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TOYS FOR TOTS TOURNAMENT VIRTUAL EDITION

Hey, Barony!!! Who is worried that we won't have the Toys for Tots Tournament this year?

Guess what?!?!? We will. Just like our Wednesday meetings have gone virtual so has the Toys for Tots Tourney! In past years we had a Wednesday night and a Sunday morning to have fun. Well, this year we will have THREE WEEKS!

But Faelan, how will we do this?

Simple: donate money or toys to the Toys for Tots program and send proof of your donation (a screenshot of the donation receipt or a selfie of you donating toys) to nordskogentfort@gmail.com.

As usual, the different martial groups will compete as teams. You choose which team your donation goes to. (You can support multiple teams, too!)

There will be two "winners" besides the obvious kids and teens! One will be the highest total and the other with the highest number of donations. The groups competing will be as follows:

Archery Armoured Boffer Equestrian Rapier Thrown Weapons

When you send in info about your donation please let me know what category you want your donation to go to.

I mentioned earlier about the largest total: fear not! Only I will see the total. This will be used just to determine the largest total based on activity and a total for the "Tourney"!

Where can I donate? Here is the link: >>click "Donate Local" to contribute money.
<https://minneapolis-mn.toysfortots.org/local-coordinator-sites/lco-sites/default.aspx?nPageID=100&nPreviewInd=200>

When? November 21st to December 12, 2020

YIS, THL Faolan Bacach MacMillan aka Faelan

RESOLUTION TO SUSPEND IN-PERSON SCA ACTIVITY THROUGH JANUARY 31ST, 2021

During the July 23, 2020, Ad Hoc meeting of the Board of Directors for the Society for Creative Anachronism, the following Resolution was passed by a unanimous vote and made effective immediately:

[Resolution to Suspend In-Person SCA Activity until January 31st, 2021](#) (PDF)

- I. Whereas, the COVID-19 Global Pandemic has created an unparalleled challenge for the administration of the Society for Creative Anachronism. The Board of Directors acknowledges the health and well-being of the membership and participants of the SCA are of utmost importance;
- II. Whereas, the Crowns of the vast majority of North American Kingdoms have petitioned the board to suspend in-person SCA events in North America until January 31st, 2021;
- III. Whereas, following consultation with the Kingdom Seneschals of the North American Kingdoms, it appears that this petition is generally supported;
- IV. Therefore Now Be It Resolved, The SCA Board of Directors suspends all SCA in-person events in North America until Jan. 31st, 2021;
- V. Resolved, Small local gatherings including, but not limited to, archery practice, guild meetings, officer meetings, and local martial activities shall remain at the discretion of the Crown and Kingdom Seneschal, in accordance with CDC, State, Provincial, and local health guidelines and recommendations. Virtual events as alternatives continue to be a viable option;
- VI. Resolved, The SCA Board of Directors directs the Society Seneschal to grant a blanket variance to Corpora waiving any required events such as Crown List and Coronation until January 31st, 2021, as well as extending all current reigns until a royal list can be held to determine suitable Heirs;
- VII. Resolved, If a Crown or Coronet steps down without Heirs for a Kingdom or Principality, a Regent shall be installed until such time as a royal list may be held to find suitable Heirs and a Coronation or Investiture held. This regent should be installed according to the Kingdom or Principality laws that govern the appointment of Regents, after consultation with the Society Seneschal. If the Kingdom or Principality has no such law, the Kingdom Seneschal (and Principality Seneschal when appropriate) must consult with the Society Seneschal and Society President to determine an appropriate selection method for a Regent;
- VIII. Resolved, the SCA Board of Directors invites Kingdoms who have determined that it is safe to host in-person events before January 31st, 2021, to request a variance from the Society Seneschal to be able to do so. The Society Seneschal shall have the authority to grant or deny these requests. These requests will be reviewed by the Board using the same review method used for variances to Corpora;
- IX. Resolved, the SCA Board of Directors commends the officers, royalty, hard-working membership, and participants who have made it possible for the SCA to continue activities during these trying times.

