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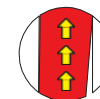
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UPDATED RESOLUTION TO SUSPEND IN-PERSON SCA ACTIVITY—NOW THRU MAY 31, 2121

Greetings:

At the end of July, the Board of Directors issued a proclamation suspending most in- person SCA activities in North America until January 31, 2021, due to the COVID-19 global pandemic. In November, we asked the Kingdom Seneschals and Crowns of the known world to give us their counsel on how to proceed in the first part of 2021. We received very thoughtful responses from nearly all Crowns and Kingdom Seneschals as well as many other concerned people. We wish to thank everyone who responded for taking the time to do so, and for putting such effort into your responses.

After reading and discussing the feedback received, the Board decided at their conference call meeting on 12/01/2020 to continue the suspension of in-person activities in North America through May 31, 2021. That action reads as follows:

Motion by Ross Rougher to extend the *Resolution to Suspend In-Person SCA Activity until January 31, 2021*, originally issued by the Board of Directors on July 28, 2020, for a period of four (4) months, until May 31, 2021. Second by Gigi Coulson. Opposed: none. Absent: Jennifer Krochmal. Motion carried.

The original document can be found here:

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

While there is good news on the horizon regarding effective vaccines and other ways to treat and manage COVID, implementation of those treatments is still in the future. The current situation shows that infection rates are continuing to increase in many places throughout North America. The most important concern at this time must be the safety of all participants.

Please remember that federal, state, provincial, and local health directives and guidelines must continue to be followed whenever Kingdoms decide to authorize smaller local in- person meetings and local fighter practices. These local activities remain under the discretion of the Crown and Kingdom Seneschal. Kingdom Earl Marshals are welcome to give advice to the Crowns and Kingdom Seneschals when approving local practices.

Virtual events, as have been happening in many kingdoms, are of course allowed, and encouraged to continue. If a Kingdom believes that the circumstances in their area allow for an in-person event, beyond approved local practices and meetings, to be held safely before May 31, 2021, the Crown and Kingdom Seneschal are welcome to discuss a variance with the Society Seneschal.

Such variances for events beyond local practices and meetings will be considered, but please keep in mind that limits on participants, mask requirements, local government approval, insurance questions, vaccine availability, and actual conditions regarding the epidemic in the Kingdom requesting the variance are all important issues that will be considered and discussed for any requested variances prior to the May 31, 2021 date.

Further, as stated in the original *Resolution*, if a Crown or Coronet feels the need to step down without heirs, a regent may be installed according to the laws of the kingdom or principality. If those laws are not adequate for the situation, the kingdom is invited to work with the Society Seneschal to create a solution that will be in the best interests of the kingdom or principality.

Live events and personal interactions are a large part of the way the Society has continued over the last fifty-plus years. These restrictions on live events in the SCA are painful, but the state of the world, and the well-being of everyone involved, currently require we be as careful as possible.

It does look like there will be vaccines available soon and once the epidemic is under some semblance of control, we can have live events again and celebrate all our interests and community safely.

If there are any questions, or further concerns or comments, please send them to us.

Lis Schraer
Society Seneschal
Seneschal@sca.org

or

John Fulton
Society President
President@sca.org

If you would prefer to send something directly to the Board as a whole that can be done using sca-comments@lists.sca.org. You may also contact your Kingdom's Board Ombudsman. The list of the Board members and the Kingdoms each represents can be found here: <https://www.sca.org/about/officers/#board>.

In service, respect, and the sincere desire to see everyone safely again, John and Lis

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



A MISSIVE FROM OUR BARON AND BARONESS

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

Could it be? Are the first tendrils of northern spring creeping through our lands? We certainly hope so--despite the flakes in our heraldry, we are looking forward to warmer days.

While SCA activities are still limited by weather as well as pandemic precautions, we are still in need of volunteers to keep our barony running. We especially need applicants for the role of Archery Captain, currently unfilled, so that we may resume distanced practices once the weather warms up. Remember, you don't need to be an archery marshal to be the Captain, although it would make it easier to become an MIT. Our Chatelaine is also seeking a replacement--this person welcomes newcomers and helps them get oriented to eSCA and eventually in-person events. Look to other parts of the Quill for the full job postings.

