwana on Sunday)

Registration fee with member discount: \$20 (includes Archery fee for Bwana on Sunday)

Children 0-17: Free

No merchant fee

Checks payable to SCA Inc-Barony of Nordskogen

Pre-reg ends January 5th.

Refunds must be requested no later than January 12th.

Site is handicap-accessible & has showers.

As always, **the entire site, including the parking lot, is DRY.**

Activities will include armored combat, rapier, A&S display, youth boffer, and much more!

Come and join us for a day full of fun, food, and family!!

\More information and event website coming soon.

**SCHEDULES FOR THE TOURNAMENT OF CHIVALRY
AND THE
TOURNAMENT OF DEFENSE**

Armored Schedule

As you will see, we only have the site from 9 am to 4:30 pm, so the schedule is shortened accordingly. The morning will be teaching, followed by testing in the afternoon.

We'll start with "Individual training" at 10 am, which has a casual structure so that fighters can join whenever they finish inspection, and then a 45 minute class period.

His Grace Tom Tintinnabulum is organizing a pizza lunch. Then we'll have 2 hours of bear pit, followed by court at 3:30 pm, and we need to be offsite by 4:30 pm.

9 am:	Site Opens & Inspections
10 am:	Session 1: Individual training
11:30 am:	Session 2: Classes
12:15 pm:	Session 3: Lunch
1-3 pm:	Session 4: The Big Bear Pit tourney
3:30 pm:	Court
4:30 pm:	Site Closes

Rapier Schedule

9 am:	Site Opens & Inspections
10 am:	Session 1: Ongoing Gauntlet with the MoDs, including brief notes at the end of 3-5 passes.
11 am:	Session 2: Individual Teaching Time with the MoDs
Noon:	Session 3: Active commentary by MoDs as other fencers face each other.
1:15 pm:	Lunch (MoD meeting)
2:15 pm:	Session 4: Another MoD Gauntlet
3:30 pm:	Court
4:30 pm:	Site Closes

The MoD lunch is staggered from the Armored lunch to allow for Their Majesties to have meetings with both circles.

NOTES FROM THE NORDSKOGEN BUSINESS MEETING, OCTOBER 17, 2018

Baroness Sorchu Bhuidhe (Sarah Oldenburg Garcia) presiding
Mistress Rosanore of Redthorn (Susan G. Henry) recording
Approx. 25 in attendance

Call to order

Officers' Reports

Their Excellencies Nordskogen: Baron Geoffrey of Warwick and Sitt al-Thullaja:

Very excited about Harvest Home. Formal announcement of successors was made at Crown: Baron Gabriel Kjotvason and THL Caoilfhionn inghen Cheallaigh uí Mhórdha. Turnover will happen at Twelfth Night. Bring warm clothes to Harvest Home this weekend. Martial fields are huge. Baroness Kolfinna Hrafnkelsdottir (MiC for rapier, cut and thrust): Field will open at 10. You can still put your name in the hat for Baronial cooking champion. Seek out TE to present food. There will be a roving Baronial court. Re: Toys for Tots in December: Lady Helisius Morte d'Arbor will be the armored/rapier event steward. An archery steward is still needed. No date or site for armored/rapier yet. Archery Toys for Tots: Site will be Bwana Archery Range, date not set.

Exchequer and Financial Report

Lord Wolfstanus Lightfote

August ending balance:	\$ 16,747.95
Income:	\$ 5,290.09
Expenditures:	\$ 2,226.26
September ending balance:	\$ 19,811.78
Balance Change:	\$ 3,063.83

Donations for the year 2018: \$1,858.55

Please note that a donation of \$3-10 per month per person would help us cover expenses. Harvest Home receipts due by Nov. 22. Inventories of any Baronial property that you are holding are due by Dec. 19.

Seneschal, Baroness Sorchu Bhuidhe: No general meeting on Halloween. Tank coming to Harvest Home. New cook needed for Twelfth Night day board. To volunteer, contact the event steward, Lady Ceolwen ingen Adaim. Jararvellir is transitioning to a new Baron and Baroness at Boar's Head. Help/suggestions for largess.

Knight's Marshal, Sir Refkell Melrakki Einarsson: No injuries. Practice is going well and they are starting to work on different weapons forms.