Any commentary regarding this matter should be addressed to sca-comments@lists.sca.org. Please use "Resolution" in the subject line. **NOTE: Please use the body of the email for commentary. Attachments will cause your message to be marked as spam, and it will bounce.**

In lieu of email, commentary may be sent by US Mail, Postage-Prepaid, to:

Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc.
RE: Resolution
P.O. Box 360789
Milpitas, CA 95036-0789

<https://www.sca.org/news/resolution-to-suspend-in-person-sca-activity-until-january-31st-2021/>

Comments are strongly encouraged and can be sent to: SCA Inc., Box 360789, Milpitas, CA 95036
You may also email sca-comments@lists.sca.org.

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KINGDOM OF NORTHSHIELD'S REOPENING STATEMENT FOR SEPT. 2020—JAN. 31, 2021

Per the announcement from the Board of Directors, all SCA in-person events in North America have been suspended until January 31st, 2021. Small local gatherings including, but not limited to, archery practice, guild meetings, and officer meetings, are allowed.

1. All groups will follow federal (including CDC), province, state and local mandates, recommendations, and guidelines regarding meeting sizes and emergency measures.
2. Please follow your local government guidelines for group gatherings. Masks for all attendees are highly recommended. They should be worn properly and cover the nose and mouth. It is the attendee's responsibility to provide their own mask. Anyone who has an underlying condition that may increase risk should not attend an event until the CDC has deemed it appropriate, please use your best judgement in these matters. Please practice social distancing and remain the suggested distance (6 ft) from one another when gathering.
3. Archery, Thrown Weapons, and Equestrian activities can resume as long as they meet the requirements of items 1 & 2. Armored, Rapier and Boffer combat as they do not allow maintaining a 6' distance shall continue to be prohibited at official activities. This will be revisited as CDC guidelines and as other similar activities change their recommendations.
4. Groups may hold practices and meetings as listed in points 1-3; however, they are limited to the local group only.

Thank you,
Baroness Alinore Wyndover, Northshield Kingdom Seneschal
Duke Vladimir Radescu, Northshield Kingdom Earl Marshal

KINGDOM OF NORTHSHIELD'S STATEMENT ON SCHEDULING THE NEXT CROWN TOURNEY

From the Ancient and Honorable Stallari Council to the prudent and stalwart populace of Northshield, greetings.

We know the uncertainty regarding the change-over of royalty is deeply unsettling for everyone. To this end, Stallari would like to share our discussion regarding the scheduling of the Crown Tournament of Ciaran and Elis to select the heirs to the kingdom. At this time, the modern border between the United States and Canada is closed. The US State Department has declared a Global Level 4 Health Advisory advising against all international travel. The Government of Canada has similarly confirmed a Global Travel Advisory to avoid non-essential travel outside of Canada. This means that no royal pair can satisfy the requirement to be able to travel to all parts of the Kingdom (Northshield Law - III-900-6).

Given these constraints, Stallari has decided to wait to schedule the Crown Tournament of Ciaran and Elis until such a time as III-900-6 can be met and guidelines from the Public Health Agency of Canada and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention of the United States reflect a safer opportunity to gather together. We share this information with you in the interest of transparency, and will ensure that we share our plans as they become available.

Please direct any questions to seneschal@northshield.org.

In Service to You and the Kingdom,
Ciaran and Elis, King and Queen
Alinore Wyndover, Seneschal
Bayard the Turner, Exchequer
Berenice Calvina, Minister of Arts and Sciences
Vladimir Radescu, Earl Marshal
Xanthippe Botaneiatissa, Chronicler
Katerinka Lvovicha, Polaris Herald

LETTER ON REOPENING FROM THE BARONIAL SENESCHAL FOR SEPT.-JAN. 31, 2021

Hey all,

Things continue to look like it is best to not meet in person and with the announcement that the SCA cannot officially meet until February 2021, I have made the decision to not meet in person through the end of the year. I still feel that we are not ready or suited space wise to meet yet in person for social gathering, dance, or bardic at this time. We have Zoom and the Baroness has been so kind to allow us to meet on her account every Wednesday. If you would like to meet for a more specialized meet or do a themed Wednesday, please ask. I know it is hard but we need to be vigilant to keep us all safe. I want to see every one of your faces when we can meet again. Any questions, please contact me at seneschal@nordskgen.org or at Tif Puderbaugh on Facebook Messenger.