It was an absolute joy to see so many of our artisans participating in the Queen of Doom's Arts & Sciences Prize Tournament! Congratulations to all who entered, sponsored challenges, commented and voted on the many excellent entries, and otherwise encouraged the arts in our talented kingdom.

Remember that our Wednesday meeting site, the Geek Partnership Society, has an ongoing fundraiser to maintain its facilities while the events that usually fund it are on hold. If you can, consider a donation so that our meeting space is still there when in-person Wednesdays resume: <https://charity.gofundme.com/o/en/campaign/savegps>.

Gulf Wars has been delayed this year but watch for special activities the third week of March. Castel Route is hosting a MegaZoom on Wednesday, March 17, and other plans are in the works as well. We hope to see you there! (Even if you don't like using Zoom, the larger gatherings are a great time to pop in for a few minutes to see everyone.)

And on March 13, Svaty Sebesta is hosting an afternoon online event, Newcomer's Point: SCA 101. If you're new, come ask all your questions and connect with new friends! If you're not new, consider dropping in to visit and answer questions!

Yours in service to Barony and Kingdom,

Caoilfhionn and Gabriel, Baroness and Baron of Nordskogen



WEEKLY ONLINE WEDNESDAY MEETING LINK AND SCHEDULE FOR MARCH 2021
IN-PERSON MEETINGS CANCELLED THROUGH MAY 31, 2021

[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.

- 03/03:** Socializing & announcements
- 03/10:** Socializing & announcements plus **business meeting at 7:30 pm**
- 03/17:** Northshield Baronial MegaZoom!
- 03/24:** 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, FEBRUARY 17, 2021

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

Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm.

Officers' Reports

Their Excellencies Baroness Caoilfhionn and Baron Gabriel: Court and events last weekend. Nordskogen did well! Our Baroness was put on vigil for Laurel. Other award recipients: Lady Isabella Tinker: Black Flame; Her Excellency Gwenllian verch Rhys de Goer: Hand of Tyr; Lord Farolfus filius Richardi: Pyxis. Also, many Barony folks won prizes at the Queen's Prize! Northshield Baronial MegaZoom on Mar. 17 which conflicts with business meeting. Castel Rouge will host. Will discuss under New Business whether or not to reschedule the business meeting. Special Gulf Wars themed activities for the MegaZoom: tell the Baroness and she'll pass it on.

Lady LÍadan inghean Cheallaigh, Seneschal: Leaving this week for W. Va. until May. Will be staying in touch virtually.

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

Starting balance:	\$ 19,634.50
Income:	\$.16
Expenditures:	\$ 134.00
Ending balance:	\$ 19,500.66
Balance change:	\$ (133.84)

Donations for the year 2021 to date: \$0

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.

notes from the nordskogen business meeting, february 17, 2021 (con.)

Exchequer and Financial Report from THL Lewke verch Gwilim, called Lucky (con.): GPS has a GoFundMe! Those who are concerned about the future of our meeting space (which has only raised half of its \$40,000 goal in seven months, and that due to a grant they won) can consider donating personally to <https://charity.gofundme.com/o/en/campaign/savegps>

We're looking at other options for meeting spaces for when this dark period has passed—and it will someday pass. If you have an option we can explore in your community, drop me a line at exchequer@nordskogen.org

There will be a VERY short financial committee meeting tonight, following the business meeting.

Chronicler, Dame Rosanore of Redthorn: All is ok. Quill will be published Monday, Mar. 1. Soft deadline is Wednesday, February 24. The hard deadline is Sunday, February 28.

Herald, Lord Irial Féasruadh ó hIarnáin: Unable to attend; nothing to report.

Minister of Arts and Sciences, Lady Helena the Quiet: Lady Neave inghean Domhnaill: Helena is working. Queen's Prize was fun! Great idea to have another A&S show and tell. Special challenge: pictures of your pet being "helpful"? Details to follow. No A&S equipment currently in storage at GPS. No injuries to report.