Boffer Captain, Lord Tribaldi de Gritti: Boffer happened last night. 4 or 5 attended.

Thrown Weapons Captain, Comtesse Guenievre du Dragon Vert: There will be thrown weapons at Harvest Home, Practice on Sunday cancelled.

Signet, THL Amary Fairamay: There will be awards announced at Harvest Home, final scrolls later.

Minister of Arts and Sciences, Lady Helena the Quiet: Looking for ideas for largess. Looking forward to hearing about individual projects.

NOTES FROM THE NORDSKOGEN BUSINESS MEETING, OCTOBER 17, 2018 (con.)

Officers Reports (con.)

Chatelaine, Lady Lewke verch Gwilim, called Lucky: We have two more tubs of stuff. Feast gear and undertunics gained. No contacts from new folks.

Quartermaster, Baroness Kateryn of Roseberry Topping, called Khadijah: Still have stuff. Stuff left, stuff came back. Mats are still in Hawley for Rhythm & Bruise. Sir Tom Tintinnabulum is taking care of them getting here for TOC.

Webminister, Lady Cecily of York: Not present.

Rapier Captain, Baroness Kolfinna Hrafnkelsdottir: Two returnees, one of them being Lord Matthew Smallwood. Cut and thrust champion changeover will happen at Twelfth Night.

Clerk of Precedence, Baroness Cynthia the Innocent: Not present.

Herald, Lord Irial Féasruadh ó hIarnáin: Not present.

Chronicler, Mistress Rosanore of Redthorn: Things are going on just as usual.

Archery Captain, Lady Cyneburg: Looking for a candidate to be their successor. Considering making term of office negotiable. Archery practice cancelled this Sunday.

Old Business

WWXVI

Dates: July 11-14, theoretical until contract is signed.

Fall Coronation

Full report is included in this newsletter. Member Attendance: 214; Non-Member Attendance: 30; Minor Attendance 38. Profit of \$913.68 will be split with the Kingdom.

Harvest Home

Happening starting Friday. Tank coming. 2 big white boards will serve as the message center in the dining hall. Soap making 3-5 in kitchenette in Lakamaga Troop House. Need someone to run dishes through the dishwasher after meals and general cleanup. Orphanage will be hosting a social event after the ball.

Twelfth Night 2019

Looking for a new feast steward for the day board. Contact Lady Ceolwen ingen Adaim or Sorcha Bhuidhe to apply.

Announcements

Mistress Rosanore: Dance tomorrow! Learn Harvest Home Ball dances! RSVP!

Meeting adjourned.

NORTHSHIELD FALL 2018 CORONATION REPORT

Event Steward: Gweniver Kenwyn of Roseveth (Jennifer McNitt)

Current Contact Information: 114 6th Ave. N., South Saint Paul MN 55075

Phone: (612) 616-2737

Membership Number: 105200 Membership Expiration: 11/30/2018

Group Affiliation: Canton of Nordleigh

<http://northshield.org/Populace/Persona.aspx?ID=2272>

Event Name: Northshield Fall Coronation (09-08-18)

Event Start Date: 09-08-2018

Site Name: Lord of Life Church

City: Ramsey State: MN

Hosted By: The Barony of Nordskogen with the kind permission of the Canton of Blachemere

Full Event Information: <http://northshield.org/Events/EventAd.aspx?ID=3280>

Member Attendance 214

Non-Member Attendance: 30

Minor Attendance: 38

Fees:

Adult Site Fee: \$15; Adult Member Site Fee: \$10; Child Site Fee: \$5; Feast: \$15

Marshal's Report:

There were 19 marshals and 22 fighters. There were no incidents. All of the necessary paperwork has been sent along to the Minister of Waivers.

Exchequer's Report:

Expenses: \$1500.92 for Food; \$123.81 for General Supplies, \$1200 for the Site Fee; \$90 for refunds. The NMS was \$150 and we spent \$50 on insurance. Total expenses were \$3114.73. The total net profit was \$913.68 and this will be split with the Kingdom.

Other Activities?

- One discussion session for the Primitive Hike and Overnight at the Harvest Home event
- Dancing
- Evening Feast
- Scribal Hangout room

Court Report?