YIS, Lady Liadan inghean Cheallaigh, Seneschal



A MISSIVE FROM OUR BARON AND BARONESS

Unto the good folk of Nordskogen, Blachemere, and Nordleigh, greetings!

It is well and truly winter now, usually the best time for flakes! We may not be able to gather in person, but we hope you are all finding ways to pursue your SCA goals while we bide our time until we can gather again.

Our distanced Toys for Tots tourney runs until December 12! You can donate toys in person or money online; to participate, just choose your team(s) and send proof of your donation (a screenshot of the receipt or selfie at the donation point) to nordskogentfort@gmail.com. Find more information above in the Quill.

On January 9 we will hold a Twelfth(ish) Night Baronial court (on Zoom), and rumor has it that Their Royal Majesties will have business to conduct as well. Keep an eye on the Quill and the usual online channels for further details.

As the year darkens and turns toward its end, we ask that you all take extra care, of yourselves and of each other. It's cold, it's dark; the plague hems us in, and worry gnaws. Many of us are essential workers, with all that entails. We ask you all, please, to take a few minutes this month to connect with the Barony or reach out to each other. The weekly Zoom continues (with the exception of 12/23), and we can arrange interest group meetups on request. Try out the Northshield Discord, or even just call a friend. Though separated, we can hold fast together against the dark.

Whatever your celebrations at the end of the year, we wish you joy, light, and peace.

*Yours in service,
Caoilfhionn and Gabriel, Baroness and Baron of Nordskogen*



WEEKLY ONLINE WEDNESDAY MEETING LINK AND SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER. 2020
IN PERSON MEETINGS CANCELLED THROUGH DECEMBER 31

[Nordskogen Wednesday Night Online, Wednesdays, 7-8:30 pm](#)

Join us for an online gathering while our usual Wednesday SCA social time is on hold. We will be gathered in a Zoom Meeting. The invitation will be posted in a pinned post in the Facebook discussion at the link above each week. Please remember that you are muted when you join in. Video is encouraged but not required. Drop in and out as you wish.

12/02:	Socializing & announcements
12/09:	Socializing & announcements
12/16:	Business meeting at 7:30 pm, socializing & announcements
12/23:	MEETING CANCELLED
12/30:	Socializing & announcements

OTHER WEEKLY MEETINGS AND SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

For more information on these meetings, see the current version of our weekly newsletter, the Nib, at this [link](#).

NOTES FROM THE NORDSKOGEN BUSINESS MEETING, NOVEMBER 18, 2020

Lady Líadan inghean Cheallaigh (Tiffany Puderbaugh) presiding
Baroness Rosanore of Redthorn, O.L. (Susan Guthmann Henry) recording
15 in attendance

Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm.

Officers' Reports

Their Excellencies Baroness Caoilfhionn and Baron Gabriel: Not present. Emailed a report.

SUN last weekend was informative and fun! We saw teachers from the Barony and both cantons, as well as volunteers working behind the scenes, and for an informative and fun event. Thank you all for supporting the event, its host Castel Rouge, and the Kingdom! There will be no Wednesday Night Online the week of Thanksgiving (11/25) or Christmas (12/23).

On Friday, December 18, we hope to “host” a virtual concert by SCA performer Heather Dale. We’re still working out the details, so watch for more news soon. No one has expressed interest in Twelfth Night online event activities beyond court on January 9, so we’ll be keeping it simple. Be sure to check out Castel Rouge’s Virtu-L 12th Night the following weekend: they have an interesting distanced feast idea! Please send in award recommendations as soon as possible if you have them! We’re sorry to have missed you tonight. Until two weeks from now!

Lady Líadan inghean Cheallaigh: Nothing to report.

Exchequer and Financial Report from THL Lewke verch Gwilim, called Lucky:

Starting balance:	\$ 19,969.99
Income:	\$ 600.17
Expenditures:	\$ 268.00
Ending balance:	\$ 20,302.16
Balance Change:	\$ 332.17
 Donations for the year 2020:	 \$ 1145.11

Thank you, donors! If you would like to continue to donate during this distanced SCA time and help us to stay financially strong for when we eventually reopen, send a check by mail to Erin Ahlstrom, 2964 Patton Road, Roseville, MN 55113. Checks should be made out to: SCA, Inc.—Barony of Nordskogen. There will be a financial committee meeting in a break-out room after the business meeting.