Knight's Marshal, Baron Bazyli Boleslaw z Krakowa: No injuries to report. Nothing else to report.

Boffer Captain, Lord Tribaldi de Gritti: Not present. No group practices happening.

Rapier Captain, THL Sven Asvaldaron: Not present. No injuries to report. No group practices happening. Still have some rapier equipment at GPS which needs to be moved from there.

Chatelaine, Lady Jelena (YAY-len-ah) di Paganía: Received a couple of emails from folks new to the Barony. Stepping down, effective as soon as possible. Will help during transition. (May be moving away.)

Archery Captain, Meistari Sefa Farmansdóttir: Stepped down December 31, 2020 and still looking for a successor.
Candidate can be an MIT but then there will need to be a marshall in attendance.

Thrown Weapons Captain, Comtesse Guenievre du Dragon Vert: Not present. No group practices happening until it's warm again.

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

Signet, THL Amary Fairamay: Many things that need to be delivered, waiting for better weather and a few signatures. Hoping to take care of the backlog of deliveries in the next couple of weeks. Blanks (just the illumination, no words) would be appreciated! Contact Amary at: signet@nordskogen.org if you are interested. Glad to point folks in the direction of resources and can also do trouble shooting for you.

Quartermaster, Baroness Kateryn of Roseberry Topping, called Khadijah: Not present. No updates.

Webminister and Social Media Officer, Lady Coelwen ingen Adaim: Website: Intact and working. Social Media Officer (SMO): On version four of the policy. All SMO's must be warranted. Don't put unofficial stuff on official SCA pages. Bullying policy has been updated and can now be posted in Zoom chat rooms.

Equestrian, THL Masina Vitus: Nothing new happening.

notes from the nordskogen business meeting, february 17, 2021 (con.)

New Business

Rescheduling March business meeting

Tentatively rescheduling March business meeting to the second week of March which would be March 10. Put it in the Nib for the 10th; update further if that turns out to be necessary.

Seeking New Chatelaine

Deadline by April business meeting where candidate(s) will be available for interview; vote at May business meeting. Will confirm if our interim Chatelaine, Solveig, is willing to continue being the interim! Thanks to Jelena!!!!

Announcements

Happy birthday to our Seneschal!

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 pm.

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](#)

[Next business meeting is Wednesday, March 10, one week early](#)

[Next Northshield Baronial MegaZoom is Wednesday, March 17](#)

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 meeting invitation will be posted in a pinned post in the 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.

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

Northshield Activities, Classes and Events

Baronial MegaZoom, Wednesday, March 17, 2021

[The Chatelaines of NS Present: Newcomer's Point: SCA 101, Saturday, March 13, 2021, 3-5 PM CST](#)

*[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 Activities, Classes and Events (con.)

[Northshield Unofficial Discord Server](#)

[Virtual Service Symposium](#), Saturday, April 17; 8:30am-5:00pm; Entry fee: None;

Event steward: THN Aneira Applegate (Kristen Bird), 608-209-5218, aneira612@gmail.com

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

All courts will be broadcast on:

Send in award recommendations!

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

Kingdom YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCU3tGV18QKVnunclqxxMMDw>

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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](#)

[Northshield Ethereal Royal Court \(Boar's Head Court--*This Little Piggie Stayed Home*\), Saturday, Dec. 5, 2020](#)

[Northshield Ethereal Court \(Elevation of Eyja Bassadóttir to the Order of the Laurel\), Sunday, December 20, 2020](#)

[Northshield Ethereal Royal Court \(Queen's Prize\), Saturday, February 13, 2021](#)

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 Board of Directors Meeting, January 24, 2021 Now Available On YouTube](#)

[SCA Board of Directors Meeting, October 25, 2020 Now Available On YouTube](#)

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

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 Online Virtual Bardic Night](#)

[SCA State of the World Chat April 2020](#)

[SCA Topical Town Hall Sessions](#)

*[SCA Virtual Classroom and Artisan Display](#)

Individual Events—One Offs

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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>