Two courts were held. The court report can be found online here:

<http://www.northshield.org/orderofprecedence/CourtList.aspx?ID=1629>

What went right?

Multiple planning check in meetings helped make sure that everyone was up to date on planning status. A shared Google document was created for planning information. This was well received.

What can be improved upon for next time?

We experimented with using a Facebook chat for communication before the event. This went somewhat well but generated a lot of "noise" for those who did not need to see all of the communication. Recommend more time between the end of feast and when we need to leave site.

This report was stored online and can be found here: <http://northshield.org/Posts/Display.aspx?ID=32485>

WEEKLY WEDNESDAY MEETING SITE AND SCHEDULE

Folks begin gathering between 6:30 & 7:00 p.m. Announcements are generally at 7:30 p.m.

Meetings end around 9:00 p.m.

Our weekly Wednesday meetings are held in: The Geek Partnership Society's Event Horizon

In the Waterbury Building, The big red building at Jackson St. NE & Broadway St. NE,
(1121 Jackson St. NE, Minneapolis, MN, 55413.)

Link to a map: <http://tinyurl.com/geekpartnersoc>

Enter at the **EASTERN SIDE** of the building. Door 1121C is the one closest to the rooms we are in.

To get to the big parking lot on the eastern side of the building near our entrance doors:

From Broadway St., go north on Jackson, driving past the little parking lot on the right (we don't park there), go to the end of the building, take the first right onto the street there which is Twelfth Ave. NE., and take the next right into the parking lot. If you go over the railroad tracks, you've gone too far!

Note: Metal Parking slots are always off limits.

11/07: Room 106A: Announcements & socializing

Room 107: Rapier practice

11/14: Room 106A: Business meeting & socializing

Room 107: Rapier practice

Please note: scheduling change to avoid Thanksgiving.

11/21: Room 106A: Announcements & socializing

Room 107: Rapier practice

11/28: Room 106A: Announcements & socializing

Room 107: Rapier practice

Project Night: Special Dance Practice (more info. below under **GENERAL NEWS**)

GENERAL NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Scribes' Night—At THL Una Duckfoot's Home--1st Tues.—**SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

Shop Night on Thursdays at Master Danr's--**SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

An A&S Evening In The Canton Of Nordleigh

Come learn Viking Wire Weaving, a jewelry craft of the Vikings and others around the Mediterranean Sea, 7-9 p.m. on November 8 (2nd Thursday) at the home of Ingeborg i Trondheimi in Northfield. Supplies will be provided for a learning piece "dangle." You can [Google](#) images of this art for possibilities. Email Ingeborg for directions at: lorraine.rovig@gmail.com.

Special Dance Practice, Wednesday, Nov. 28, 7:30-8:30

Join the dance teachers of Nordskogen for a special dance practice! Please note that the living room has been reserved for those who need to take a break or would like to socialize.

Our New Baron and Baroness To Be

At Crown Tournament this weekend, Their Majesties Vlad and Petranella announced that the Honorable Lady Caoilfhionn inghen Cheallaigh uí Mhórdha [Colleen] and Baron Gabriel Kjotvason will be the next Baroness and Baron of Nordskogen. The transition will take place at Twelfth Night, Saturday, January 19, 2019.

Archery Captain Seeks A Successor

Our Archery Captain, Lady Cyneburg, is seeking a deputy to take over her position in the late summer/early fall. If you are interested in applying for this position, please contact [Lady Cyneburg](#). Your letter of interest is due to our [Seneschal](#). Please cc [Lady Cyneburg](#) and our [Baron](#) and [Baroness](#). Please include what you consider to be your qualifications (mundane and SCA), and why you would like the job, or what you would hope to accomplish.

WW Exchequer Seeks Successor

Greetings! It's [Arwa al-Jinniyya](#), your friendly neighborhood WW Exchequer. I'm looking for a new WW Exchequer to train up behind me next year and would love for that person to come from Nordskogen this time. Monthly duties are very light with most of the work taking place in the month of WW.

If you have any questions about anything in this newsletter, please feel free to contact the Chronicler at: 651-699-0714 (before 10 pm) or at chronicler@nordskogen.org