Chronicler, Dame Rosanore of Redthorn: All is ok. Quill will be published Tuesday, Dec. 1. Soft deadline is Fri., Nov. 27. The hard deadline is Monday, Nov. 30.

notes from the nordskogen business meeting, november 18, 2020 (con.)

Herald, Lord Irial Féasruadh ó hIarnáin: Not present. Nothing to report.

Minister of Arts and Sciences, Lady Helena the Quiet: Lady Neave inghean Domhnaill: Nothing to report. Many folks went to SUN last weekend and hope everyone had fun.

Knight's Marshal, Sir Helgi Moosebane: Not present. Nothing to report.

Boffer Captain, Lord Tribaldi de Gritti: Not present. Nothing to report.

Rapier Captain, THL Sven Asvaldarson: Not present. Nothing to report.

Chatelaine, Lady Jelena (YAY-len-ah) di Paganía: On leave of absence for the next three months.

Archery Captain, Meistari Sefa Farmansdóttir: Had one practice since last business meeting. Done until spring even if it gets nice again because holding a practice will probably be against the current Covid-19 rules. Still looking for a replacement and will be stepping down at end of December even if no replacement has come forward.

Thrown Weapons Captain, Comtesse Guenievre du Dragon Vert: Not present. It was reported that one practice was held since last business meeting. 9 people were there: The hosts (THL Muirenn ingen Fhairchellaig and Lord Lachlann del Glen), Comtesse Guenievre du Dragon Vert, Baron Bazyli Boleslaw z Krakowa, Sir Lars Wolfsblut, three of Sir Lars' children, and Comtesse Guenievre's niece. 8 people actually threw. Practices are suspended until spring.

Clerk of Precedence, Lady Cynthia the Innocent: Not present. Nothing to report.

Signet, THL Amary Fairamay: Nothing to report.

Quartermaster, Baroness Kateryn of Roseberry Topping, called Khadijah: Not present.

Webminister and Social Media Officer, Lady Coelwen ingen Adaim: Webminister: Website is all up to date. Have a new pin for tech support! Social Media Officer: Kingdom policy complete and is in the hands of the Stallari. May go back and forth before made official. Barony needs to own all of the Facebook pages now. Anyone who is an Admin. needs to be an warranted officer.

Equestrian, THL Masina Vitus: Practice was held two weekends ago. There were four riders plus two teachers. THL O'No Kagemori was shooting archery on his second ride! Everyone did well. Due to current state Covid-19 guidelines, there will be no practice until further notice.

Old Business

Vote of confidence was held for Baron Bazyli Boleslaw z Krakowa to become our new Knight Marshall.

Meeting adjourned at 7:59 pm.

NOVEMBER (Q4) FINANCIAL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES (11/18/20)

Present: Lewke, Liadan, Anne, Wolfstanus, Neave, Sefa
Quorum was present. Meeting called to order.

Old Business

- No updates on meeting space search. (Lewke)

New Business

- Budget proposal for 2021 (Lewke). Motion to pass as submitted was made by Neave, seconded by Anne. Motion passed unanimously.
- Notice of sending \$600 to Kingdom from Tee Shirt sales from WW per February meeting (Lewke)

With no further business, meeting was adjourned without objection.

A LIST OF ONLINE SCA GATHERINGS IN THE TIME OF COVID-19

*--Facebook Group All times are Central Time unless otherwise noted. An updated version of this list can be found at the link above.