[Magistrissa Anna Dokeianina Syrakousina/Angela Costello-Perrone Moves Into The Digital World](#)

GENERAL NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Baronial Chatelaine Stepping Down As Soon As Possible And Seeks A Successor

Our Chatelaine, Lady Jelena di Pagania, wishes to step down as soon as possible and she is seeking a successor. The chatelaine is the official welcomer of newcomers, online and in person, and also maintains our collection of loaner garb. If you are interested in applying for this position and have any questions, please contact [Lady Jelena](#). Your letter of interest is due to our [Seneschal](#). Please cc [Lady Jelena](#) and our [Baron](#) and [Baroness](#). Please include in your letter what you consider to be your qualifications (mundane and SCA), and why you would like the job, or what you would hope to accomplish. Letters are due by our April 21 business meeting and we plan on voting at the May 19th business meeting.

Baronial Archery Captain Stepped Down At The End of December 2020 And Seeks A Successor

Our Archery Captain, Meistari Sefa Farmansdóttir, **stepped 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 Trim Update

Here is a [link](#) to an image of the trim.

We have received word that the trim will arrive in Los Angeles either March 5 or March 8, and thus to our supplier on approximately March 11 or 12. Our supplier will measure the rolls to maximize efficiency, and then post a link to the order page on the website. We're nearly there! Watch the Baronial Facebook page and email group for updates!

If you would like to order, or if you already signed up and would like to confirm or change your order, please do so at https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1i2Lib-ZwooHM_jtZvaL1l_YKQ7xLhiOsyZC2Vs0YqrM/edit#gid=0

We have reached the bulk order amount that will drop costs to \$2.50/yard!

You can still find full details at <http://nordskogen.org/wp/nordskogen-baronial-trim-update/>

Let us go forth and decorate! Baroness Caoilfhionn baroness@nordskogen.org

Donations to the Barony

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Online Open Social in Meridies with Mistress Ellen DeLacey

This online gathering 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. Look for the link in the [Nordskogen Facebook Group](#) on Tuesdays!

The Chatelaines of Northshield Present: Newcomer's Point: SCA 101, Saturday, March 13, 2021, 3-5 PM CST

Price: Free Public · Anyone on or off Facebook Hosted by College of Svatý Sebesta (via Zoom*)

Newcomer's Point: SCA 101 is an event for anyone new, newish, or interested in learning more about how to get started in, and the basics, of Northshield and the SCA. This event is open to everyone in the Kingdom and beyond. There will be a social room, breakout rooms for informal chats about the arts & sciences, fight-y stuff, stories, and also mini classes that cover how to utilize online sources and where to find them, finding and taking virtual classes, developing a persona, balancing modern and SCA life, beginning garb (outfits) and advanced if you have questions, and how chatelaines can help you. You are welcome to participate in as little or as many activities as you like. There will also be Q&A time and afterwards, social time for those who want to stay longer and chat.

Here is an optional form to pre-register, you do not need to complete it to attend. It will just help us tailor things more to people's interests: <https://forms.gle/td4rttb6HReMYRUt9>

For more information email: chatelaine@northshield.com

or visit: <https://sites.google.com/view/newcomers-point/home>

*The Zoom link will be posted the morning of the event on the above website and on the Facebook Event Page.

Event Stewards:

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Domina Messiena Marcella nerdsauceg56@gmail.com

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? 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](#)).

GENERAL NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (con.)

Virtual Service Symposium, Saturday, April 1, 8:30am-5:00pm

Entry fee: None; Event steward: THN Aneira Applegate (Kristen Bird), 608-209-5218, aneira612@gmail.com
The Barony of Jararvellir is hosting a Virtual Service Symposium on April 17, 2021 and we are looking for teachers! If you are interested/willing to teach, we would love to have you! This can be on any topic service related! Combat Scribes! Event Planning! Marshalling! Officers! All classes will be taught via Zoom. If you are interested in teaching, please fill out this google form: <https://forms.gle/65hQqeiAENyVSGAs8> Hope to “see” many of you there!

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.

January 24, 2021 SCA Board of Directors Meeting Now Available on YouTube

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

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