Nordskogen

*[Nordskogen Wednesday Night Online, Wednesdays, 7-8:30 pm](#) **[Business meeting Dec. 16 at 7:30 pm](#)**

MEETING IS CANCELLED DECEMBER 23, 2020

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Baronial Twelfth Night Court, Saturday, January 9, 2021

[Nordskogen Channel on Northshield Unofficial Discord Server](#)

Nordleigh

Canton of Nordleigh's Online November/December 2020 Business Meeting and Social

Nordleigh's next business meeting and social will be held on Thursday, December 10, from 7:00-8:00 pm. This will be an online event using Zoom. For more information, contact the Seneschal, Lady Gisela, at: lisajclaycomb@gmail.com

Northshield Activities, Classes and Events

*[Fencer's Tavern](#) Zoom Meeting, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, 7:30pm, starting Wed., June 10
Wednesdays: 7-7:30pm, session of called footwork, calisthenics, and various drills.
<https://zoom.us/j/99320237126> Meeting ID: 993 2023 7126

[Northshield Unofficial Discord Server](#)

That's a Beautiful Event – The Perfumery, Beauty Care and Adornment Virtual Symposium

Virtual event (Zoom platform): 12/4/2020--12/6/2020

Northshield Royal Activities, Courts, and Events

[Ethereal Q&A With Their Majesties, May 8, 2020](#)

*[Their Royal Majesties of Northshield's Facebook Page](#)

Future Ethereal Northshield Courts

Send in award recommendations!

Boar's Head Court (*This Little Piggie Stayed Home*), Saturday, December 5, 2020, 7pm

Court for *The Elevation of Eyja Bassadóttir to the Order of the Laurel* will be held on Sun., Dec. 20, 2020, at 7pm

Virtu -L Twelfth Night Court, Saturday, January 16, 2021

All courts will be broadcast on:

Kingdom Official FB Page: <https://www.facebook.com/SCANorthshield/>

Kingdom YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCU3tGV18QKVnunc1qxxMMDw>

Past Ethereal Northshield Courts

[Northshield Ethereal Royal Court, April 4, 2020](#)

[Northshield Ethereal Coronation, April 18, 2020](#)

[Northshield Ethereal Royal Court, May 9, 2020](#)

[Northshield Ethereal Royal Court \(Schützenfest and Mermaids Retreat\), May 29, 2020](#)

[Northshield Ethereal Royal Court \(Border Skirmish, Castle Fever, Castel Rouge 50th\), June 13, 2020](#)

[Northshield Ethereal Royal Court \(Mimisbrunnr\), June 27, 2020](#)

[Northshield Ethereal Royal Court \(WW\), July 11, 2020](#)

[Northshield Ethereal Royal Court \(All Garbed Up and Nowhere To Go\), Aug. 22, 2020](#)

[Northshield Ethereal Royal Court \(Venturing Forth\), September 26, 2020](#)

[Northshield Ethereal Royal Court \(It's the GREAT Nordfest, Charlie Brúnn\), October 24, 2020](#)

[Northshield Ethereal Royal Court \(SUN Court\), Saturday, November 14, 2020](#)

Greater SCA

General Lists of Events and Classes

[Countess Jehanette's Unofficial Calendar of SCA Classes, Videos, and Streams](#)

[Dahrien's List of Online Bardic Circles](#)

[Known World Entertainment Guide—Google Spreadsheet](#)

*[Known World Entertainment Guide—Visual Guides on Facebook](#)

[#SCAatHome Highlights 11, June 19, 2020](#)

[SCA Classes On YouTube](#) (List maintained by Countess Jehanette)

A LIST OF ONLINE SCA GATHERINGS IN THE TIME OF COVID-19 (con.)

*--Facebook Group All times are Central Time unless otherwise noted. An updated version of this list can be found at the link above.

Greater SCA (con.)

Kingdom Specific Lists of Events and Classes

An Tir Online Events

East Kingdom Master List of Online A&S Webinars

Virtual Atlantia

Individual Events--Ongoing

ARTemisia Virtual University

Drachenwald Try-athlon Challenge

Interkingdom Bardic Showcase, a [post] Pennsic tradition, 2020 Edition, Now on YouTube

*The Honorable Clover Need some SCA, but can't make it to an event? Come hang out with us!

Knowne World Bardcast

*Royal University of the Midrealm (RUM) Goes Online

SCA Board of Directors October 25, 2020 Meeting Now Available on YouTube

*SCA Online Virtual Bardic Night

They meet via Skype once a month: on the second Sat. during fall/winter/spring and on Thurs. during the summer.

SCA State of the World Chat April 2020

SCA Topical Town Hall Sessions

*SCA Virtual Classroom and Artisan Display

Individual Events—One Offs

SCA Individuals

Dahrien's Online Bardic Circles via Zoom

Meeting ID: **850-6206-6750**

Passcode: 1 (yes, just that single digit)

Join in browser or installed Zoom app/program:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85062066750>

Join by Skype for Business: <https://us02web.zoom.us/skype/85062066750>

The next bardic circle will be: Sunday, 12/6/20, Noon Central Time (official start).

[Sometimes he opens things early, though.] **End:** When his last bardic playmate leaves him.

Magistrissa Anna Dokeianina Syrakousina/Angela Costello-Perrone Moves Into The Digital World

GENERAL NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nordskogen Archery Captain Is Stepping Down At The End of December And Seeks A Successor

Our Archery Captain, Meistari Sefa Farmansdóttir, **will be stepping down at the end of December 2020** and she is seeking a successor. If you are interested in applying for this position and have any questions, please contact [Meistari Sefa](#). Your letter of interest is due to our [Seneschal](#). Please cc [Meistari Sefa](#) 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.

Nordskogen Has A New Knight Marshal!

Baron Bazyli Boleslaw z Krakowa has been confirmed as Nordskogen's new Knight Marshal! Thanks to Baron Bazyli for stepping up and to Sir Helgi Moosebane for his service.

Eyja Bassadóttir's Elevation to the Order of the Laurel

Eyja will be elevated to the noble Order of the Laurel in an Ethereal Court on Sun., Dec. 20, at 7 p.m.

That's A Beautiful Event Virtual Symposium, Fri., Dec. 4—Sun., Dec. 6, 2020

December is a dark and gloomy month, and celebration of beauty and fragrances should add some sparkles and joy. Therefore we propose a new virtual event, 'That's a Beautiful Event' - The Perfumery, Beauty Care and Adornment Virtual Symposium, to fill the gap and lighten the mood. Please come and join us in sharing our knowledge on beauty care, fragrances, and adornments throughout the human history. We will have classes, discussions, and a meeting room for everyone to socialize (open on Zoom platform for the duration of the symposium). No preregistration is required for attending and no fees. Event steward: Dúgū Jinán (Kasia Gromek); kagromek@hotmail.com

GENERAL NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (con.)

The Queen of Doom's Prize

Please join us at <https://eithni.com/artsofDOOM/> for this virtual celebration of the Arts and Sciences! The Kingdom of Northshield will be hosting an online Queen's Prize Tourney in place of the postponed Kingdom Arts & Sciences Competition. The entries and voting will largely take place on Facebook but details, documentation, and some non-Facebook user content may be found on the event website.

Entries will be accepted starting January 25, 2021.

There will be several categories, with various judges, including a populous prize.

Voting on entries will end at 9 PM on Sunday, February 7, 2021

Winners of the official Kingdom sponsored categories will be announced at court on Saturday, February 13, 2021.

Categories for entries:

Entrants must be from Northshield except for the All Geeks Welcome category.

- **SCA Life** – Have you made something awesome to improve your life in the Current Middle Ages? This could be a cooler masquerading as a sea chest or a banner to enhance the beauty of your campsite.
- **Performing Arts** – Post a video of you performing a song, dance, story, or other nerdy pursuit that is better captured in film than in still images.
- **Martial Arts** – Use these seasons of enforced peace to spruce up your kit! This category is open to any entry that can be used in any of the martial activities.
- **Extreme Documentation** – There's never enough time at an A&S Competition to have people read your 98 page opus... Here's your chance! Enter an item along with as much documentation as your heart desires!
- **Pandemic Prowess** – Entries must either be the result of a skill you learned through distance learning (Zoom or YouTube classes) during the pandemic or using only items that were in your stash at the beginning of the pandemic. Please link to the class and/or tag the teacher.
- **Show Us Your Stuff** – Any entry that does not fit one of the above categories is welcome! Perfect.
- **All Geeks Welcome** – This category is for our friends from across the Known World who may want to join us! We want to see what fabulous things you are up to while we can't travel to see you!

The following prizes will be awarded:

- **Queens Prize** – The Queen of Doom will select her favorite entry from each category above
- **Kings Awesome Award** – His Majesty will select his favorite overall entry
- **Kingdom MOAS Prize** – The KMOAS will select her favorite overall entry
- **Populace Choice** – The winner will be chosen based on the entry with the greatest number of likes on the primary image
- **Each Entry Category** will have a winner chosen by TRM and a committee
 - **SCA Life** – Prize sponsored by the Pelicans of Northshield – coordinated by Eithni – \$50 gift certificate to the SCA merchant or reenactment good merchant of your choice.
 - **Performing Arts** – Prize sponsored by Kudrun the Pilgrim – TBA
 - **Martial Arts** – Prize sponsored by the Knights of Northshield – coordinated by Sir Ajax – Something martial related the winner needs
 - **Extreme Documentation** – Prize sponsored by Eithni ingen Talorgain – assistance finding and purchasing a desired research book (up to \$50)
 - **Pandemic Prowess** – Prize sponsored by the MoDs of Northshield – coordinated by Baron Robert Talbot – \$100 gift certificate for Fabrics-store.com
 - **Show us Your Stuff** – Prize sponsored by the Laurels of Northshield – coordinated by Eithni – \$125 to the materials or book vendor of your choice AND assistance from the members of the Order if you need help sourcing the material/book of your dreams!
 - **All Geeks Welcome** – Prize sponsored by The Royal Peers of Northshield – coordinated by Duchess AEthelflaed – TBA

Patrons:

Not into the Arts and Sciences yourself? Or do you have a type of art you would especially like to encourage? Sign up to be a Patron! Patrons will offer a prize in a category of their choosing using criteria of their own devising. Patron prizes will be announced on the event web page but may not be announced in court. See Full Patron Rules below. For a full listing of the Patron Challenges, go to the website.

Rules for Entrants:

1. Registration will open on January 25, 2021.
2. Entries must have been completed in the year since the last Northshield Kingdom Arts & Sciences Competition (defined as March 1, 2020 – February 7, 2021).
3. All entries must be suitable for posting on an official SCA web presence.
4. All entrants must be from Northshield unless they are entering the "All Geeks Welcome" category.
5. Documentation is welcome but not required for any category except "Extreme Documentation."
6. There will be a release form available soon that all entrants must agree to and complete.
7. Photos of entries should be posted in the Facebook group on or after January 25, 2021.
8. If you do not use Facebook, have difficulty completing the release form, or otherwise have some issue but would still like to participate, please contact Eithni for alternative options. Watch this space for her contact link.
9. Voting on entries for the "Populace Choice" will close at 9 PM on Sunday, February 7, 2021.

Rules for Patrons:

1. There will be a mandatory sign-up form for patrons available soon - it is under construction.
2. Patrons may be from Northshield or any Kingdom of the Known World.
3. Patrons will be responsible for creating their own challenges and criteria to determine the winner(s) of their challenge.
4. Patrons should contact Eithni with their chosen winner between 9 PM Sunday, February 7 and 9 PM Tuesday, February 9, 2021.
5. Patrons will make private arrangements with their chosen winner to deliver the prize.

GENERAL NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (con.)

Donations to the Barony

Thank you, donors! If you would like to continue to donate during distanced SCA time and help us to stay financially strong for when we eventually reopen, send a check by mail to: Erin Ahlstrom, 2964 Patton Road, Roseville, MN 55113. Checks should be made out to: SCA, Inc.—Barony of Nordskogen.

From the Corporate Headquarters of the SCA—Establishment of the Membership Assistance Fund

In 2020, we are seeing the impact of the pandemic seriously affecting our members and their families. To help where we can, our community suggested the Society set up a donation fund to support those participants who may be unable to continue their memberships. You spoke and we listened.

The purpose of the “Membership Assistance Fund” is to allow the members of our community to request assistance directly from our Corporate Office for new memberships and renewals.

To submit a request, please follow the instructions in the [letter from the Membership Office](#). SCA Membership forms are available on our [Document Library page](#). Form Requests will be processed as funds allow. All requests will be treated confidentially.

To make a donation: Due to our not-for-profit status, we need your donations to make this fund work. All donations designated ‘Membership Assistance Fund’ will be used for that purpose and that purpose only. You can donate online to the fund [here](#) or you can mail your donation to Membership Assistance Fund, SCA Inc., P.O. Box 360789, Milpitas, CA, 95036-0789.

For more information, please email membership@sca.org.

Fencer's Tavern, Zoom Meeting, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, 7:30 pm

Wednesdays: 7-7:30pm, session of called footwork, calisthenics, and various drills.

<https://zoom.us/j/99320237126>

Meeting ID: 993 2023 7126

Greetings!

This is an invitation, to all fencers and their supporters, to stop by this *humble* waystation, built by weary travelers just like yourself. Swashbucklers, soldiers, Queen’s men (& non-men), duelists, rogues, and even the occasional German, can find a moment of conversation and good company, in our Fencer’s Tavern.

How does it work?

Starting Wed., June 10, every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, the Tavern opens its doors at 7:30pm. At this time, the common room is open to all, fencers, and supporters alike. You may not always see the elusive barkeep/host, but the doors will be open to any who might wander in.

Workout Wednesdays

Since travel has been much reduced in our kingdom, followers of the blade may find they need some help in oiling their rusty parts. Every Wednesday, at 7:00pm, the barkeep/host will hold a 30-minute session of called footwork, calisthenics, and various drills, for any interested parties. No, you do not need your video on to participate.

Mondays and Fridays

Normally the Tavern is closed. However, if any enterprising folk have reached out to the barkeep/host for the keys, a learning or discussion session may be hosted. These sessions can be either public or by invitation only, at the discretion of the holder of the keys, Lady Heliseus Morte d'Arbor ([Stefanie A. Steele](#)).

Online Open A&S Social in Meridies with Mistress Ellen DeLacey

Please note that this is a social gathering as much as it is an A&S thing and is mainly meant for the folks of Meridies, though visitors are welcome. It happens weekly on Tuesdays from 5PM-Midnight (Central time). A new link is posted each Tuesday and may be found on the [Kingdom of Meridies Facebook Group page](#). Zoombomb protection is in place, and anyone whose name Mistress Ellen does not recognize must show themselves on camera before they can gain admission to the Social in the breakout room. Baroness Rosanore will be trying to remember to put the link up on the [Nordskogen Facebook Group](#)

October 25, 2020 SCA Board of Directors Meeting Now Available on YouTube

The Board of Directors Meeting for October 25, 2020, video is now available on our SCA YouTube channel.

For more info please [click here!](#)

2020 SCA Census Results: The 2020 SCA Census results are now available at this link: <https://www.sca.org/news/2020-sca-census-results/>

GENERAL NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (con.)

Northshield Kingdom Advocates

I am pleased to announce the creation of Kingdom Advocates. In Northshield, we strive to build a close-knit, respectful, inclusive community, and while we recognize that conflicts occasionally occur, we can often find ways to work through them constructively. To support this goal, I have created the Advocate Office to provide a network of community volunteers with diverse backgrounds and a willingness to provide policy education and support through unbiased conversation and coaching.

I am happy to introduce you to the Northshield Advocate Team: The Honorable Lady Kate de Mallow, Lady Audrey Cross, and Sir Taion Orbanus.

THL Kate de Mallow likes making weird things. She enjoys encouraging others to find their passions.

Lady Audrey Cross, called Stabby, joined the SCA almost a decade ago because she was offered swords. She has since discovered many other passions in the Society, including garb-making and helping others find their geek.

Sir Taion Orbanus is a Knight of Northshield and is sometimes known as a Gnome. He has been playing since last century.

Advocates are not formal investigators; their focus will be on finding functional resolution through supporting improved communication, assisting the populace with understanding policies and best practices, identifying trends and opportunities for improvement of systemic issues, and connecting members with additional resources as needed. Advocates can also assist complainants with submitting an official report, if it is determined that further investigation may be needed. As we learn more about the challenges facing our members and as the needs of the community evolve, the resources offered by Advocates may be expanded to address those needs. If you have questions, or would like to engage the Advocate Office for support, please visit <http://nsproceduresandreporting.weebly.com/> or email the Advocacy Team at advocate@northshield.org.

Thank you, Alinore, Northshield Kingdom Seneschal

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